

Lattices.

Def. $V = (V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$

= finite dim \mathbb{R} vector space with symm. bilinear form $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$

Ex: $\mathbb{R}^{p,q} = (p+q)$ dim \mathbb{R} -vector space with

$$\langle x, y \rangle = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_p y_p - x_{p+1} y_{p+1} - \dots - x_{p+q} y_{p+q}$$

Def. $v^2 := \langle v, v \rangle$ called the norm of v .

Let $M \subseteq V$ be a \mathbb{Z} -lattice in V , i.e.

M is the \mathbb{Z} -span of a basis of V and $\langle M, M \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$.

$$M(k) := \{ v \in M : v^2 = k \}$$

$M^\vee := \{ v \in V : \langle v, M \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \}$, called the dual lattice.

M is integral if $\langle M, M \rangle \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ i.e. $M \subseteq M^\vee$.

M is self dual if $M = M^\vee$.

M is even if $v^2 \in 2\mathbb{Z} \quad \forall v \in M$.

Ex. Even lattices are integral.

Ex: Let M be an integral lattice in \mathbb{R}^n . Then

$$|M^\vee/M| = \text{vol}(V/M)^2.$$

If M is an even lattice, we'll call $M(2)$, the set of roots of M .

Some important lattices

$$\underline{E}_n: \mathbb{Z}^{n+1}, \quad \text{II}^{p,q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{p,q}, \quad \text{I}^{p,q} = \{x : x_i \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } i\}$$

$$\text{II}_{p,q} = \left\{ x : 2x_i, (x_i - x_j) \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ for all } i, j, \sum_i x_i \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}.$$

Def A (simply laced) root lattice is a + definite even lattice spanned by its roots.

Ex: (of root lattices):

$$A_n = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{Z}^{n+1} : \sum x_i = 0 \right\} \subseteq V = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : \sum x_i = 0 \right\}, \quad n \geq 1$$

$$D_n = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \sum x_i \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n, \quad n \geq 4$$

$$E_8 = \text{II}_{8,0} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^8$$

$$E_7 = \perp \text{ complement of any root in } E_8.$$

$$E_6 = \perp \text{ } \dots \text{ } A_2 \text{ in } E_8.$$

h
n+1
2n-2
30
19
12

Thm 1. The "irreducible" root lattices are A_n, D_n, E_6, E_7, E_8 .

All root lattices are direct sums of these.

Def. The coroot number of an irreducible root lattice Λ is $h = \frac{\Lambda(2)}{2k(\Lambda)}$.

Thm 2. Let M be a self dual lattice of signature (m, n) :

(a) If M is indefinite and odd, then $M \cong I_{m,n}$.

(b) If M is even, then $m - n \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$.

(c) If M is indefinite and even, then $M \cong \text{II}_{m,n}$.

proof: See [Serre].

Remark. By thm 2.b. + definite even dual lattices of dim n .

can exist only for $n = 8, 16, 24, 32, \dots$

n + definite even dual lattices of dim n .

8 There is just one, $\text{II}_{8,0} = E_8$.

16 There are two, $E_8 \perp E_8$, $\text{II}_{16,0}$

* 24 There are 24, of these 23 contain a root lattice of finite index, and the 24th is the Leech lattice which has no roots

32 There are more than 80 million. They have not been classified.

Modular forms: write $e(z) = \exp(2\pi i z)$.

Let $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma = \text{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$; $H^2 = \{x+iy \in \mathbb{C} : y > 0\}$

Define $g \cdot \tau = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}$, and $j(g, \tau) = (c\tau + d)$

Verify. $(g, \tau) \mapsto g \cdot \tau$ is a group action, and $j(g_1 g_2, \tau) = j(g_1, g_2 \tau) j(g_2, \tau)$

Given $f: H^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, define $f|_{2k}^g(\tau) = (c\tau + d)^{-2k} f(g\tau)$.

Verify that $(g, f) \mapsto f|_{2k}^g$ is a group action.

Def. A function $f: H^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a modular function/modular form of wt $2k$ if

(1) $(c\tau + d)^{-2k} f(g\tau) = f|_{2k}^g(\tau) = f(\tau)$ for all $g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma$, $z \in H^2$

(2) " f is meromorphic/holomorphic on $H^2 \cup \{i\infty\}$."

Let us explain the meaning of the 2^{nd} condition.

Let $S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\Gamma = \langle S, T \rangle$.

Note: $S \cdot z = -\frac{1}{z}$, $T \cdot z = (z+1)$. So f satisfies condition (1)

if and only if $f(z+1) = f(z)$ and $f(-1/z) = z^{2k} f(z)$.

Let $f: H^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a meromorphic function such that

$f(z+1) = f(z)$. Then f induces a function $\tilde{f}: D^x \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

such that $H^2 \xrightarrow{e(\cdot)} D^x$ commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \tilde{f} \\ & \searrow f & \swarrow \\ & \mathbb{C} & \end{array}$$

Write $q = e(z)$ Then $\tilde{f}(q) = f(z)$.

Note $e(it) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, so we write $e(i\infty) = 0$.

Say f is meromorphic (resp) holomorphic at $z=i\infty$ if \tilde{f} extends to a meromorphic (resp.) holomorphic function at $q=0$.

Note that if f is meromorphic at $i\infty$, then it has a Laurent series

$$f(z) = \tilde{f}(q) = \sum_{n > -\infty} a_n q^n = \sum_n a_n e(nz).$$

If f is holomorphic at $i\infty$, we write $f(i\infty) = \tilde{f}(0) = a_0$.

Let $M_{2k} =$ space of modular forms of Γ_0 wt $2k$.

$$M_{2k}^0 = \left\{ f \in M_{2k} : f(i\infty) = 0 \right\}.$$

Examples of modular forms.

$$\text{Let } \Gamma_\infty = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} = \left\{ g \in \Gamma : g\infty = \infty \right\}$$

$$\text{Then verify that } \Gamma_\infty \backslash \Gamma = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} * & * \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} : \gcd(c, d) = 1 \right\}.$$

$$\text{Define } E_{2k}(\tau) = \sum_{g \in \Gamma_\infty \backslash \Gamma} |j|_{2k}^g = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{(c,d)=1} (c\tau+d)^{-2k} = \frac{1}{25(2k)} \sum_{(m,n) \neq (0,0)} (m\tau+n)^{-2k}$$

$$\text{where } k = 2, 3, \dots \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s}$$

It is easy to verify that $E_{2k} \in \text{Mod}_{2k}$ and

direct computation yields that E_{2k} has the Fourier series

$$E_{2k}(\tau) = 1 - \frac{4k}{b_{2k}} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{2k-1}(n) q^n.$$

where $\sigma_r(n) = \sum_{d|n} d^r$ and b_{2k} are the Bernoulli #'s.

$$\text{defined by } \frac{t}{e^t - 1} = 1 - \frac{t}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_{2k} \frac{t^{2k}}{2k!}$$

$$\text{In particular } E_4 = (1 + 240q + \dots) \in M_4$$

$$E_6 = (1 - 504q + \dots) \in M_6$$

$$\text{So: } \Delta = (E_4^3 - E_6^2) / 1728 = q + \dots \in M_{12}^0.$$

$$\text{Theorem } \Delta = q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^{24}$$

Basics of modular forms.

Let $p \in (\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H})^2$ = the standard fundamental domain of Γ .

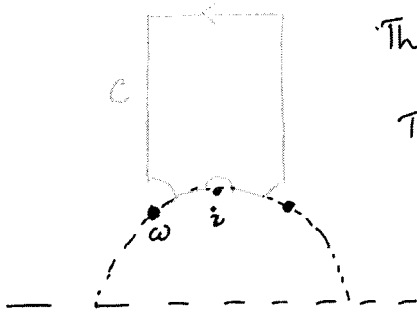
Let $v_p(f)$ = order of vanishing of f at p . ($v_\infty(f) = v_o(\tilde{f})$)

Thm. Let $f \neq 0$ be a modular function of wt $2k$. Then

$$v_\infty(f) + \frac{1}{2} v_i(f) + \frac{1}{3} v_\omega(f) + \sum_{\substack{p \in (\Gamma \backslash \mathbb{H}) \\ p \neq i, \omega}} v_p(f) = \frac{k}{6}. \quad (*)$$

Proof: Assume f has no zero on the contour shown.

Let $\alpha = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'}{f} dz$. Then $\int_C \alpha = \sum_{p \text{ inside } C} v_p(f)$ by residue theorem



The integral on the top horizontal segment give $-v_\infty(f)$

The integrals on the little arcs around $i, \omega, -\bar{\omega}$

give $-\left(\frac{v_i(f)}{2}\right), -\left(\frac{v_\omega(f)}{6}\right), -\left(\frac{v_{-\bar{\omega}}(f)}{6}\right)$

the integrals on the vertical segments cancel out, and

$$f(Sz) = z^{2k} f(z) \Rightarrow \frac{df(Sz)}{f(Sz)} = \frac{2k dz}{z} + \frac{df(z)}{f(z)}$$

$$\text{So } \int_{\omega}^i \alpha + \int_i^{-\bar{\omega}} \alpha = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\omega}^i \frac{df(z)}{f(z)} - \frac{df(Sz)}{f(Sz)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\omega}^i -2k \frac{dz}{z} = \frac{k}{6}. \quad \square$$

Cor. (1) $M_0 = \mathbb{C} \cdot 1, M_0^o = 0, M_2^o$

(2) For $k = 4, 6, 8, 10, M_k = \mathbb{C} E_k, M_k^o = 0.$

(3) For $2k \geq 12, M_{2k-12} \xrightarrow[\cong]{\Delta} M_{2k}^o$

For example $M_{12} = \mathbb{C}E_{12} + \mathbb{C}\Delta$ is 2-dimensional.

pf: For $2k < 0$, $2k = 2$, no way to satisfy (*). So $M_{2k} = 0$

For $E_4 \in M_4$, Only way to satisfy (*) is $v_\omega(E_4) = 1$, $v_p(E_4) = 0$ o.w.

For $E_6 \in M_6$, is. $v_1(E_6) = 1$, $v_p(E_6) = 0$ o.w.

$\Rightarrow \Delta \neq 0$. Also $v_\omega(\Delta) = 1$, So (*) $\Rightarrow v_p(\Delta) = 0 \quad \forall p \neq \omega$.

ie Δ has a simple zero at $i\omega$ and no other zero on H^2 .

So $f \in M_k^0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}f \in M_{k-12}$.

Since $M_{2k} = 0$ for $k < 0$, get $M_k^0 = 0$ for $k = 4, 6, 8, 10$.

So $\dim M_k \leq 1$, and $M_k = \mathbb{C}E_k$.

Cor. $\dim M_{2k} = \begin{cases} \lfloor k/6 \rfloor & \text{if } k \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor k/6 \rfloor + 1 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$

Cor. $\bigoplus_k M_{2k} = \mathbb{C}[E_4, E_6]$.

In particular. $M_{14}^0 \cong M_2 = 0$.

Poisson Summation formula.

$V = f.\text{dim. } \mathbb{R} \text{ vector space. with } + \text{ def. inner product } \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle.$

$dx = \text{normalized measure, vol(cube formed by orthonormal basis)} = 1.$

$M \subseteq V$, integral lattice; $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ Schwarz function.

ie $f \in C^\infty(V, \mathbb{C})$, and $f(x)p(x) \rightarrow 0$ for all polynomial p

Define $\hat{f}(u) = \int_V f(x) \cdot e(-\langle x, u \rangle) dx$ Then

$$\sqrt{|M^V/M|} \sum_{v \in M} f(v) = \sum_{\lambda \in M^V} \hat{f}(\lambda).$$

proof. Define the M -periodic function $F(y) = \sum_{x \in M} f(y+x).$

So $F: V/M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. For each $u \in M^V$, define

$$\chi_u: V/M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^* \text{ by } \chi_u(y) = e(\langle u, y \rangle).$$

$\{\chi_u: u \in M^V\}$ is a basis for the space of smooth functions

on the torus V/M , orthonormal w.r.t the hermitian form

$$(f, g) = \text{vol}(V/M)^{-1} \int_{V/M} f(y) \overline{g(y)} dy$$

We have Fourier series $F(y) = \sum_{u \in M^V} \hat{F}_u \chi_u(y)$

where $\hat{F}_u = (F, \overline{\chi_u})$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{vol}(V/M) \hat{F}_u &= \int_{V/M} \sum_{x \in M} f(y+x) \overline{\chi_u(y)} dy \\ &= \int_V f(y) e(-\langle u, y \rangle) dy = \hat{f}(u). \end{aligned}$$

So $\sum_{x \in \Lambda} f(x) = F(0) = \sum_{u \in M^V} \hat{F}_u = \text{vol}(V/M)^{-1} \sum_{u \in M^V} \hat{f}(u) \quad \square$

Theta functions.

Def. Let Λ be an even lattice of rk n in $V = (V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$.

Define $\theta_\Lambda : \mathbb{H}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by

$$\theta_\Lambda(\tau) = \sum_{x \in \Lambda} e\left(\frac{x^2 \tau}{2}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\Lambda(2n)| \cdot q^n.$$

Thm [θ] If Λ is an even self dual lattice of rk n , then $\theta_\Lambda \in M_{n/2}$.

proof: We need to only show $\theta_\Lambda(-\frac{1}{\tau}) = \tau^{n/2} \theta_\Lambda(\tau)$. $-(*)$

For $t \in (0, \infty)$, define $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ by $f_t(x) = e^{-\pi x^2 t}$. Then $\theta_\Lambda(it) = \sum_{x \in \Lambda} f_t(x)$.

To compute \hat{f} , choose an orthonormal basis to identify $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle) \simeq \mathbb{R}^n$.

In this coord system $x^2 = \sum x_j^2$ and $dx = \prod dx_j$. So

$$f_t(x) = \prod_j \phi_t(x_j) \quad \text{where } \phi_t: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is the function } \phi_t(x) = e^{-\pi x^2 t}$$

One has $\hat{\phi}_t(u) = t^{-1/2} e^{-\pi u^2/t} = t^{-1/2} \phi_{1/t}(u)$. So

$$\hat{f}_t(x) = \prod \hat{\phi}_t(x_j) = \prod t^{-1/2} \phi_{1/t}(u_j) = t^{-n/2} f_{1/t}(u).$$

Since $\Lambda^\vee = \Lambda$, Poisson summation gives

$$\theta(it) = \sum_{u \in \Lambda} \hat{f}_t(u) = \sum_{u \in \Lambda} t^{-n/2} f_{1/t}(u) = t^{-n/2} \theta(1/t).$$

Since $n/2$ is even, $\theta(-\frac{1}{it}) = (it)^{n/2} \theta(it)$, so the two

sides of $(*)$ agree on $\{it : t \in (0, \infty)\}$. Since the two sides are

holomorphic $(*)$ must hold \square

• More on theta functions.

• Ex: Suppose Λ is an even self dual lattice of rank 8.

Then $\theta_{\Lambda}(\tau) = 1 + O(q) \in M_8 = \mathbb{C} \cdot E_4(\tau)$.

$$\Rightarrow \theta_{\Lambda}(\tau) = E_4(\tau) = 1 + 240q + \dots, \dots!$$

So $\Lambda(2)$ is a rank 8 root system of size 240.

This easily implies $\Lambda(2) \cong E_8(2)$; so $\Lambda \cong E_8$!

The eq $\theta_{E_8}(\tau) = E_4(\tau)$, gives us a formula for # of lattice vectors of any length in E_8 .

$$\# \left\{ x \in \mathbb{Z}^8 \cup \left(\frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{Z}\right)^8 : \sum x_i = 0 \pmod{2}, \sum_{i=1}^8 x_i^2 = 2n \right\} = 240 \sigma_3(n).$$

• For our application to $2d^d$ lattices, we need a more general kind of theta function.

Def: For a polynomial $P: V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, write

$$\theta_{\Lambda, P}(\tau) = \sum_{x \in \Lambda} P(x) e\left(\frac{x^2 \tau}{2}\right).$$

Thm [Θ2] Let Λ be an even self dual lattice of rank n . Choose $\alpha \in V$

Define $P_{\alpha}(x) = \langle x, \alpha \rangle^2 - \frac{1}{n} \alpha^2 \cdot x^2$. Then $\theta_{\Lambda, P_{\alpha}}(x) \in M_{\frac{n}{2}+2}^0$

proof: similar to proof of [Θ1] again using Poisson summation.

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Only need Fourier transforms of $x \phi_t(x)$ and $x \phi_t(x)$. \square

Remark: Thm [02] is special case of the following:

If $P : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a spherical polynomial of deg. $\nu, > 0$

(ie. $\sum_j \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j^2} P = 0$), then $\cdot \theta_{\Delta, P}(x) \in M_{-\frac{1}{2} + \nu}^0$.

Indeed, verify that P_α in [02] is a spherical poly of deg 2.

Even self dual lattices of rk 24.

(Ref: Venkov's paper in Conway and Sloanes' book).

From here on, let $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{24}$ be an even self dual lattice of rk 24.

Lemma: Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{24}$. Then $\sum_{y \in \Lambda(2)} (y, \alpha)^2 = \frac{1}{12} \alpha^2 |\Lambda(2)|$.

proof: We have $\theta_{\Lambda, \alpha}(\tau) = \sum_{x \in \Lambda} \left((x, \alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{24} \alpha^2 x^2 \right) q^{x^2/2} \in M_{-14}^0 \simeq M_2^0 = 0$

Equating coeff of q^n , get $\sum_{x \in \Lambda(2n)} \left((x, \alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{24} \alpha^2 x^2 \right) = 0$ □

Cor 1. Either $\Lambda(2) = \emptyset$ or $\text{rk}(\Lambda(2)) = 24$.

proof: If $\text{rk}(\Lambda(2)) < 24$, then choose $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{24} - \{0\}$, such that $\alpha \perp \Lambda(2)$, and then lemma $\Rightarrow |\Lambda(2)| = 0$. □

Cor 2. All irreducible components of the root system $\Lambda(2)$

have the same Coxeter number $h = |\Lambda(2)|/24$.

proof:

Fact: Let M be an irreducible root lattice, and $\alpha \in M(2)$.

Then $\# \{v \in M(2) : \langle v, \alpha \rangle \neq 0\} = 4h(M) - 6$.

Let $\beta(M) = \# \{v \in M(2) : \langle v, \alpha \rangle = 1\}$.

Note that the #'s above do not depend on α since

the reflection group of M acts transitively on $M(2)$.

If $\langle v, \alpha \rangle \neq 0$, then $\langle v, \alpha \rangle = \pm 1$ or $\langle v, \alpha \rangle = \pm 2$

and in the second case $v = \pm \alpha$.

$$\text{So } 4h(M) - 6 = 2 + 2\beta(M), \text{ i.e. } \beta(M) = 2h(M) - 4.$$

Now take $\alpha \in \Lambda(z)$ and let M_α be the irreducible root sublattice of Λ containing α . Then Lemma \Rightarrow

$$\frac{1}{6} |\Lambda(z)| = \sum_{y \in \Lambda(z)} \langle y, \alpha \rangle^2 = \sum_{\substack{y \in M_\alpha(z) \\ \langle y, \alpha \rangle \neq 0}} \langle y, \alpha \rangle^2 = 2 \cdot 2^2 + 3\beta(M_\alpha) \\ = 4h(M_\alpha). \quad \square$$

• root systems of 24 dim even self dual lattices

Thm Let Λ be an even self dual lattice of rk 24. with $\Lambda(2) =$

Then rk $\Lambda(2) = 24$. on each irreducible component of $\Lambda(2)$

has the same coxeter # $h = |\Lambda(2)|/24$.

Cor. The possible rk 24 root systems of Λ are.

$$\phi, A_1^{24}, A_2^{12}, A_3^8, A_4^6, A_6^4, A_8^3, A_{12}^2, A_{24},$$

$$D_4^6, D_6^4, D_8^3, D_{12}^2, D_{24}, E_6^4, E_8^3$$

$$A_5^4 \cdot D_4, A_7^2 \cdot D_5^2, A_9^2 \cdot D_6, A_{15} \cdot D_9,$$

$$E_6 \cdot D_7 \cdot A_{11}, E_7^2 \cdot D_{10}, E_7 \cdot A_{17}, E_8 \cdot D_{16}$$

Thm In each 24 case there is a unique Λ with the root system listed above.!

proof: In case $\Lambda(2) = \phi$, we have the famous Leech lattice.

Let M be one of the 23 nonzero root lattices listed above

Suppose Λ even self dual s.t. $M(2) = \Lambda(2)$. Then

$$\underline{M} \subseteq \Lambda \subseteq \underline{M}^\vee \text{ and } |\Lambda/\underline{M}| = |\underline{M}^\vee/\Lambda| = k \text{ for some}$$

small k . So Λ/\underline{M} is a finite abelian grp of order k

in the finite abelian group $(\mathbb{Z}/N\mathbb{Z})$. One constructs this finite group by hand and shows that there is a unique choice in each case. These are called Niemeier lattices \square

Puzzle: Explain why the above case by case construction works, i.e. find a uniform existence proof of the 23 Niemeier lattices

Ref. [Conway and Sloane] Sphere packings, lattices and groups.

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[Serre] Course in arithmetic