

Lecture III.

Let p be a prime number, $n \geq 1$.

Consider the group $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$.

If $H \subset (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$ is a Subgroup

then $H \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^m$ for some

m $0 \leq m \leq n$, If $m=0$ then $H = \{e\}$

If $m=n$ then $H = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$

Hence we can assume $0 < m < n$.

Let $S_m = \left\{ M \subset (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n \mid \begin{array}{l} M \text{ is a} \\ \text{subgroup} \\ \text{and } M \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^m \end{array} \right\}$

$\# S_m = ?$

$\# S := \text{cardinality of } S.$

$$\text{Aut}(\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n) = \left\{ f: \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n \rightarrow \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n \mid f \text{ is } \left. \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \text{surjective homo} \end{array} \right\}$$

Is the set of Automorphisms of the group $\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n$.

$$\begin{aligned} M_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) &= \left\{ f: \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n \rightarrow \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n \mid f \text{ is } \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{a group} \\ \text{homo} \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \mid a_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Aut}\left(\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n\right) \subset M_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\overset{''}{GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})} := \left\{ (a_{ij}) \in M_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \mid \det(a_{ij}) \neq 0 \right\}$$

$$\text{If } A = (a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \quad \det(A) = \det(a_{ij})$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \text{sign}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \cdots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$

where $S_n = \text{Bijection } \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
 $B(\{1, 2, \dots, n\})$.

DEFN: An S_n is called a permutation of $\{1, \dots, n\}$. An element

$\sigma \in S_n$ is called a transposition

if $\exists i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ s.t. $i \neq j$

$$\sigma(k) = k \quad \forall k \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{i, j\}$$

$$\sigma(i) = j \quad \text{and} \quad \sigma(j) = i$$

Fact: Any permutation is product of transposition

If σ is a transposition then we define $\text{Sign}(\sigma) = -1$.

$$\text{Sign}(\text{Id}_{\{1, \dots, n\}}) = 1.$$

$$\text{Sign}(\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_m) = \text{Sign}(\sigma_1) \dots \text{Sign}(\sigma_m)$$

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Example: $n=2$.

$$\text{Aut}\left(\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^2\right)$$

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$$\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \mid \begin{matrix} a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \\ \neq 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$$

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$$\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}\right)^n = \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}}_{n \text{ - copies}}$$

$$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) \in (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n \quad a_i \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i e_i \quad \text{where}$$

$$e_i = (0, \dots, 0, \overset{i\text{th place}}{1}, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$\text{If } \varphi: (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$$

is a bijective homo (i.e. An Auto)

then

$$\varphi(e_i) = (a_{1i}, \dots, a_{ni}) \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \text{ - } i\text{th place} \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ a_{ni} \end{pmatrix}$$

Giving " φ " is equiv. to giving the matrix $(a_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$.

Note That

$GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ is a subgroup
of $B(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$

$$GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \subsetneq B(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$$

The set $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$ has extra structure
namely it is a group and we
can consider set of bijection which
preserves the group structure.

If $X = \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$GL_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{ f \in B(\mathbb{R}^2) \mid f \text{ is } \mathbb{R}\text{-linear} \}$$

$$\# GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}).$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n}) \neq (0, \dots, 0)$$

$$\overset{p}{(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n} - \{(0, \dots, 0)\}$$

There are $(p^n - 1)$ choices are there
for $(a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n})$

$$(a_{21}, \dots, a_{2n}) \notin \underset{p}{\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}}(a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n})$$

$(a_{21}, \dots, a_{2n})$ can be chosen in $p^n - p$ ways
once the choice of $(a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n})$ is made.

$\vdots$
 $(a_{i1}, \dots, a_{in})$ can be chosen in $p^n - p^{i-1}$ ways
once the choice of
 $(a_{21}, \dots, a_{im}), \dots, (a_{i-1,1}, \dots, a_{i-1,n})$

$(a_{n1}, \dots, a_{nn})$ can be chosen in
 $p^n - p^{n-1}$ ways once the choices of
 $(a_{11}, \dots, a_{1n}), \dots, (a_{n-1,1}, \dots, a_{n-1,n})$
 are made

$$\begin{aligned}
 \# GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) &= (p^n - 1)(p^n - p) \cdots (p^n - p^{n-1}). \\
 &\quad \parallel \\
 &\quad \text{Aut}((\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n).
 \end{aligned}$$

Example:

$$GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \mid a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \neq 0 \right\}$$

$$(p^2 - 1)(p^2 - p) = \# GL_2(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$$

$$(p^3 - 1)(p^3 - p)(p^3 - p^2) = \# GL_3(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}).$$

$$0 < m < n$$

$$S_m = \left\{ M \in \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right)^n \mid M \simeq_{\psi} \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right)^m \right\}.$$

Claim: The group $\text{Aut} \left(\left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right)^n \right) (= GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}))$ acts on S_m .

$$GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \times S_m \longrightarrow S_m.$$

$$(A, M = \langle v_1, \dots, v_m \rangle) \mapsto \langle Av_1, \dots, Av_m \rangle.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \subset \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right)^n & & M \in S_m \\ \parallel & & \\ \langle v_1, \dots, v_m \rangle & & \end{array}$$

$$\text{where } v_1 \neq 0, v_2 \notin \langle v_1 \rangle$$

$$v_3 \notin \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle, \dots, v_m \notin \langle v_1, \dots, v_{m-1} \rangle$$

$$\text{If } A = (a_{ij}) \in GL_n \quad \langle Av_1, \dots, Av_m \rangle \simeq \left(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right)^m.$$

claim: $GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$ acts transitively on S_m .

$$\text{If } M_1 = \langle v_1, \dots, v_m \rangle$$

$$M_2 = \langle w_1, \dots, w_m \rangle.$$

We can find $v_{m+1}, \dots, v_n$

$$\text{s.t. } \langle v_1, \dots, v_m, v_{m+1}, \dots, v_n \rangle = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n.$$

$$\langle w_1, \dots, w_m, w_{m+1}, \dots, w_n \rangle = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^n$$

If φ is the matrix corresponding to the

$$v_i \mapsto w_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Then we see $\varphi(M_1) = M_2$.

If a Group G acts on a Set X
transitively then X can be identified
with the Coset Space

$$G/G_z \quad \text{where } z \in X$$

G_z - Isotropy gp
 $\{g \in G \mid g \cdot z = z\}$

$$X = \underline{O(z)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \# G/G_z = \# O(z)$$

$$\frac{\# G}{\# G_z}$$

$$S_m \cong GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})/G_m \quad MCS_m$$

If $M = \langle e_1, \dots, e_m \rangle$.

Then we can check that

$$G_M = \left\{ A \in GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) \mid \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & C \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Where } A_1 \in GL_m(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$$

$$B_1 \in GL_{n-m}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\text{and } C \in M_{m, n-m} = \left\{ (c_{ij}) \mid \substack{1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n-m} c_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

$$\# M_{m, n-m} = p^{m(n-m)}$$

$$\# GL_m(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = (p^m - 1) \dots (p^m - p^{m-1})$$

$$\# GL_{n-m}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}) = (p^{n-m} - 1) \dots (p^{n-m} - p^{n-m-1})$$

$$\therefore \# G_M = (p^m - 1) \dots (p^m - p^{m-1}) (p^{n-m} - 1) \dots (p^{n-m} - p^{n-m-1}) \\ \times p^{m(n-m)}$$

Hence

$$\# S_m = \frac{\# GL_n(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})}{\# G_m}$$

$$= \frac{(p^n - 1) \cdots (p^n - p^{n-1})}{p^{m(n-m)} (p^m - 1) \cdots (p^m - p^{m-1}) (p^{n-m} - 1) \cdots (p^{n-m} - p^{n-m-1})}$$

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