

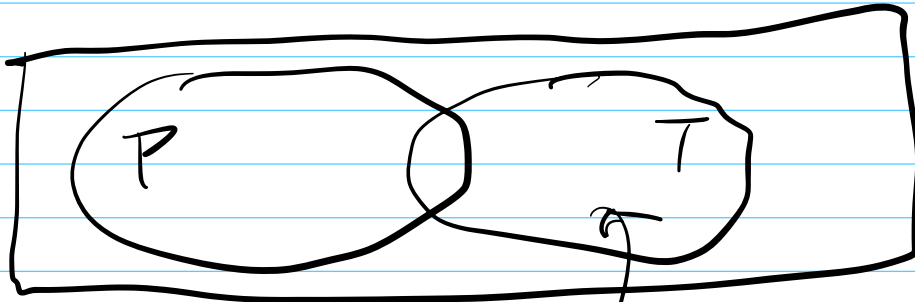
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P: coding, hand-on

T: theory / math, pfs



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250/251 Discrete math

Typical topics

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- Set theory
- math pfs (e.g. induction)
- △ Graph theory.
- ◇ Probability theory

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- Logic
- ★ Algebraic Structure (aka. abstract algebra)

others

- △ Combinatorics
- ★ Number theory
- ◇ linear algebra

• why bother?

- = foundations
- △: algorithm design.
- ◇: ML / Data Science

○: PL

★: Cryptography /
 Communication / deep learning.

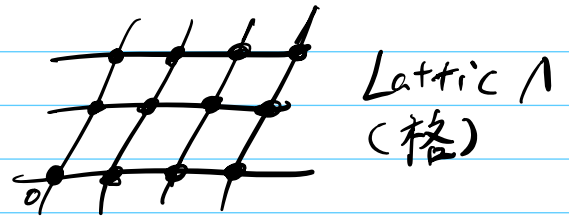
b. A few motivating problems.

• Factoring \mathbb{N} Given: $n = p \cdot q$ (p, q prime)
Find: p . ($n = 33$
 $p = 3, q = 11$)

• Pell's eqn: Given: d integer
Find: integer soln's x, y s.t.
 $x^2 - dy^2 = 1$

e.g. $d = 2$
 $x = 3, y = 2$
 $\{(s, t) : s + \sqrt{2}t = (3 + \sqrt{2} \cdot 2)^n\}$

• SVP: Given: Lattice Λ
 (shortest) Find: $v \in \Lambda, v \neq 0$
 vector problem s.t. $\|v\|$ min.



All fundamental to modern cryptography!

• Diophantine eqn's: find integer soln's to eqn's.

- linear: $ax + by = c$
 x, y unknown, a, b, c integers

- quadratic $ax^2 + by^2 = c$

- $x^n + y^n = z^n$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n = 1 : x + y = z \text{ easy!} \\ n = 2 : x^2 + y^2 = z^2 \text{ (Pythagorean)} \\ n \geq 3 : \text{no int. soln's} \end{array} \right.$ 勾股定理

Fermat's last theorem

- Hilbert's 10th problem:

Is there an algorithm deciding
if a D. eqn has a soln?

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Halting Problem

uncomputable

∃ problems uncomputable by any computer.

1. Algebraic structures.

a. what is an algebra?

set + operation

• $(\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$

• (\mathbb{R}, \cdot)

• $X = \text{set. } \mathcal{P}(X) := \{ Y \subseteq X \}$

power set (幂集)

$(\mathcal{P}(X), \cup)$

Abstract
develop generic
properties/techniques.

Concrete.
gain intuition
sanity check

• what's common in examples above?

$$3 + 5 = 8 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\sqrt{2} \cdot e = \sqrt{2}e \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$S_1 \subseteq X, S_1 \cup S_2 \subseteq X \text{ i.e. } S_1 \cup S_2 \in \mathcal{P}(X)$$

$$S_2 \subseteq X$$

★: Set closed under the operation.

$$\forall x, y \in S, x \circ y \in S.$$

• DEF: An algebraic structure/system (algebra) consists of a set $A \neq \emptyset$,

and operations f_1, \dots, f_k

s.t. for all i , A is closed under f_i .

$$\text{i.e. } \forall i, f_i: \underbrace{A \times \dots \times A}_{n_i} \rightarrow S_i$$

$$\forall x_1, \dots, x_{n_i} \in A, f_i(x_1, \dots, x_{n_i}) \in A$$

(in an algebra: $S_i \subseteq A \forall i$)

- usually consider binary ops: $f_i: A \times A \rightarrow A$

- Notation: $\begin{pmatrix} \circ \\ \cdot \\ + \\ * \end{pmatrix}$

b. Special algebras

• Commutative algebra: $\forall a, b \in A$

$$a * b = b * a$$

• DEF: [Semigroup] $(A, *)$ algebra is called a semigroup, if $*$ is associative.

$$\forall x, y, z \in A, (x * y) * z = x * (y * z)$$

→ can define (abstract) exponentiation:

$$a^n := \underbrace{a * a * \dots * a}_{n \text{ times}}$$

Ex: (\mathbb{R}, \cdot) a^n is ordinary exp.

$$(\mathbb{R}, +) \quad a^n = a + \dots + a = na.$$

• DEF [monoid (独异点)]

semigroup + identity (单位元)
 e

$\exists e \in A$, s.t. $x \in A$, $x * e = e * x = x$

Eg.: $(\mathbb{R}, +)$: $e = \underline{0}$

(\mathbb{R}, \cdot) : $e = \underline{1}$

$(\mathcal{P}(S), \cup)$: $e = \underline{\emptyset}$

• Thm.: If $(S, *)$ is a semigroup,
 & S is finite set.

then $(S, *)$ has an element b

w/ $b^k = b \quad \forall k \geq 1$.

• Pf.: $\forall a \in S$, consider

$a^1, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^i, \dots, a^j, \dots$

B/c $|S|$ is finite, must repeat

[Pigeon hole principle]

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say $a^i = a^j$ ($i < j$)

let $l = j - i$

$$a^j = a^l * a^i = a^i$$

$$\forall q \geq i, \quad a^q = a^i * a^{q-i} \\ = (a^l * a^i) * a^{q-i} = a^l * a^q$$

B/c. $l \geq 1 \exists$ integer $k > 0$, s.t. $kl \geq i$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \boxed{a^{kl}} &= a^l * \underbrace{a^{kl}} \\
 &= a^l * (a^l * a^{kl})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left. \begin{array}{l} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \vdots \\ \vdots \end{array} \\
 &= \underbrace{a^l * a^l * \dots * a^l}_{k \text{ times}} * a^{kl} \\
 &= \boxed{a^{kl} * a^{kl}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b = a^{kl}, \quad b &= b * b * b * b \dots \\
 &= b^k
 \end{aligned}$$

~~QED~~
(QED)

c. Subalgebra

DEF: $(A, *)$ algebra.

$S \subseteq A$, if $(S, *)$ is an algebra.

then call it a subalgebra of $(A, *)$.

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S closed under $*$: $x, y \in S, x * y \in S$.

EX: $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is subalgebra $(\mathbb{R}, +)$