

Semifield

Def. A semifield is a set k with $+$, \cdot s.t.

- $(K, +)$ is commutative and associative (commutative semi gp).
- (K, \cdot) is an abelian group \leftarrow a field is not a semifield.
- distributive law.

Eg. $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$

$$\mathbb{R}(t)_{>0} := \left\{ t^e \frac{f_1(t)}{f_2(t)} \mid e \in \mathbb{Z}, f_1(t), f_2(t) \in \mathbb{R}[t] \right. \\ \left. \text{s.t. } f_1(0), f_2(0) \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \right\}$$

Eg. Tropical $(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot)$

$$a \oplus b = \min\{a, b\}$$

$$a \odot b = a + b$$

$\mathbb{R}(t)_{>0} \rightarrow \text{Trop } \mathbb{Z}$ semifield homomorphism
 $f \mapsto \text{deg of lowest term}$

Remark. $\mathbb{R}(t)_{>0} = \{ \text{coeff of highest term} > 0 \}$

$$\text{Trop } \mathbb{Z}' := a \oplus' b = \max\{a, b\}$$

Then $\mathbb{R}(t)_{>0}' \rightarrow \text{Trop } \mathbb{Z}'$

Remark. $\mathbb{R}\{\{t\}\} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{R}(t^{1/n})$

Puiseux series

$$\text{Define } \mathbb{R}\{\{t\}\}_{>0} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{R}(t^{1/n})_{>0}$$

Then

$$\mathbb{R}\{\{t\}\}_{>0} \rightarrow \text{Trop } \mathbb{Q}$$

eg. $k_1 = \{1\}$. $1+1=1$. $1 \cdot 1=1$.

Any semifield k have $k \rightarrow k_1$ semifield homo

Upshot: $G(k) \xrightarrow{\text{base change}} G(k')$
 \uparrow
 skeleton of $G(k)$

Week 2

Last time: $GL_n, >0$ submonoid of $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$

gen. by $T_{>0}, x_i(a), y_i(a)$. $1 \leq i \leq n-1, a > 0$.

Big picture

$GL_n(\mathbb{R}_{>0}) \rightsquigarrow$ Replace G by any reductive gp or kac Moody gp.

\downarrow
 Replace $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ by any semifield $\rightsquigarrow G(k)$

Eg of semifield.

(i). $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$.

(ii) Trop \mathbb{Z}

(iii) k_1

Universal semifield

Def. Let $\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_m)$ be the field of rational functions with variables z_1, \dots, z_m .

Let $\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_m)_{>0} \subseteq \mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_m)$

be minimal subsemifield containing z_1, \dots, z_m .

$\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_m)_{>0}$ is called the universal semifield.

Rank. Let $m=1$.

Consider $z^2 - z + 1 \in \mathbb{Q}(z)$.

$$z^2 - z + 1 = \frac{z^3 + 1}{z + 1} \in \mathbb{Q}(z)_{>0}$$

So the coefficients can be negative.

Lemma. (universal property)

Let K be a semifield, and

$y_1, \dots, y_m \in K$.

Then $\exists!$ semifield homo

$$\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_m)_{>0} \rightarrow K$$

$$z_i \mapsto y_i$$

Rank. This homo may not be surj. but good thing is

we can choose y_1, \dots, y_m freely. That's usually enough in practice.

pf. (Uniqueness is obvious if well-defined.)

i.e. if P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2 are polynomials with m variables and non-negative coefficients.

and $\frac{P_1}{Q_1} = \frac{P_2}{Q_2}$ then

$$\frac{P_1(y_1, \dots, y_m)}{Q_1(y_1, \dots, y_m)} = \frac{P_2(y_1, \dots, y_m)}{Q_2(y_1, \dots, y_m)}$$

This is obvious since

$$\frac{P_1}{Q_1} = \frac{P_2}{Q_2} \Rightarrow P_1 Q_2 = P_2 Q_1$$

$$\Rightarrow P_1 Q_2(y) = P_2 Q_1(y)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \parallel & & \parallel \\ P_1(y) Q_2(y) & & P_2(y) Q_1(y) \\ \uparrow K & & \parallel K \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_1(y)}{Q_1(y)} = \frac{P_2(y)}{Q_2(y)} \quad \square$$

Upshot. Later we will use

$X(k)$
 \uparrow mysterious semifield.
 a variety

def $X(\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_n)) \xrightarrow{\text{base change}} X(k)$
 "positive structure" \downarrow

$X(\mathbb{Q}(z_1, \dots, z_n)) \leftarrow$ something we understand more
 variety over field.

Lie theory 10

(Weyl gps, Bruhat decompositions, Hecke algebras).

Def. Let V be f.d. Euclidean space (inner product space/ \mathbb{R}) and \langle, \rangle be the inner product.

Let $\alpha \in V$ nonzero.

$$s_\alpha : V \rightarrow V \text{ reflection along } \alpha.$$

$$v \mapsto v - \frac{2\langle \alpha, v \rangle}{\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle} \alpha.$$

A root system is a non-empty ^{finite} subset Φ of V s.t.

(i) $\forall \alpha \in \Phi, s_\alpha \Phi = \Phi$

(ii) $\forall \alpha, \beta \in \Phi, \frac{2\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle} \in \mathbb{Z}$

no need span V .

(A root system is reduced if $\Phi \cap R\alpha = \{\alpha, -\alpha\}$ for all $\alpha \in \Phi$.)

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^n$. $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ is a orthonormal basis.

i.e. $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$

Eg. (Type A_{n-1} , $G = GL_n$ or SL_n)

$$\Phi = \{e_i - e_j, i \neq j\} \quad \Sigma = \{e_1 - e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} - e_n\}$$

Eg. (Type B_n , $G = SO_{2n+1}$)

$$\Phi = \{\pm e_i \pm e_j : i \neq j\} \cup \{\pm e_i, i\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{e_1 - e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} - e_n, e_n\}$$

Eg. (Type C_n , $G = Sp_{2n}$)

$$\Phi = \{\pm e_i \pm e_j : i \neq j\} \cup \{\pm 2e_i, i\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{e_1 - e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} - e_n, 2e_n\}$$

Eg. (Type D_n , $G = SO_{2n}$)

$$\Phi = \{\pm e_i \pm e_j, i \neq j\} \quad \Sigma = \{e_1 - e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} - e_n, e_{n-1} + e_n\}$$

Rmk. Here we DO allow non-reduced root system, i.e. $\alpha, 2\alpha \in \Phi$ is allowed.

Eg. (Type B/C_n).

$$\Phi = \{\pm e_i \pm e_j\} \cup \{\pm e_i\} \cup \{\pm 2e_i\}$$

occurs in the ramified unitary gp over p -adic fields. (not used in this course)

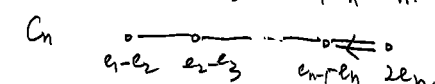
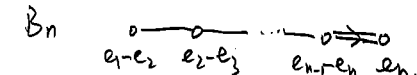
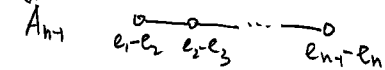
Def. Choose a generic $\rho_0 \in V$ s.t. $\langle \alpha, \rho_0 \rangle \neq 0 \forall \alpha \in \Phi$.
 The positive roots $\Phi^+ = \{\alpha \in \Phi \mid \langle \alpha, \rho_0 \rangle > 0\}$.

Def. The set of simple roots $\Sigma \in \Phi^+$

A positive root is simple if it is not the sum of two positive roots.

We may associate Dynkin diagrams

Type



single edge: same length
 edge: $\ell, \ell \neq 0$

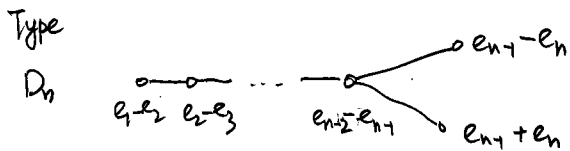
\Rightarrow longer to shorter

double edge: 2

single edge: 3

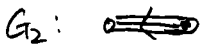
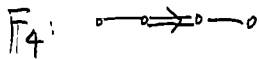
double: 4 $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2, 3, 4, 6}$

triple: 6



Type A-D are called classical types.

$E_{6,7,8}$



Type E, F, G are called exceptional types.

Affine types: $\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{C}, \tilde{D}, \tilde{E}, \tilde{F}, \tilde{G}$.

Loop gps or p-adic gps

None-affine types.



Notation.

Φ root system

Σ simple roots

$S = \{s_\alpha : \alpha \in \Sigma\}$ simple reflections.

Def. Let $W \subseteq GL(V)$ be the subgp gen. by S .

This is the Weyl group of (Φ, Σ) .

Eg. Type A_{n-1} . $G = GL_n$, $W = S_n$.

Type B_n/C_n , $W = S_n \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^n$ even parity.

Type D_n $W = S_n \times ((\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^n / (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}))$

Type G_2 $W = D_{12}$ dihedral gp of order 12.

Type E/F more complicated.

Def. Coxeter group (W, S) .

W gp.

S set of generators, s.t. relations

$s^2 = 1 \quad \forall s \in S$

$(st)^{m_{st}} = 1 \quad \forall s \neq t \in S$

$m_{st} = m_{ts} \in \{2, 3, \dots, \infty\}$

If $m_{st} = m_{ts} \in \{2, 3, 4, 6, \infty\}$, (W, S) is called crystallographic. This is the Weyl gp of some Kac-Moody gp.

Eg. Rank 2 case.

$A_1 \times A_1$ $m=2$. $st=ts$.

A_2 $m=3$. $s=(12) \quad t=(23)$. st is 3-cycle.

B_2/C_2 $m=4$.

G_2 $m=6$.

\tilde{A}_1 $m=\infty$

Rank. $(st)^{m_{st}} = 1$ is equi. to $\underbrace{sts\dots}_{m_{st}\text{-terms}} = \underbrace{tst\dots}_{m_{st}\text{-terms}}$

Coxeter relation.

Fact. This is the longest element in the rank 2 Coxeter group.

* We assume the root system to be reduced now.

Thm. Let W be a Weyl gp. Then (W, S) is a Coxeter gp.

Def. (length function).

(i) Let W be a gp generated by a set of reflections S (elements of order 2).

Let $w \in W$, $l(w)$ is the minimum k s.t.

$w = s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_k}$ for $s_{i_1}, \dots, s_{i_k} \in S$.

(ii). For Weyl gp W .

Set $l'(w) = |\{\alpha \in \Phi^+; w(\alpha) \in \Phi^-\}|$.

Fact. Let $w \in W$, $s = s_\alpha$ for $\alpha \in \Sigma$. Then

$l'(ws) = \begin{cases} l'(w) + 1 & \text{if } w(\alpha) \in \Phi^+ \\ l'(w) - 1 & \text{if } w(\alpha) \in \Phi^- \end{cases}$ (*)

Exchange property: Let $w = s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_k} \in W$ and $s \in S$.

If $l'(ws) < l'(w)$ then

$s_{i_1} \dots s_{i_k} = s_{i_1} \dots \hat{s}_{i_j} \dots s_{i_k} s$

pf. Let $S = S_\alpha$. Then $w(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}^-$ by last fact.

Then $\exists i$ s.t. $S_{i+1} \dots S_k(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

but $S_{i+1} \dots S_k(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}^-$

Write $S_i = s_i$ for S_{α_i} . Then

$$S_{i+1} \dots S_k(\alpha) = \alpha_i. \quad (S_i(\mathbb{Z}^+ \setminus \{\alpha_i\}) = \mathbb{Z}^+ \setminus \{\alpha_i\}, \text{ as } \mathbb{Z} \text{ reduced})$$

So

$$(S_{i+1} \dots S_k) S_\alpha (S_{i+1} \dots S_k)^{-1} = S_{\alpha_i} = S_i. \quad (\text{Prop. 1.2 Humphreys } \pm S_{\alpha_i}^{-1} = S_{\alpha_i}, \alpha \in \mathcal{D}(V))$$

Then

$$S_{i+1} \dots S_k S = S_i S_{i+1} \dots S_k$$

So

$$S_1 \dots S_k = (S_1 \dots S_{i-1})(S_i \dots S_k) \\ = (S_1 \dots S_{i-1})(\hat{S}_i S_{i+1} \dots S_k S) \quad \square$$

Prop. Let $w \in W$. Then $l(w) = l'(w)$.

proof. ① $l'(w) \leq l(w)$

Let $w = S_1 \dots S_k$ (where $k = l(w)$).

By (*), $l'(w) \leq k$.

② $l(w) \leq l'(w)$.

Suppose that $w = S_1 \dots S_k$ with $k = l(w) > l'(w)$.

for contradiction.

Assume furthermore that w is the smallest counterexample.

Then, $l(S_1 \dots S_{k-1}) = l'(S_1 \dots S_{k-1})$. ($\Rightarrow l'(S_1 \dots S_{k-1}) = l'(S_1 \dots S_{k-1}) - 1$)
by fact

Now we are in situation of exchange property.

$$w = S_1 \dots S_{k-1} S_k = S_1 \dots \hat{S}_i \dots S_{k-1} \hat{S}_k$$

Thus $l(w) \leq k-2$ contradiction. \square .

Cor. (i). If $w(\mathbb{Z}^+) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^+$, then $w = 1$.

(ii). W is a finite gp.

pf. (i). $l(w) = l'(w) = 0 \Rightarrow w = 1$.

(ii). By (i), $w \mapsto \text{Map} \{ \mathbb{Z}^+, \mathbb{Z} \}$

Alternatively, $w \mapsto \text{Sym } \mathbb{Z}$ \square .

Cor. Let $w = S_1 \dots S_k$ be a reduced expression.

Then $\{ \alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \mid w(\alpha) \in \mathbb{Z}^- \}$

$$= \{ \alpha_k, S_k(\alpha_{k-1}), S_k S_{k-1}(\alpha_{k-2}), \dots \}$$

sketch pf. $S_{i+1} \dots S_k(S_i \dots S_{i+1}(\alpha_i)) = \alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+$, but $S_i w(\alpha) = -\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}^-$. \square .

Thm. Let W be a weyl gp. Then (W, S) is a Coxeter gp.

pf. We have $s^2 = 1 \forall s \in S$.

and Coxeter relation $\forall s \neq t$ in S .

Let W' be the associated Coxeter gp.

Then

$$W' \rightarrow W$$

$$t_i \mapsto S_i$$

is a gp homo.

It is surjective by def of W .

Interlude: Lemma. Let $K \in \mathbb{Z}$. then $\exists w \in W$ s.t. $w(K) \in \Sigma$ (but not related).

To prove this is injective, denote

W' generated by t_1, \dots, t_n .

Let $t_1, \dots, t_n \in \text{kernel}$ with n minimal, i.e.,

$$S_1 \dots S_m = 1 \text{ in } W.$$

$l'(S_1 \dots S_m) \equiv m \pmod{2}$ by exchange property.

So $2 \mid m$.

So $m = 2\ell$, we have

$$S_1 \dots S_\ell = S'_1 \dots S'_\ell$$

Assume ℓ is minimum. Then

$$S_1 \dots S_\ell = S_1 \dots \hat{S}_i \dots S_\ell S'_\ell$$

$$t_1 \dots t_\ell = t_1 \dots \hat{t}_i \dots t_\ell t'_\ell$$

$$\Rightarrow t_1 \dots t_\ell = t_{i+1} \dots t_\ell t'_\ell$$

As ℓ is minimum. $i = 1$.

$$\Rightarrow t_1 \dots t_\ell = t_2 \dots t_\ell t'_1$$

$$= t_3 \dots t_\ell t'_1 t'_2$$

$$= \dots$$

$$= t_2 t'_1 t'_2 t'_3 \dots$$

Similarly for LHS. This must be Coxeter relation.

So $t_1 \dots t_n = 1$. \square .

Thm. Let W be a gp gen. by finite set S of elements
of order 2.

then (W, S) is a Coxeter group iff
exchange property holds for W .

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