

Last time:

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^\times \cong \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}_p^\times}_{\text{units}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{Z}}_{\pi^n}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_p^\times \cong 1+p\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{F}_p^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{F}_p^\times \quad p \text{ odd}$$

$x \mapsto \exp(px)$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2^\times \cong \{\pm 1\} \times (1+4\mathbb{Z}_2) \cong \{\pm 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$x \mapsto \exp(4x)$

§ Quadratic extensions of \mathbb{Q}_p

K any field of char. $\neq 2$

quadratic extensions of K $\xleftrightarrow{1:1}$ non-trivial classes in $K^\times / K^{\times 2}$

$K(\sqrt{d}) \longleftarrow d$

F any quad. ext. of K

$F = K(d)$, $d^2 + ad + b = 0$

some $a, b \in K$, then

$$F = K\left(\frac{-a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - 4b}}{2}\right) = K(\sqrt{a^2 - 4b})$$

$\longrightarrow a^2 - 4b$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad K = \mathbb{C}$$

$$\mathbb{C}^{\times} = \mathbb{C}^{\times 2} \quad \Rightarrow \text{no quad. exts.}$$

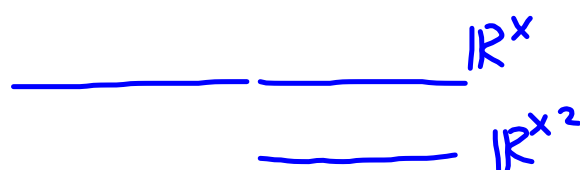
$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad K = \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{\times} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{\times 2} = \mathbb{R}_{>0}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{\times} / \mathbb{R}^{\times 2} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\{1, -1\}$$



\Rightarrow the unique quad. ext.
of \mathbb{R} is $\mathbb{R}(\sqrt{-1}) = \mathbb{C}$.

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad K = \mathbb{F}_p \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \quad (p > 2)$$

$$\mathbb{F}_p^\times \text{ cyclic of order } p-1$$

$$\mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \text{ cyclic of order } \frac{p-1}{2}$$

{quadratic
residues}

$$\mathbb{F}_p^\times / \mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

{1, η }

any quadratic non-residue

\Rightarrow

\mathbb{F}_p has a unique
quad. ext. ,

namely

$$\mathbb{F}_p(\sqrt{\eta}) \cong \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad K = \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\mathbb{Q}^{\times} / \mathbb{Q}^{\times 2} \quad \stackrel{1:1}{=} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{square-free} \\ \text{integers } d \end{array} \right\}$$

$\Rightarrow \infty$ quad. exts of \mathbb{Q} , e.g.

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-1}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}), \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2}), \dots$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad K = \mathbb{Q}_p \quad ; \quad p \text{ odd}$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_p^\times \times \mathbb{Z} \cong (1+p\mathbb{Z}_p) \times \mathbb{F}_p^\times \times \mathbb{Z}$$

from residue field
cyclic of order $p-1$

$(\mathbb{Z}_p, +)$ by \log, \exp gen. by p

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^{\times 2} = (1+p\mathbb{Z}_p) \times \mathbb{F}_p^{\times 2} \times 2\mathbb{Z}$$

same group because
 $\mathbb{Z}_p \xrightarrow{\times 2} \mathbb{Z}_p$

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^\times / \mathbb{Q}_p^{\times 2} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

with classes $\{1, \eta, p, \eta p\}$
for any $\eta \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ that reduces to a
non-residue mod p

is an isomorphism ($p \neq 2$)

$\Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$ has 3 quadratic extensions, anything
 $\equiv 1 \pmod 4$
 $\not\equiv 1 \pmod 8$
 $\mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{\eta}), \mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{p}), \mathbb{Q}_p(\sqrt{\eta p}).$

Ex $K = \mathbb{Q}_2$

$$\mathbb{Q}_2^{\times} \cong (1 + 4\mathbb{Z}_2) \times \{\pm 1\} \times \mathbb{Z}^2$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_2^{\times 2} = (1 + 8\mathbb{Z}_2) \times \{1\} \times 2\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_2^{\times} / \mathbb{Q}_2^{\times 2} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

11^2
 $4\mathbb{Z}_2$ by

$1+4\mathbb{Z}_2 \xrightarrow{\log} \mathbb{Z}_2$
 $\xleftarrow{\exp}$

2^2
 $8\mathbb{Z}_2$

5

-1

2

So \mathbb{Q}_2 has 7 quadratic extensions, namely

$$\mathbb{Q}_2(\sqrt{d}) \quad d \in \{-1, 2, 5, -2, -5, 10, -10\}$$

Cor p odd.

$a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$ is a square $\Leftrightarrow a \bmod p \in \mathbb{F}_p^\times$
is a quad. residue.

$$p=2$$

$a \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$ is a square $\Leftrightarrow a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

Cor p odd

$$(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})^\times \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \times (\mathbb{Z}/p^{n-1}\mathbb{Z}) \quad \text{cyclic}$$

cyclic
order $p-1$
cyclic
order p^{n-1}

$p=2$

$$(\mathbb{Z}/2^n\mathbb{Z})^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2^{n-2}\mathbb{Z}$$

± 1
gen. by 5

classical
results
in number
theory.

§ Diophantine equations in \mathbb{Z}_p

These are special cases of a very general framework.
E.g. we proved that the following are equivalent:

For $a \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$

(1) a is a square in \mathbb{Z}_2

(2) a is a square mod 2^n for all $n \geq 1$.

(3) a is a square mod 2^3

$x^2 = a \overset{=0}{\neq} h$
solutions

(1) in \mathbb{Z}_2

(2) in $\mathbb{Z}/2^n\mathbb{Z}$

(3) in $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$

Rmk This is why p -adics are useful in number theory :
 to study eqns $/\mathbb{Z}$, $/\mathbb{Q}$ first understand
 them $/\mathbb{R}$, $/\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$, equivalently $/\mathbb{R}$, $/\mathbb{Q}_p$.

bad rings : zero
 divisors, finite
 characteristic

great. These are
 1) fields
 2) characteristic 0
 3) complete.

Thm Suppose

$$V: \begin{cases} f_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ f_r(x_1, \dots, x_k) = 0 \end{cases}$$

system of poly. eqns with \mathbb{Z} - (or \mathbb{Z}_p -) coefficients. Then

V has a p -adic solution $(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^k$

(\Leftrightarrow)

V has a solution in $\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z}$ for every $n \geq 1$.

Proof \Rightarrow clear: Take a solution $(a_1, \dots, a_k) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^k$
and reduce it mod p^n .

\Leftarrow Let $a^{(n)} = (a_1^{(n)}, \dots, a_k^{(n)}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^k$
be a solution mod p^n , lifted to \mathbb{Z}_p^k ,
i.e. $f_i(a_1^{(n)}, \dots, a_k^{(n)}) \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n}$
for all i .

\mathbb{Z}_p^k compact $\Rightarrow (a^{(n)})_{n \geq 1}$ has a convergent
(exc.) subsequence, $a^{(n_j)} \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{Z}_p^k$
By continuity, all $f_i(a) = 0$ \bullet

§ Hensel's lemma

K non-Archimedean, complete w.r. to $|\cdot|$

\mathcal{O} ring of integers $\{x \mid |x| \leq 1\}$

\mathfrak{m} maximal ideal $\{x \mid |x| < 1\}$

$\mathcal{O}/\mathfrak{m} \cong k$ residue field

$a \mapsto \bar{a}$

\mathbb{Q}_p
 \mathbb{Z}_p
 (p)

\mathbb{F}_p

Thm (Hensel's lemma v1) $f(x) \in \mathcal{O}[x]$ monic,

suppose $x_1 \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t.

$$|f(x_1)| < 1, \quad |f'(x_1)| = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{matrix} f(x_1) \equiv 0 \pmod{m} \\ f'(x_1) \not\equiv 0 \pmod{m} \end{matrix}$$

$\Leftrightarrow \bar{f}(x)$ has a simple zero \bar{x}_1

Then $\exists! x \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $f(x) = 0$ and $|x - x_1| \leq |f(x_1)|$

$$\Leftrightarrow x \equiv x_1 \pmod{m}$$

Proof Pick any $\pi \in m \setminus \{0\}$
s.t. $\pi \mid f(x_1)$

(e.g. uniformizer if $|\cdot|$ is discrete).

Proceed by induction:

Given $x_n \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $|x_n - x_1| \leq |f(x_1)|$ and $f(x_n) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^n}$
 want (unique mod π^{n+1})

$x_{n+1} \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $|x_{n+1} - x_1| \leq |f(x_1)|$, and $f(x_{n+1}) \equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^{n+1}}$
 $x_{n+1} \equiv x_n \pmod{\pi^n}$

Then (x_n) is a Cauchy sequence $\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow X \in \mathcal{O}$ and $f(X) = 0$ by continuity.

(consider $\mathcal{O}[\pi] \ni f(x_n + \pi^n \tau) \equiv f(x_n) + f'(x_n) \pi^n \tau \pmod{\pi^{n+1}}$
 $\equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^n}$ (unit (as $f'(x_1)$ is a unit))

To force this to be $\equiv 0 \pmod{\pi^{n+1}}$ set

$$T = - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)\pi^n} \in \mathcal{O} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{unique} \\ \text{choice} \\ \text{mod } \pi \end{array}$$

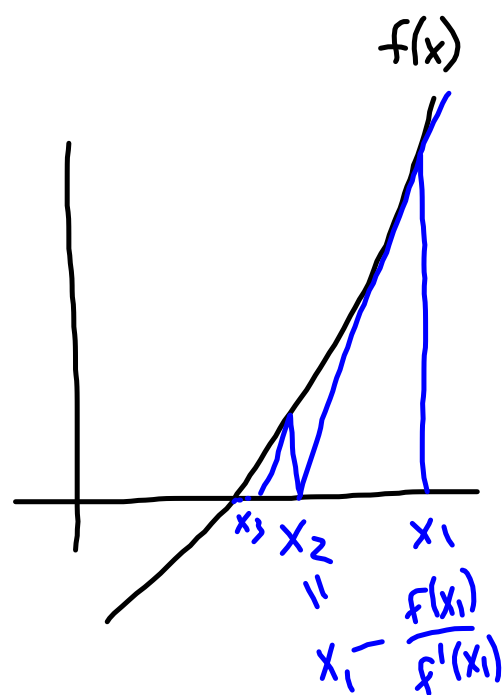
In other words, if we let

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

then this sequence is Cauchy and $f(x_n) \rightarrow 0$.

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Rmk This is exactly like Newton-Raphson's method over \mathbb{R}



Ex $f(x) = x^2 + 1$ in \mathbb{Q}_5 .

$$\bar{f}(x) = x^2 + 1 = (x-2)(x-3)$$

$f(x) \bmod 5$
in $\mathbb{F}_5[x]$

two roots of x^2+1 in \mathbb{F}_5 , both simple
(i.e. $\bar{f}'(2) \neq 0, \bar{f}'(3) \neq 0$)

Hensel's lemma $\Rightarrow \exists! i \in \mathbb{Z}_5, i \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$

s.t. $i^2 + 1 = 0$.

(and it can be constructed from $x_1 = 2$ (say) by

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 + 1}{2x_n}$$

$$x_1 = 2, \quad x_2 = 2 - \frac{5}{4} = \frac{3}{4}, \dots$$

Variants (proof: similar)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 + 1 &= \frac{9}{16} + 1 \\ &= \frac{25}{16} \equiv \\ &0 \pmod{5^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thm (Hensel's lemma v2: non-singular points on varieties)

$$f_1, \dots, f_r \in \mathcal{O}[x_1, \dots, x_d], \quad r \leq d$$

Suppose $\exists a_i \in \mathcal{O}^d$ s.t.

- 1) $f_i(a_i) \equiv 0 \pmod{m} \quad \forall i$
- 2) $\left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}\right)(a_i) \pmod{m}$ has rank r .

Then $\exists a \in \mathcal{O}^d$ s.t. $a \equiv a_i \pmod{m_i}$ and
 all $f_i(a) = 0$.

Thm (Hensel's Lemma v3: factorisation)

$f \in \mathcal{O}[x]$ monic s.t. $\bar{f} = g \cdot h \in k[x]$

with g, h monic and coprime.

Then $\exists!$ factorisation $f = G \cdot H$, $G, H \in \mathcal{O}[x]$ monic
 lifting it.

Thm (Hensel's Lemma v4): deeper roots)

$f \in \mathcal{O}(x)$ monic, $x_1 \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $|f(x_1)| < |f'(x_1)|^2$.

Then $\exists! x \in \mathcal{O}$ s.t. $f(x) = 0$ and $|x - x_1| \leq \frac{|f(x_1)|}{|f'(x_1)|}$

Ex Another proof that $a \in \mathbb{Z}_2^\times$ is a square

$\Leftrightarrow a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$.

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_2$, $a \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$, $f(x) = x^2 - a$.

Take $x_1 = 1 \Rightarrow f(x_1) = 1^2 - a \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$

$f'(x_1) = 2x_1 = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x_1)| &\leq \frac{1}{8} \\ |f'(x_1)| &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Hensel's condition satisfied $\Rightarrow \exists$ root of $x^2 - a$
in \mathbb{Z}_2 .

Remark In general this gives an explicit condition
for which n to test whether $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p^n}$
to guarantee the existence of a p -adic solution.

§ Inverse limit

Alternative construction of the p -adics :

Instead of

$$\mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{\text{completion}} \mathbb{Q}_p$$

ring of
integers

$$\xrightarrow{\quad} \mathbb{Z}_p$$

"topological
way"


$$(\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})_{n \geq 1}$$

inverse
limit

$$\xrightarrow{\quad} \mathbb{Z}_p$$

field of
fractions

$$\xrightarrow{\quad} \mathbb{Q}_p$$

Def (I, \leq) partially ordered index set
 [e.g. $\mathbb{N}, \leq \dots -4-3-2-1$
 or $\mathbb{N}, |$ 

$(A_i)_{i \in I}$ groups [rings, sets, top. spaces, ...]

$f_{ij} : A_j \rightarrow A_i$ homomorphisms for all $i \leq j$
 s.t. $f_{ij} \circ f_{jk} = f_{ik}$ and $f_{ii} = \text{id}$.

The inverse limit (or projective limit)

$$\varprojlim_{i \in I} A_i = \left\{ (a_i)_{i \in I} \mid a_i \in A_i, f_{ij}(a_j) = a_i \text{ for all } i < j \right\}$$

(again a group (ring, top. space, ...))

for top. spaces topology induced from the product topology $\varprojlim A_i \subseteq \prod A_i$, called the inverse limit topology.