

Q6: Note that for any $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$ the function

$$g(z) = \wp'(z) - a\wp(z) - b$$

is periodic, with period Γ . By Cartan *iii*§5 prop 5.1, as proven in lecture the number of zeros and periods is equal in any given parallelogram. Thus it is enough to show that there are 3 poles. Note that from the definition of \wp' , 0 will be a triple pole. Since the pole is of order 3, for any a, b , $g(z)$ will also have 3 poles and hence 3 zeros. We now claim that the sum of the zeros is equal to a period. Note that by prop 5.2 and class discussion, the sum of the roots for $\wp'(z) - a\wp(z) = b$, α_i and the poles β_i satisfy

$$\sum \alpha_i \equiv \sum \beta_i \pmod{\Gamma}.$$

Since $\beta_i = 0$, the sum of the α_i 's will be congruent to 0 mod Γ and hence be a period. Now given u, v we wish to find a, b so that

$$g(u) = g(v) = 0.$$

Since the zeros must sum to 0 the last zero in the period parallelogram must be $-u - v$. So any a, b that make $g(u) = g(v) = 0$ will also make $g(-u - v) = 0$. We see that by solving the system of equations given by $g(u) = g(v) = 0$, we can take

$$a = \frac{\wp'(v) - \wp'(u)}{\wp(v) - \wp(u)}, b = \frac{\wp'(u)\wp(v) - \wp'(v)\wp(u)}{\wp(v) - \wp(u)}.$$

Therefore we get that

$$0 = \wp'(-u - v) - \frac{\wp'(v) - \wp'(u)}{\wp(v) - \wp(u)} \cdot \wp(-u - v) - \frac{\wp'(u)\wp(v) - \wp'(v)\wp(u)}{\wp(v) - \wp(u)}.$$

Multiplying across by $\wp(v) - \wp(u)$ gives us

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} \wp(u) & \wp'(u) & 1 \\ \wp(v) & \wp'(v) & 1 \\ \wp(-u - v) & \wp'(-u - v) & 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$