

SETS:

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Application of QRL (Quadratic Reciprocity Law) ① a prime p
② Quadratic eq.

Thm (Fermat's Christmas Theorem, Dec. 25, 1640)

Let p be a prime number & $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Then the Diophantine equation $X^2 + Y^2 = p$ has a solution in \mathbb{Z} .

$$X^2 + Y^2 = pZ^2 \quad (\text{ref. Lec. 12})$$

Rmk:

- It was discovered (not proved) by Fermat on Christmas day
- Many great mathematicians used different methods to prove it.
- We'll use a "geometry of number" method to prove it.
(due to Minkowski)

Thm. (Minkowski's theorem, plane case)

Consider a grid of parallelograms in the plane, with the origin at a grid-point

$$\mathbb{Z}\vec{u} + \mathbb{Z}\vec{v} \quad \vec{u}, \vec{v} \text{ are vectors in the plane}$$

and a circle centered at the origin. If the area of the circle is greater than

$$\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2\}$$

$$A_{\text{circle}} = \pi \cdot r^2$$

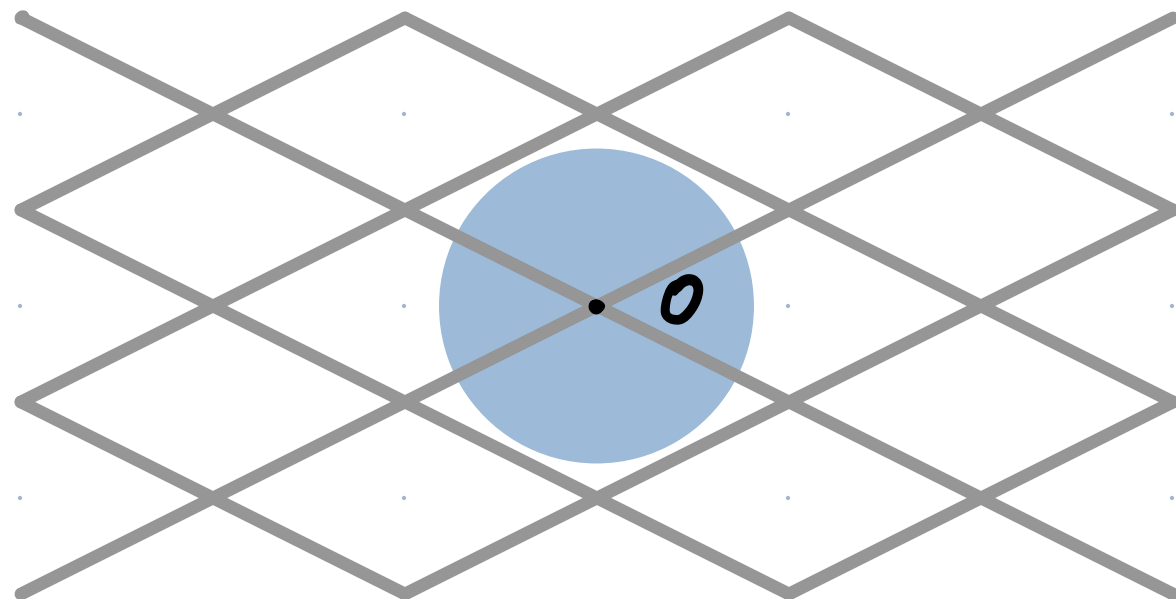
4 times the area of a parallelogram, then the circle contains a grid-point

$$A_{\text{parallelogram}} = |\det(\vec{u}, \vec{v})|$$

$$\exists (x, y) \mid \begin{array}{l} 0 < x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2 \\ (x, y) = a\vec{u} + b\vec{v} \\ \text{for some } a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \end{array}$$

besides the origin. $\vec{u} = (a, b) \Rightarrow A = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix}$
 $\vec{v} = (c, d)$

Proof. pp. 200 in TEXTBOOK



Proof of Fermat's Christmas.

Let p be a prime number & $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

By the reciprocity of -1 , we see that -1 is a QR mod p .

Let $u \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $u^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

Consider the set:

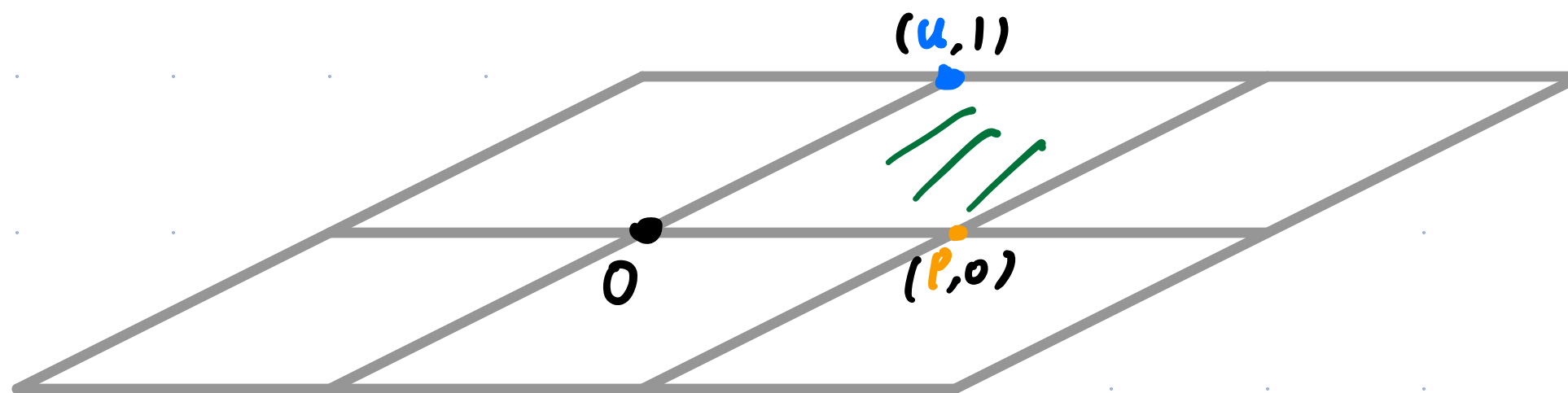
$$S = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \mid x \equiv uy \pmod{p} \}$$

$$x^2 \equiv u^2 y^2 \equiv -y^2 \pmod{p}$$

Note that

$$S = \mathbb{Z}(u, 1) + \mathbb{Z}(p, 0)$$

So S = grid-point of a grid of parallelograms



$$\text{Area of a parallelogram} = \begin{vmatrix} u & 1 \\ p & 0 \end{vmatrix} = p$$

Put a circle of area ~~$4p$~~ ^{or $5p$} at 0 . Then Minkowski's theorem implies that there is a grid-point (x, y) inside the circle (including its edge) besides 0 .

Now we have :

$$(x, y) \text{ is a grid-point} \Rightarrow (x, y) \in S \Rightarrow x \equiv uy \pmod{p}$$

$$\text{Note that } u^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}.$$

$$\text{Hence } x^2 \equiv u^2 y^2 \equiv -y^2 \pmod{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow p \mid x^2 + y^2 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$(x, y) \text{ is contained in the circle} \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 \leq \frac{4}{\pi} p < 2p \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$\pi > 2.5$

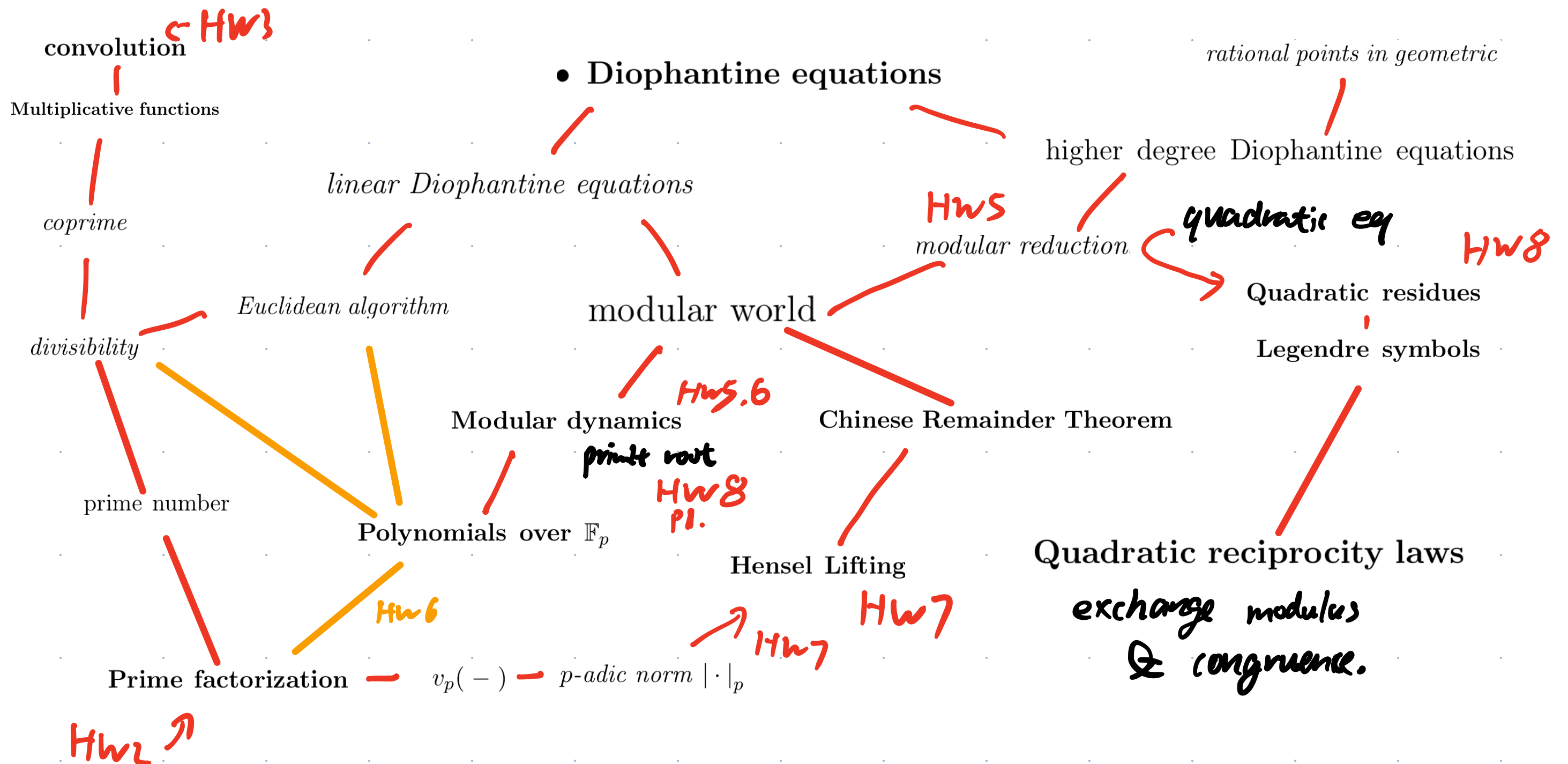
$$(x, y) \neq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 > 0 \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = p$$

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Outline of Final

MATH 110 | Introduction to Number Theory | Fall 2022



The followings are topics in each lecture

Lecture 1: Euclidean algorithm

Lecture 2: GCD and the solvability of the linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = c$.

Lecture 3: LCM and the solution set of the homogeneous linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = 0$.

Lecture 4: General solutions of the linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = c$.

Lecture 5: Hasse diagram, prime numbers, coprime, and Prime Factorization.

Lecture 6: Unique Prime Factorization property, the function $V_p(-)$.

Lecture 7: Distributions of prime numbers, divisor set, and multiplicative functions.

Lecture 8: Multiplicative functions, Mersenne primes, rational numbers.

Lecture 9: Irrational number, algebraic number, and transcendental number.

HW 1

HW 2

HW 3 convolution

Lecture 10: Diophantine approximation, Ford circles, and kiss of fractions.

Lecture 11: Dirichlet's approximation theorem and mediant of fractions.

Lecture 12: Pythagorean triples, rational points in circles, and modular world. 

Lecture 13: Modular world and additive modular dynamics.

Lecture 14: Modular dynamics.

Lecture 15: Fermat's little theorem and primality testings.

Lecture 16: Similarity between additive modular dynamics and multiplicative modular dynamics, primitive roots.

Lecture 17: primitive root theorem

Lecture 18: Polynomials mod p

Lecture 19: Polynomials mod p and Chinese remainder theorem

HW 9

HW 5

HW 6

HW 8 P1

Lecture 20: Chinese remainder theorem

Practice it by yourself !!

Lecture 21: Hensel's lemma **HW7**

Lecture 22: Quadratic residue

Lecture 23: Legendre symbols and Quadratic Reciprocity Law

HW8
Prob 3.

Lecture 24-26: prove the Quadratic Reciprocity Law

Lecture 26-27: applications of Quadratic Reciprocity Law

