## ABSTRACT

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Dedicated to our families
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and
Zsuzsanna, Peter, Karoline, and Alexandra

#### **Frequently Used Notation**

$f^{-1}(A)$	the inverse image or preimage of $A$ under $f$
$a \mid b$	a divides b
(a,b)	the greatest common divisor of $a, b$
	also the ideal generated by a, b
A ,  x	the order of the set $A$ , the order of the element $x$
$\mathbb{Z},\mathbb{Z}^+$	the integers, the positive integers
$\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}^+$	the rational numbers, the positive rational numbers
$\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^+$	the real numbers, the positive real numbers
$\mathbb{C},\mathbb{C}^{\times}$	the complex numbers, the nonzero complex numbers
$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$	the integers modulo <i>n</i>
$(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$	the (multiplicative group of) invertible integers modulo $n$
$A \times B$	the direct or Cartesian product of A and B
$H \leq G$	H is a subgroup of $G$
$Z_n$	the cyclic group of order n
$D_{2n}$	the dihedral group of order 2n
$S_n, S_{\Omega}$	the symmetric group on $n$ letters, and on the set $\Omega$
$A_n$	the alternating group on <i>n</i> letters
$Q_8$	the quaternion group of order 8
$V_4$	the Klein 4-group
$\mathbb{F}_{N}$	the finite field of N elements
$GL_n(F), GL(V)$	the general linear groups
$SL_n(F)$	the special linear group
$A \cong B$	A is isomorphic to B
$C_G(A)$ , $N_G(A)$	the centralizer, and normalizer in $G$ of $A$
Z(G)	the center of the group $G$
$G_s$	the stabilizer in the group $G$ of $s$
$\langle A \rangle, \langle x \rangle$	the group generated by the set $A$ , and by the element $x$
$G = \langle \ldots   \ldots \rangle$	generators and relations (a presentation) for $G$
$\ker \varphi$ , im $\varphi$	the kernel, and the image of the homomorphism $\varphi$
$N \leq G$	N is a normal subgroup of $G$
gH, $Hg$	the left coset, and right coset of $H$ with coset representative $g$
G:H	the index of the subgroup $H$ in the group $G$
Aut(G)	the automorphism group of the group $G$
$Syl_p(G)$	the set of Sylow $p$ -subgroups of $G$
$n_p$	the number of Sylow $p$ -subgroups of $G$
[x, y]	the commutator of $x$ , $y$
$H \rtimes K$	the semidirect product of $H$ and $K$
H	the real Hamilton Quaternions
R×	the multiplicative group of units of the ring R
$R[x], R[x_1, \ldots, x_n]$	polynomials in $x$ , and in $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ with coefficients in $R$
RG, FG	the group ring of the group $G$ over the ring $R$ , and over the field $F$
$\mathcal{O}_K$	the ring of integers in the number field K
$\lim_{\infty} A_i, \lim_{\infty} A_i$	the direct, and the inverse limit of the family of groups $A_i$
$\mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Q}_p$	the $p$ -adic integers, and the $p$ -adic rationals
$A \oplus B$	the direct sum of A and B

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the leading term of the polynomial f, the ideal of leading terms
LT(f), LT(I)
                                the n \times n, and the n \times m matrices over R
M_{n}(R), M_{n\times m}(R)
M_{\mathcal{B}}^{\mathcal{E}}(\varphi)
                                the matrix of the linear transformation \varphi
                                   with respect to bases {\cal B} (domain) and {\cal E} (range)
tr(A)
                                the trace of the matrix A
\operatorname{Hom}_R(A,B)
                                the R-module homomorphisms from A to B
End(M)
                                the endomorphism ring of the module M
                                the torsion submodule of M
Tor(M)
                                the annihilator of the module M
Ann(M)
M \otimes_R N
\mathcal{T}^k(M), \mathcal{T}(M)
\mathcal{S}^k(M), \mathcal{S}(M)
                                the tensor product of modules M and N over R
                                the k^{\text{th}} tensor power, and the tensor algebra of M the k^{\text{th}} symmetric power, and the symmetric algebra of M the k^{\text{th}} exterior power, and the exterior algebra of M
\bigwedge^k(M), \bigwedge(M)
                                the minimal, and characteristic polynomial of T
m_T(x), c_T(x)
                                the characteristic of the field F
ch(F)
K/F
                                the field K is an extension of the field F
                                the degree of the field extension K/F
[K:F]
F(\alpha), F(\alpha, \beta), etc.
                                the field generated over F by \alpha or \alpha, \beta, etc.
                                the minimal polynomal of \alpha over the field F
m_{\alpha,F}(x)
                                the group of automorphisms of a field K
Aut(K)
                                the group of automorphisms of a field K fixing the field F
Aut(K/F)
                                the Galois group of the extension K/F
Gal(K/F)
                                affine n-space
\mathbb{A}^n
k[\mathbb{A}^n], k[V]
                                the coordinate ring of \mathbb{A}^n, and of the affine algebraic set V
\mathcal{Z}(I), \mathcal{Z}(f)
                                the locus or zero set of I, the locus of an element f
\mathcal{I}(A)
                                the ideal of functions that vanish on A
rad I
                                the radical of the ideal 1
                                the associated primes for the module M
Ass_R(M)
Supp(M)
                                the support of the module M
D^{-1}R
                                the ring of fractions (localization) of R with respect to D
                                the localization of R at the prime ideal P, and at the element f
R_P, R_f
                                the local ring, and the tangent space of the variety V at the point v
\mathcal{O}_{v,V}, \mathbb{T}_{v,V}
                                the unique maximal ideal of \mathcal{O}_{v,V}
m_{v,V}
                                the prime spectrum, and the maximal spectrum of R
Spec R, mSpec R
                                the structure sheaf of X = \operatorname{Spec} R
\mathcal{O}_X
\mathcal{O}(U)
                                the ring of sections on an open set U in Spec R
\mathcal{O}_P
                                the stalk of the structure sheaf at P
                                the Jacobson radical of the ring R
Jac R
                                the n^{th} cohomology group derived from Hom_R
\operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{n}(A,B)
                                the n^{\text{th}} cohomology group derived from the tensor product over R
\operatorname{Tor}_n^R(A,B)
A^{G}
                                the fixed points of G acting on the G-module A
                                the n^{th} cohomology group of G with coefficients in A
H^n(G,A)
                                the restriction, and corestriction maps on cohomology
Res, Cor
Stab(1 \le A \le G)
                                the stability group of the series 1 \le A \le G
                                the norm of the character \theta
||\theta||
\operatorname{Ind}_H^G(\psi)
                                the character of the representation \psi induced from H to G
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