

# Math 115 - Final Review

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All of the material between the second midterm and the final.

## 1 Unit Groups

## 2 Gauss Sums

## 3 Jacobi Sums

Some initial definitions would help provide some context:

**Definition 1** (Multiplicative Character)

We call  $\chi$  a **multiplicative character** if  $\chi(ab) = \chi(a)\chi(b)$ , over all  $a, b \in F_p$ .

We have a couple other rules for this function:

1.  $\chi(1) = 1$
2.  $\chi(a)$ , over any  $a$ , is a  $p - 1$ th root of unity
3.  $\chi(a^{-1}) = \chi(a)^{-1} = \overline{\chi(a)}$ .

We also have the identity character  $\varepsilon$ , where  $\varepsilon(a) = 1$  over all  $a \in F_p$ .

**Definition 2** (Jacobi Sum)

The **Jacobi sum** of two multiplicative characters  $\chi, \lambda$ , given  $a, b \in F_p$  for some prime  $p$ , is  $J(\chi, \lambda) = \sum_{a+b=1} \chi(a)\lambda(b)$ .

There are also a couple theorems you should know, and one you should know the proof of:

**Theorem 3**

1.  $J(\varepsilon, \varepsilon) = p$ .
2.  $J(\varepsilon, \chi) = 0$ .
3.  $J(\chi, \chi^{-1}) = -\chi(-1)$ .
4. If  $\chi\lambda \neq \varepsilon$ , then

$$J(\chi, \lambda) = \frac{g(\chi)g(\lambda)}{g(\chi\lambda)}.$$

This one we need to prove: The first two statements can be done just by checking the sum over all  $a, b \in F_p$  such that  $a + b = 1$ .

The third statement is true because  $\chi(a)\chi^{-1}(b) = \chi(a)\chi(b^{-1}) = \chi\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$ , so we're summing over  $\chi(a(1-a)^{-1})$ . We see that this maps to every value but  $-1$ , so we have that our sum includes everything but  $\chi(-1)$ . But as the sum of everything is 0, we have  $J(\chi, \chi^{-1}) = -\chi(-1)$ .

The last statement is true because