

Formal group Law:

for a ring R , $\text{fgl}(R) = \left\{ F(x, y) \in R[[x, y]] \text{ (denoted } x +_F y \text{)} \text{ such that } \begin{array}{l} x +_F 0 = x, \quad x +_F y = y +_F x, \\ (x +_F (y +_F z)) = ((x +_F y) +_F z) \end{array} \right\}$

strictly isomorphism of fgl 's $F \rightarrow G$ is an element $\varphi \in R[[x]]$ s.t. φ invertible i.e. $\varphi'(0) = 1$

$$\varphi(x +_F y) = \varphi(x) +_G \varphi(y)$$

* See below

so we can think of $\text{fgl}(R)$ as a groupoid.

Invertible power series:

We say $\phi \in R[[x]]$ is invertible if $\exists \psi \in R[[x]]$ such that $\phi \circ \psi = \psi \circ \phi = x$.

If $\phi = x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3 + \dots$ then ϕ is always invertible as one can construct ψ inductively.

$$\text{Let } \psi = x + b_2 x^2 + b_3 x^3 + \dots$$

for example:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \circ \phi &= \phi + b_2 \phi^2 + b_3 \phi^3 + \dots \\ &= x + x^2 \cdot [a_2 + b_2] + x^3 [a_3 + 2a_2 b_2 + b_3] + \dots \\ \Rightarrow b_2 &= -a_2, \quad b_3 = -a_3 - 2a_2 b_2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Examples:
 - $x +_u y = x + y + ux y$, $u \in R$ a unit
 - $x +_T y = (x+y)/(1-xy)$
 - $x +_E y = (x\sqrt{1-y^4} + y\sqrt{1-x^4})/(1+x^2y^2)$ fgl over $\mathbb{Z}[1/2]$

\uparrow addition formula of the elliptic integral $\int_0^x \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-t^4}}$

Logarithm:

An iso morphism $\varphi: +_F \longrightarrow +$ is called a logarithm and denoted \log_F

• Over \mathbb{Q} : $+_u \xrightarrow{\cong} +$ via $\log_u(x) = \ln(1+ux)$

$$\log_u(x+y) = \ln(1+ux+uy+u^2xy) = \ln(1+ux) + \ln(1+uy)$$

$+_T \xrightarrow{\cong} +$ via $\log_T(x) = \tan^{-1}(x)$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{1-xy}\right) + \tan^{-1}(y)$$

Prop: Over \mathbb{Q} any fgl is isomorphic to $+$.

Proof: define

$$\log_F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{(2F/y)(t,0)} dt$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} [\log_F(x) + \log_F(y)] = \frac{1}{F_y(y,0)}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \log_F(x +_F y) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (x +_F y) \cdot \frac{1}{F_y(x +_F y, 0)}$$

Suffices to show:

$$\frac{1}{F_y(y,0)} = F_y(x, y) \cdot \frac{1}{F_y(x +_F y, 0)} \Leftrightarrow F_y(x +_F y, 0) = F_y(x, y) \cdot F_y(y, 0)$$

sanity check: $F(x, y) = x + y + ux y$

$$F_y(x, y) = 1 + ux$$

$$F(F(x, y), z) = F(x, F(y, z))$$

Chain Rule!

$$\text{LHS} = 1 + u(x + y + ux y, z)$$

Lazard Ring $\mathbb{Z}[[x_1, x_2, \dots]]$

$\exists!$ a ring \mathcal{L} and a fgl $F(x, y) = \sum a_{ij} x^i y^j \in fgl(\mathcal{L})$ st. \mathcal{L} rings R and $G \in fgl(R)$ \exists a map $\varphi: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow R$ such that $G(x, y) = \sum \varphi(a_{ij}) x^i y^j =: \varphi_* F$

grading: $|x| = |y| = -2$, $|a_{ij}| = 2(i+j-1)$, $|x_i| = 2i$
so that $F(x, y)$ is homogeneous of degree -2

over \mathbb{Q} :

$\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \mathbb{Q}[m_1, m_2, \dots]$, $F(x, y) = f^{-1}(f(x) + f(y))$ where $f(x) = x + \sum_{i>0} m_i x^{i+1}$, $|m_i| = 2i$

Given a $G \in fgl(A)$ we saw that $G(x, y) = \log_G^{-1}(\log_G(x) + \log_G(y))$ if A is a \mathbb{Q} -algebra.

So if $\log_G = x + \sum g_{ij} x^i y^j$ we can define

$$\varphi: \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow A, a_{ij} \mapsto g_{ij}$$

$f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[m_1, m_2, \dots] =: M \Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) \in M$
 \Rightarrow The map $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ factors through M

Lazard'

Thm: $x_i \in \mathcal{L}$ can be chosen so that $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ send x_i to pm_i if $i = p^k$, m_i else. Further $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ is injective.

Remark: There is a subtle point to be made here. Even though all fgl's over \mathbb{Q} has \log 's, they have non-trivial automorphisms which should be captured by the Lazard ring. Hence it is not correct to say $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \cong \mathbb{Q}$ and the fgl is $x+y$.

automorphisms:

Denote by $si(R) = \{(F, f, G) : F, G \in fgl(R), f: F \rightarrow G \text{ is a strict isomorphism}\}$

$si(\mathcal{L}) \cong \mathcal{LB} := \mathcal{L}[[b_1, b_2, \dots]]$, $|b_i| = 2i$

as every power series $f(x) = x + \sum b_i x^{i+1}$ gives an isomorphism & vice versa.

Lazard's theorem ...:

\mathcal{LB} corepresents the functor $si(-)$. Or $(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{LB})$ corepresent the monoid valued functor $(fgl(-), si(-))$.

$(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{LB})$ is a Hoff algebroid because $(fgl(-), si(-))$ is a groupoid

obj: $\mathcal{L} = \mathbb{Z}[[x_1, x_2, \dots]]$

$\{\cdot\} = \{F\}$

mor: $\mathcal{LB} = \mathcal{L}[[b_1, b_2, \dots]]$

$\{\cdot \rightarrow \cdot\} = \{(F, f, G)\}$

$\varepsilon: \mathcal{LB} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$

$F = \cdot \mapsto \circlearrowleft^{\text{id}} = (F, \text{id}, F)$

$b_i \mapsto 0$

$\eta_L: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{LB}$

$(F, f, G) = \circlearrowleft \rightarrow \circlearrowright \mapsto \circlearrowleft = F$

inclusion of coefficients

$\eta_R: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{LB}$

$(F, f, G) = \circlearrowleft \rightarrow \circlearrowright \mapsto \circlearrowleft = G = f(F)$

product : $\Delta : \mathcal{LB} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}_p} \mathcal{LB} \longrightarrow \mathcal{LB}$

$$(F, f, g) = \overset{a}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{b}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} \longmapsto \sum_c a \cdot \overset{c}{\underset{\overset{2}{\curvearrowright}}{\longrightarrow}} b = \sum (F, h, H), (H, g^{-1}, G)$$

antipode : $c : \mathcal{LB} \longrightarrow \mathcal{LB}$

$$(F, f, G) = \overset{a}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{b}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} \longmapsto \overset{b}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} \overset{a}{\underset{\cdot}{\longrightarrow}} = (G, f^{-1}, F)$$

p -typical fgf : - From now on all rings are $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ algebras

$$[n](x) := x +_F x +_F \dots +_F x \quad n\text{-times}$$

$$[\nu_n](x) = \text{inverse of } [n](x) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad [\nu_n]([n](x)) = x$$

Defⁿ: $F \in fgf(R)$ is p -typical if $\forall (n, p) = 1$

$$[\nu_n](x +_F \theta x + \dots +_F \theta^{n-1} x) = 0 \quad \text{where } \theta = e^{2\pi i/n}$$

We say $F \in fgfp(R)$.

Prop: If R is torsion free then F is p -typical iff $\log_F(x) = \sum_i d_i x^{p^i}$.

Proof: If $\log_F(x) = \sum_i d_i x^{p^i}$ then $\log_F(x +_F y) = \log_F(x) + \log_F(y)$

$$[\nu_n](x +_F \theta x +_F \dots +_F \theta^{n-1} x) = [\nu_n] \cdot (\log_F^{-1} [\log_F(x) + \log_F(\theta x) + \dots + \log_F(\theta^{n-1} x)])$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= [\nu_n] \log_F \left[\sum_i d_i [x^{p^i} + \theta^{p^i} x^{p^i} + \dots + \theta^{(n-1)p^i} x^{p^i}] \right] \\ &= [\nu_n] \log_F \left[\sum_i d_i x^{p^i} [0] \right] \quad \text{as } (n, p) = 1 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Conversely suppose $[\nu_n](x +_F \theta x +_F \dots +_F \theta^{n-1} x) = 0$ suppose n is prime.

then suppose $\log_F(x) = \sum m_i x^{i+1}$ where $m_i \in R \otimes \mathbb{Q}$

The above computation gives us

$$\log_F([\nu_n](x +_F \theta x +_F \dots +_F \theta^{n-1} x)) = \log_F([\nu_n] \cdot (\log_F^{-1} [\log_F(x) + \log_F(\theta x) + \dots + \log_F(\theta^{n-1} x)]))$$

$$= [\nu_n] \left[\sum_i m_{i-1} [x^i + \theta^i x^i + \dots + \theta^{i(n-1)} x^i] \right]$$

$$= [\nu_n] \left(\sum_i m_{i-1} \cdot x^i \cdot [\theta^{i(n-1)} / (\theta^{i-1})] \right)$$

$$= [\nu_n] \sum_i m_{i-1} \cdot x^i \cdot \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } (i, n) = 1 \\ n & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$= \sum_{i>0} m_{n-1} x^n$$

so p -typical $\Rightarrow m_{n-1} = 0$

□.

Thⁿ Carter: Every fgfp over a $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$ algebra is isomorphic to a p -typical one.

Universal p -typical fgl:

\exists a ring $V = \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}[[v_1, v_2, \dots]]$, $|v_i| = p^{n-i}$ and a universal fgl G/V which represents $\text{fgl}(V)$
 The map $L \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} \rightarrow V$ is split i.e. V is a direct summand of $L \otimes \mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$

The endomorphism $\text{slip}(-)$ is corepresented by $V[[t_1, t_2, \dots]]$. $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{slip}(R) = \{ (F, f, G) : F, G \in \text{fgl}(R), \\ |t_i| = p^{i-1} \} \\ \text{f strict iso?} \end{array} \right]$
 every endomorphism is of the form $\sum t_i x^{p^i}$

Height filtration: - All rings are \mathbb{Z}/p algebras and all fgl are p -typical

Def: A fgl has height n if $[p](x) = a_n x^{p^n} + \text{higher order terms}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cdot x+y : [p](x) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{ht} = \infty \\ & \cdot x+uy = x+y+u^p y \quad \log_u(x) = \log(1+ux) \\ & \quad \log_u([p](x)) = p \cdot \log_u(x) = p \cdot \log(1+ux) = \log((1+ux)^p) \quad \text{formally} \\ & \Rightarrow 1+u[p]x = (1+ux)^p \\ & \Rightarrow [p]x = \frac{1}{u} \cdot [(1+ux)^p - 1] = u^{p-1} x^p \\ & \Rightarrow \text{height} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cdot x+_{\mathbb{Z}} y = \frac{x+y}{1-xy} \quad \text{over prime } p=2 \quad [2](x)=0 \Rightarrow \text{ht} = \infty \\ & \quad \text{over odd prime } p \quad [p](x) = \tan(p \cdot \tan^{-1}(x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\cdot x+_{\mathbb{H}} y = (x\sqrt{1-y^2} + y\sqrt{1-x^2}) / (1+x^2y^2) \quad \text{over } \mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}] \quad \log_{\mathbb{H}}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1-t^4}}$$

Q: How do find the height of G and H ?

Every fgl defined using an elliptic curve has height 1 or 2.

Def: For n define a p -typical formal group law F_n of height n induced by

$$\theta: V \rightarrow R \quad , \quad v_n \mapsto 1 \quad v_i \mapsto 0 \text{ for } i \neq n.$$

Prop: Any fgl of height n is isomorphic to F_n .

Endomorphisms of F_n :

$E = \text{ring of endomorphisms of } F_n$

- E is a ring under composition and formal sum $+_{F_n}$
- E is a domain, $\text{ht}(f +_{F_n} g) = \text{ht}(f) + \text{ht}(g)$

Witt rings:

F_q field of q elements, $q = p^n$

$\varphi_n(x) \in \mathbb{Z}/p[x]$ be lifting of an irreducible poly of degree n over \mathbb{Z}/p

Def: Witt rings $W(F_{p^n}) \cong \mathbb{Z}_p[x]/\varphi_n(x)$

$E_n := W(F_{p^n})[S]/I$, $I = (S^n - 1, S^m - \omega^e S : \forall \omega \in W(F_{p^n}))$

Th^m: Endomorphism ring of $F_n \cong E_n$, $\omega \leftrightarrow x \mapsto \bar{\omega}x$, $S \leftrightarrow x \mapsto x^p$

For $F_\infty(x, y) = x + y$ $\text{End}(F_\infty) \cong \text{the non-commutative power series } R\langle\langle S \rangle\rangle / (S^a = a^p S, a \in R)$

$a \leftrightarrow x \mapsto ax$, $S \leftrightarrow x \mapsto x^p$