

What kind of informations do we want to get from **lattices**? (Goal)

- Basis, rank  $(\Lambda)$ , Vol  $(\Lambda)$ , sym bilinear forms
- Properties: integral, even, unimodular
- Dual lattice
- Theta fcts  $\Rightarrow$  modular form
- Aut  $(\Lambda) := \{f \in O(n) \mid f \text{ linear, } f(\Lambda) = \Lambda\}$
- $\mathbb{R}^n/\Lambda$ : an alg surf?
- as the intersection form of simply-connected mfld of dim 4.
- with Lie alg.

## Definitions [\[edit\]](#) [\[wiki: unimodular lattice\]](#)

- A **lattice** is a **free abelian group** of finite **rank** with a **symmetric bilinear form**  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ .
- The lattice is **integral** if  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  takes integer values.
- The **dimension** of a lattice is the same as its rank (as a **Z-module**).
- The **norm** of a lattice element  $a$  is  $(a, a)$ .
- A lattice is **positive definite** if the norm of all nonzero elements is positive.
- The **determinant** of a lattice is the determinant of the **Gram matrix**, a matrix with entries  $(a_i, a_j)$ , where the elements  $a_i$  form a basis for the lattice.
- An integral lattice is **unimodular** if its determinant is 1 or -1.
- A unimodular lattice is **even** or **type II** if all norms are even, otherwise **odd** or **type I**.
- The **minimum** of a positive definite lattice is the lowest nonzero norm.
- Lattices are often embedded in a real vector space with a symmetric bilinear form. The lattice is **positive definite**, **Lorentzian**, and so on if its vector space is.
- The **signature** of a lattice is the **signature** of the form on the vector space.

Q: Where do we meet the lattices?

A: everywhere which has something to do with **f.d linear space** or **f.g. Abelian group**  
over  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$

$$\bullet H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}) \xrightarrow{\text{Tor}} H^n(X, \mathbb{C})$$

$$\bullet \text{ in alg num theory: } \mathcal{O}_K \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\bullet \text{ in Lie algebra: } \begin{array}{l} \text{character module} \\ \text{cocharacter module} \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_K^{\times} \longrightarrow H \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{r_1+r_2}$$

$$X^*(T) := \text{Hom}(T, \mathbb{G}_m) \cong \mathbb{Z}^r$$

$$X_*(T) := \text{Hom}(\mathbb{G}_m, T) \cong \mathbb{Z}^r$$

Un exemple par jour

4.7. lattice in  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle, \rangle)$

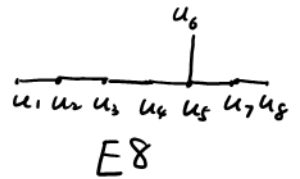
Today:  $E_8$  lattice

even coordinate system  $\Gamma_8 = \{(x_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^8 \cup (\mathbb{Z} + \frac{1}{2})^8 \mid \sum_i x_i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\}$

odd coordinate system  $\Gamma'_8 = \{(x_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^8 \mid \sum_i x_i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\} \cup \{(x_i) \in \mathbb{Z}^8 \mid \sum_i x_i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}\}$

1.  $\text{rank}(\Gamma_8) = 8$      $\text{Vol}(\Gamma_8) = 1$

$$[u_1, \dots, u_8] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & & & & & \\ -1 & 1 & & & & & & \\ & -1 & 1 & & & & & \\ & & -1 & 1 & & & & \\ & & & -1 & 1 & & & \\ & & & & -1 & 1 & & \\ & & & & & -1 & 1 & \\ & & & & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ & & & -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & & & & -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & & & & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & & & & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$\Rightarrow$  integral, even unimodular lattice.

**Prop.** If  $\Delta$  is integral, even unimodular lattice of rank 8, then  $\Delta \cong \Gamma_8$ .  
 We have classification of integral unimodular lattice of low rank.