Algebraic Number Theory

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0.1 Non archimedean valuations and *p*-adic numbers

Let a, b be 'large' positive integers, a > b and p a prime

Definition 0.1.1

For $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ we define the valuation of a $v_p(a)$ as the largest power of p dividing a, that is

$$a = p^m \cdot n, \ (n, p) = 1 \implies v_p(a) = m.$$

From that we conclude $a \in \mathbb{Z} \implies v_p(a) = v_p(|a|)$ and $a = \frac{a_1}{a_2} \in \mathbb{Q} \implies v_p(a) = v_p(a_1) - v_p(a_2)$.

$$|a|_p = p^{-v_p(a)}$$

This is an absolute value

1.
$$|a|_n = 0 \iff a = 0$$

2.
$$|a+b|_p \le |a|_p + |b|_p$$

 $|a+b|_p \le \max\{|a|_p, |b|_p\} \ ultra-metric$

We can endow \mathbb{Q} with the p-adic metric and build Cauchy sequences. Let \mathcal{C} be the space of Cauchy sequences on \mathbb{Q} with respect to $|\cdot|_p$ and let $\mathcal{N} = \{z = (z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mid z \in \mathcal{C}, \lim_{n \to \infty} (z_n) = 0\}$. Then \mathcal{C} ist an integral ring and \mathcal{N} is a maximal ideal therein. So \mathcal{C}/\mathcal{N} is a field called \mathbb{Q}_p .

Example 0.1.2: $z = (1, p, p^2, \dots, p^n, \dots) \in \mathcal{N}, |p^n|_p = p^{-n} \to 0$. Note that a power series $f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n z^n, |a_n + a_{n+1}| \le \max\{a_n, a_{n+1}\} \text{ verifies } |\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n z^n|_p \le |a_n z^n| \text{ off falling } a_n z^n$

Definition 0.1.3

For
$$x \in \mathbb{Q}_p$$
 we define $|x|_p = \lim |x_n|_p$ with $|x_n| \to x$
 $\mathbb{Z}_p = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}_p \mid v_p(x) \ge 0\} = \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{Z})/\mathcal{N}/(\mathbb{Z})$ (valuation ring of \mathbb{Q}_p)

$$(\mathbb{Z}_p/p^n\mathbb{Z}_p)\cong (\mathbb{Z}/p^n\mathbb{Z})$$