

1. Problem of Hecke.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ \lambda & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

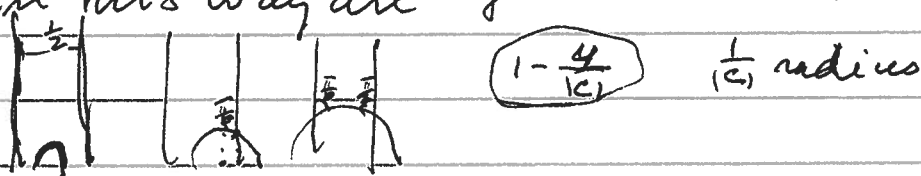
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}; S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \eta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = S^{\frac{\lambda-2c\sqrt{d}}{7}} \lambda > 1$$

$$M = S^{\frac{a}{c}} T_c S^{\frac{d}{c}}; T_c = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{c} \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix}; T_c^2 = -E$$

$$S^{n_0} M S^{n_1} M^{-1} S^{n_2} M \dots S^{n_k} M^{(-1)^k} S^{n_{k+1}}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \frac{a}{c} & k \text{ odd} \\ \frac{a}{c} & k \text{ even} \end{matrix} S^{\frac{a}{c}} \left( S^{n_0} T_c S^{n_1} T_c \dots S^{n_k} T_c S^{n_{k+1}} \right) S^{\frac{a}{c}}$$

Thus.  $(M, P)$  discrete only if  $(T_c, P)$  discrete.  
 can be completely solved. all discrete groups generated in this way are generalized triangle groups.



case  $n$  copies of hyperbolic planes  $Z = (Z^{(1)} \dots Z^{(n)})$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^{(i)} & \beta^{(i)} \\ \gamma^{(i)} & \delta^{(i)} \end{pmatrix} \quad i=1 \dots n; N(\alpha) = \prod \alpha^{(i)}$$

$a, b, c, \dots$  integers.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = S^\omega; P \text{ generated by } S^{\xi_1} \dots S^{\xi_n}$$

$\xi_i$  linearly independent over rationals.  $P$  discrete.  
 but projection of  $P$  on any subspace (by dropping some of the components. not discrete (means that closure will contain at least one one parameter group depending on a continuous variable).

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adjoin  $M = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix}$  not in  $\mathcal{P}$  to  $\mathcal{P}$ , where is resulting group discrete?

1. Either all  $\gamma^{(i)} = 0$  or all  $\gamma^{(i)} \neq 0$ , seen by forming commutators  $[M, S^{\omega_1}], [M, S^{\omega_1}], S^{\omega_2}]$  for the (i) for which  $\gamma^{(i)} = 0$ , the (i) component is the identity, whereas ~~for~~ the (i) for which  $\gamma^{(i)} \neq 0$ ; we see it cannot be discrete, its closure contains elements that depend on at least one continuous parameter.

Case when all  $\gamma^{(i)} = 0$  fairly trivial, so continue with case all  $\gamma^{(i)} \neq 0$ .

2. Then we shall show  $N(\gamma\omega) \geq 1$  for all  $\omega \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{P}$ . Conclusions  $|N(\omega)|$  for  $\omega \neq 0$  bounded from below by positive bound. and given  $\mathcal{P}$ , permissible  $\gamma$  have  $N(\gamma)$  bounded from below.

Sketch of proof.

consider  $M$  and  $T_\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{\gamma} \\ \gamma & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ;  $M = S^{\frac{\alpha}{\gamma}} T_\gamma S^{\frac{\beta}{\gamma}}$

If  $M$  is permissible then compare

$$M_k = S^{\omega_0} M S^{\omega_1} M^{-1} S^{\omega_2} \dots S^{\omega_k} M \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}^k S^{\omega_{k+1}}$$

with

$$M_k^* = S^{\omega_0} T_\gamma S^{\omega_1} \dots S^{\omega_k} T_\gamma S^{\omega_{k+1}}$$

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with  $\omega_0 = 0$ ;  $\omega_1 = \omega$ ,  $\omega_2 = 0$

$M_2$  becomes  $\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ -\omega\gamma^2 & * \end{pmatrix}$

repeating this process after  $k$  steps we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ -\omega^{2^k-1}\gamma^{2^k} & * \end{pmatrix}$$

and once more with a different  $\omega^*$ .

we get

$$M_k^* = \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ -\omega^* \omega^{2^{k+1}-2} \gamma^{2^{k+1}} & * \end{pmatrix}$$

let  $\Omega = \left( \sum_j^{(i)} \right)$  if  $|N(\omega\gamma)| < 1$ ;

$$D = \|\Omega\|$$

choose  $k$  so large that

$$\frac{N(\gamma^2) N(\omega\gamma)^{2^{k+1}-2}}{\epsilon_k} \leq \frac{\epsilon_k^m}{\|\Omega\| D}$$

according to a theorem of Minkowski

$\exists \omega^* \neq 0$  such that

$$|\omega^{*(i)}| \leq t_i \text{ if } \prod t_i \geq \|\Omega\| D$$

thus  $\exists \omega^*$  such that all components of  $\left( -\omega^* \omega^{2^{k+1}-2} \gamma^{2^{k+1}} \right)^{(i)} \leq \epsilon_k$

By suitable multiplication on left and right with suitable  $S^\omega$  we can bring  $(S^{\omega_1} * M_k * S^{\omega_2})^{(i)}$  on  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 + O(\varepsilon_k^{(i)}) & \beta_k^{(i)} \\ \varepsilon_k^{(i)} & 1 + O(\varepsilon_k^{(i)}) \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $|\varepsilon_k^{(i)}| \leq \varepsilon_k$

we see that also  $\beta_k^{(i)}$  remains bounded so these elements all lie in a compact region and are different, which contradicts discreteness. This proves  $|N(\gamma\omega)| \geq 1$ .

Next form  $M_3$  with  $\omega_0 \neq 0$ ;  $\omega_3 \neq 0$ , we get

$$\gamma_3 = \omega_1 \omega_2 \gamma^3 - \gamma$$

Let  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq n$ ; and let  $T$  be chosen large

By Dirichlet's theorem  $\exists \omega_i \neq 0$  such that

$$|\omega_i^{(j)}| \leq D^{\frac{1}{n}} T$$

$$|\omega_i^{(i)}| \leq D^{\frac{1}{n}} \frac{1}{T} \text{ for } i = j$$

$$|\omega_i^{(n)}| \leq D^{\frac{1}{n}} \text{ for } n \neq i, j$$

and for  $\omega_2$  same inequalities with  $i$  and  $j$  interchanged. Thus  $\exists \omega_1, \omega_2 \neq 0$  with

$$|\omega_1^{(n)} \omega_2^{(n)}| \leq D^{\frac{2}{n}} \text{ for all } (n); \text{ since}$$

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also  $|N(\gamma^2 \omega, \omega_2)| \geq 1$  we also get the lower bound

$$| \begin{matrix} (n) \\ \omega_1, \omega_2 \end{matrix} | \geq \frac{1}{N(\gamma^2)} D^{-\frac{2(n-1)}{n}}$$

Can in  $M_3$  bring  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_3 & \beta_3 \\ \gamma_3 & \delta_3 \end{pmatrix}$  into a compact region by suitable choice of  $\omega_0$  and  $\omega_3$  ~~and~~ (The possibility that  $\gamma_3 \equiv 0$  can be avoided by in that case putting in a factor 2 in front of  $\omega_1$ , so we can get a lower bound for components of  $(\gamma_3)$  thus we get as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  an infinite number of elements in a compact region, only a finite number of them can be different without violating discreteness. Thus equating  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  for two  $T$  of different order of magnitude we get a quadratic relation between the  $\xi_k \xi_e$  with integral coefficients which can be asymptotically computed; let  $\omega_1 = \sum a_k \xi_k$ ;  $\omega_2 = \sum b_e \xi_e$ , let  $a$ , and  $b$  denote column vectors then  $\Omega a = \omega_1$ ;  $\Omega b = \omega_2$  or  $a = \Omega^{-1} \omega_1$ ;  $b = \Omega^{-1} \omega_2$

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let  $\omega_1^{(i)} = T \theta^{(i,j)}$ ,  $\omega_2^{(j)} = T \theta^{(j,i)}$ ;  $\Omega^{-1} = (\rho_k^{(i)})$

then  $a_k = \rho_k^{(i)} T \theta^{(i,j)} + O(1)$

and  $b_e = \rho_e^{(j)} T \theta^{(j,i)} + O(1)$

and we have a relations

$$\sum C_{k,e} \xi_k \xi_e = 0$$

with

$$C_{k,e}^{(i,j)} = \xi_{k,e} T^2 \left( \rho_k^{(i)} \rho_e^{(j)} + \rho_k^{(j)} \rho_e^{(i)} \right) \theta^{(i,j)} \theta^{(j,i)} + O(T)$$

$\xi_{k,e} = 1; k \neq e;$   
 $\xi_{k,e} = \frac{1}{2}; k = e$

If the determinant  $1 \leq i < j \leq n; 1 \leq k \leq e \leq n-1$

$$\left( C_{k,e}^{(i,j)} \right) \neq 0$$

one get for  $1 \leq k, e \leq n-1$

$$\xi_k \xi_e = \sum d_n^{(k,e)} \xi_n \xi_n$$

with rational  $d_n^{(k,e)}$ . Clearly this will happen for  $T$  large enough if  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$  matrix.

\*  $\left( \rho_k^{(i)} \rho_e^{(j)} + \rho_k^{(j)} \rho_e^{(i)} \right) \xi_{k,e}$  is nonsingular.

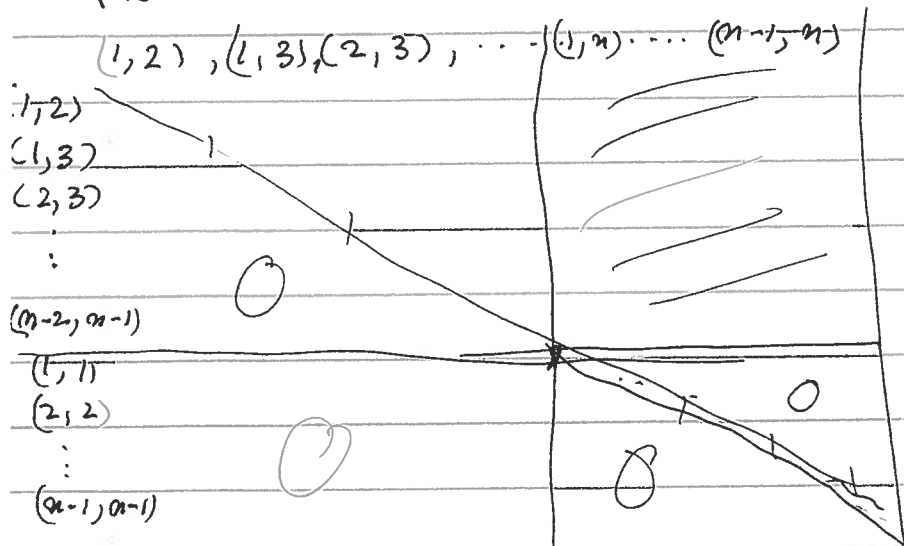
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Here we can remark that we could replace  $\Omega$  with any  $\Omega A$  which is <sup>A integral</sup> unimodular and still would have the same lattice  $P$ ; and if we only say  $A$  integral nonsingular we would get a sublattice of finite index in  $P$ . Since everything is homogeneous we see that if we form  $\Omega'$  where  $\Omega' = \Omega R$  where  $R$  is any rational nonsingular  $n \times n$  matrix it is enough if for the resulting  $\Omega'$  the matrix (\*) is nonsingular. But ~~by~~ since multiply the nonsingular matrices  $R^{-1}$  are everywhere dense in the set of all <sup>real</sup>  $n \times n$  matrices it follows that it is enough for us to display one real matrix for which  $(p_j^{(i)})$  for which (\*) is nonsingular. We choose

$$p_k^{(i)} = 1 \text{ for } k = i \leq n-1$$

$$p_k^{(i)} = 0 \text{ for } k \neq i \leq n-1$$

$$p_k^{(n)} = 1 \text{ for all } k.$$



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It is easy to see that every  $\omega$  satisfies an equation of degree  $\xi^n$  at most  $n$  with integral coefficients can form a linear comb with integral  $a_k$  such that

$$\frac{\omega}{\xi^n} = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} a_k \frac{\xi^k}{\xi^n}$$

satisfies generates the field  $(\frac{\xi^1}{\xi^n}, \dots, \frac{\xi^{n-1}}{\xi^n})$

This must be of degree  $n$  since it contains  $n$  linearly independent over the rationals  $(\frac{\xi^1}{\xi^n}, \dots, \frac{\xi^{n-1}}{\xi^n}, 1)$ ; thus if we

do a conjugacy so that  $\xi^n = 1$ , we find that the  $\omega^{(i)}$  are the  $n$  conjugates of numbers in a totally real field of degree  $n$ . By a suitable additional conjugacy we can obtain that the  $\omega$  contain the set of all integers in the field.

Next we wish to show that  $\gamma^2$  is an integer in this field. We must first show that  $\gamma^2$  lies in the field.

We go back to the  $M_3$  we constructed.

with  $\gamma_3 = \omega_1 \omega_2 \gamma^3 - \gamma$ ; if we compute  $\alpha_3$  we find  $\alpha_3 = \omega_0 \omega_1 \omega_2 \gamma^3 - \gamma(\omega_0 + \omega_2)$



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can ~~adjust~~ only finitely many of these were different, we get

$$\omega_1, \omega_2 = \omega_1^*, \omega_2^*$$

$$\text{and } \gamma^2 \omega_0 \omega_1 \omega_2 \neq \omega_0 - \omega_2 = \gamma^2 \omega_0 \omega_1^* \omega_2^* - \omega_0 - \omega_2^*$$

Here  $\omega_1^*$  and  $\omega_2^*$  are different from  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  but we get

$$\gamma^2 (\omega_0 - \omega_0^*) \omega_1 \omega_2 = \omega_0 + \omega_2 - \omega_0^* - \omega_2^*$$

If  $\omega_0 - \omega_0^* = 0$  then we would get  $\omega_2 = \omega_2^*$ ,

so  $\omega_0 - \omega_0^* \neq 0$  and we get

$$\gamma^2 = \frac{\omega_4}{\omega_5 \omega_1 \omega_2} \quad \text{so } \gamma^2 \text{ is in the}$$

field.

The more complicated step is to show that  $\gamma^2$  is necessarily an integer. This proof is complicated but involves considering

$$M_4 = T_\gamma S^{\omega_1} T_\gamma S^{\omega_2} T_\gamma S^{\omega_3} T_\gamma$$

$$\text{we find } \delta_4 = \omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3 \gamma^4 - (\omega_1 + \omega_3) \gamma^2$$

If we can make

$$* \quad \omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3 \gamma^2 = \omega_1 + \omega_3$$

we get  $\delta_4 = 0$ . If we compute the trace of

$M_4$  assuming  $*$  we find it to be

$* \left( \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_3} + \frac{\omega_3}{\omega_1} \right)$  so the diagonal elements of  $M_4$

are  $\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_3}$  and  $\frac{\omega_3}{\omega_1}$ . If  $\gamma^2$  is not an integer

can show that we can at least go to another admissible  $\gamma$  such that  $*$  is solvable with  $\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_3}$  not a unit.

This leads to a simple contradiction.

by now considering  $M^k = \sigma(M) = \rho + \frac{1}{\rho}$

$$\gamma_k = \frac{\rho^{k+1} - \rho^{-k-1}}{\rho - \frac{1}{\rho}} \gamma \quad \text{we see this must be}$$

integer this means that  $\rho$  and  $\rho^{-1}$  must be algebraic integers. So the trace of  $M$  is an integer, whose square is seen to lie in the field. by <sup>suitable</sup> conjugacy can show that  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  products of any two and the squares are in  $k$ . Can conclude that any group obtain