

① Formal Groups are a useful tool for studying E.C. They pop up all over

A formal group law (f_g) over R (comm ring) is power series $F(X,Y) \in R[[X,Y]]$

① $F(X,Y) = X+Y + (\text{terms of deg} \geq 2)$

② $F(X, F(Y,Z)) = F(F(X,Y), Z)$

③ $F(X,Y) = F(Y,X)$

④ $F(X,0) = X$ & $F(0,Y) = Y$

⑤ $\exists i(T) \in R[[T]]$ s.t. $F(T, i(T)) = 0$

~~What is a formal gp?~~
"formal gp"

"gp law w/o gpe's"

Ex: $\hat{G}_a$ = formal additive gp, given by $F(X,Y) = X+Y$

$\hat{G}_m$ = formal multiplicative gp, given by $F(X,Y) = X+Y+XY$

Why should we care?

after change of coords

We want to study E locally. Open sets are dense so not a topologists version of locally. You can try Euclidean top, but still ∞ -many pts in U

Best way: move from geo side to alg side & look at $K[E]_0$

after change of coords $z = -\frac{x}{y}, w = -\frac{1}{y}$ (so $x = \frac{z}{w}$ & $y = -\frac{1}{w}$)

Then z = local uniformizer @ O , i.e. has zero of order 1 at O

$$W = z^3 + a_1 z w + a_2 z^2 w + a_3 w^2 + a_4 z w^2 + a_5 w^3 = f(z,w)$$

Plug w into self over R over: get $w = z^3 (1 + A_1 z + A_2 z^2 + \dots) \in \mathbb{Z}[a_1, \dots, a_5][z]$

② Prove that this procedure converges to a power series is Hensel's Lemma

b/c R is complete w.r.t. (z) & we can get ~~$f(z) - b = 0$~~ for $b \in R, b \equiv 0 \pmod{z^n}$

from $w_0 = 0, w_{m+1} = w_m + f(z, w) - w$

• We have a Laurent Series for x & y : $x(z) = \frac{z}{w(z)}, y(z) = -\frac{1}{w(z)}$

$x(z)$ & $y(z)$ are sol'n to W.E.

Can we plug in $z \in k$ & find pts on E ? $[k = \text{complete local field}, R, m, k]$

$M \hookrightarrow E(k)$ by $z \mapsto (x(z), y(z))$

• Is there a power series to add them? Yes! $(z_1, w(z_1)) \oplus (z_2, w(z_2)) = F(z_1, z_2)$
by finding eqn of line b/t them, intersecting w/ E , & flipping w.r.t. $i(T)$

• Recall: w/ conditions on R , f, g over $R \Rightarrow \exists$ group $\mathcal{F}(M) = (M, \oplus_{\mathcal{F}})$ b/c $x \oplus_{\mathcal{F}} y = F(x, y)$ conv.

So we have just proven $\hat{E}(M) \hookrightarrow E(k)$ is a gp homo.

Indeed, $\hat{E}(M) \hookrightarrow E(k)$ by $z \mapsto (\frac{z}{w(z)}, -\frac{1}{w(z)})$ (b/c $w(z) = 0$ only if $z = 0$)

Also $E(k) \hookrightarrow \hat{E}(M)$ by $(x, y) \mapsto -\frac{x}{y}$ & composition is id so $\hat{E}(M) \cong E(k)$

$$E(k) = \{P \in E(k) \mid \tilde{P} = \tilde{0}\}$$

• Thus, $0 \rightarrow \hat{E}(M) \rightarrow E(k) \rightarrow \tilde{E}(k) \rightarrow 0$ & $0 \rightarrow \hat{E}(M) \rightarrow E_0(k) \rightarrow \tilde{E}_{ns}(k) \rightarrow 0$

Reduce study of $E(k)$ to study of $\hat{E}(M)$ & $\tilde{E}(k)$.

• Analogy: $0 \rightarrow \hat{G}_a(M) \rightarrow R \xrightarrow{R/M} k \rightarrow 0$ & $1 \rightarrow \hat{G}_m(M) \rightarrow R^* \xrightarrow{R^*/M} k^* \rightarrow 1$

③ Why 'else' should I care?

$$\left| \frac{E(k)}{mE(k)} \right| \ll \infty \quad \forall m$$

→ FGLs use ~~the~~ in proof of weak Mordell Weil b/c $[m]$ is iso if $p \nmid m$
 $[m] = \text{apply } F \text{ } m \text{ times b/c } F^m +$
 so $\hat{E}(m)[m] = 0$

→ Height of $f: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ is h s.t. 1st nonzero term in f 's power series exp is ax^{p^h}

Height of $\mathbb{P}^1$ is $h(\mathbb{P}^1)$

$$\text{Height}(\hat{E}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E \text{ ordinary} \\ 2 & \text{if } E \text{ supersingular (i.e. } E[p^r](\bar{k}) = 0 \quad \forall r) \end{cases}$$

→ Given $L(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^{-s}$, set $f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \frac{x^n}{n}$ "like Taylor Exp of log"

$$\text{then } F(x, y) = f^{-1}(f(x) + f(y))$$

inv differential

More generally, use differential forms from GSS to define $\log_{\mathbb{P}^1}(T) = \int \omega(T)$

$$= \int (1 + c_1 T + c_2 T^2 + \dots) dT = T + \frac{c_1}{2} T^2 + \frac{c_2}{3} T^3 + \dots \in K[[T]] \text{ for } K = \mathbb{R} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

Then for torsion-free R , $\log_{\mathbb{P}^1}: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \hat{G}_a$ is iso over K

i.e. much of $\mathbb{P}^1(m)$ looks additive

$$\text{i.e. } F(x, y) = \log_{\mathbb{P}^1}^{-1}(\log_{\mathbb{P}^1}(x) + \log_{\mathbb{P}^1}(y))$$

For $\hat{E}(m)$, ~~the~~ inv differential is $\frac{dx(z)}{2y(z) + a_1 x(z) + a_3}$ as in class

→ Formal Gps can be used to construct extensions of local fields with specified ramification