

u_n is an LRS of order 2.

$$u_{m+2} = c_1 u_{m+1} + c_2 u_m$$

$$c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$u_0, u_1 \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$x^2 - c_1 x - c_2 = 0$$

$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ roots.

$$\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$$

$$u_n = a_1 \lambda_1^n + a_2 \lambda_2^n$$

where $a_1, a_2 \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$$

$$u_n = a_1 n \lambda_1^n + a_2 \lambda_2^n.$$

$\langle u_m \rangle$

$\exists m. u_m = 0$?

$$u_m = a m \lambda^m + b \lambda^m$$

$$u_m = 0 \quad (\Rightarrow)$$

$$a m \lambda^m + b \lambda^m = 0$$

$$a m + b = 0$$

$$a, b \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \cap \mathbb{Q}$$

Just solve ...

$$u_m = a_1 \lambda_1^m + a_2 \lambda_2^m$$

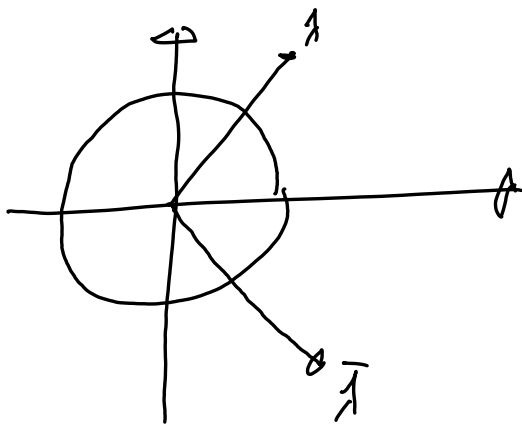
$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_2|$$

$$a_1 \lambda_1^m = -a_2 \lambda_2^m$$

$$-\frac{a_1}{a_2} = \left(\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1}\right)^m \quad \text{So place bound on } m.$$

$$u_n = a \lambda^n + \bar{a} \bar{\lambda}^n.$$



$$u_n = 0$$

$$a \lambda^n + \bar{a} \bar{\lambda}^n = 0$$

\Leftrightarrow

$a \lambda^n$ lies on the imaginary axis.

$$\text{Let } v = \frac{1}{|\lambda|} \quad |v| = 1$$

$$\frac{u_n}{|\lambda|^n} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad u_n = 0$$

$$\frac{w_n}{|z|^n} = a r^n + \bar{a} \bar{r}^n$$

$a r^n$ lies on the imaginary axis ($\Rightarrow u_n = 0$)

$$\Leftrightarrow a r^n = ic \quad c \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow r^n = \frac{ic}{a} \quad \left| \frac{c}{a} \right| = 1$$

$r^n = \beta$ where β
is some
algebraic
number

$$\beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \quad |\beta| = 1.$$

Need to solve:

Given $\alpha, \beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$,
determine if $n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t.

$$\alpha^n = \beta.$$

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Computing with
Algebraic numbers

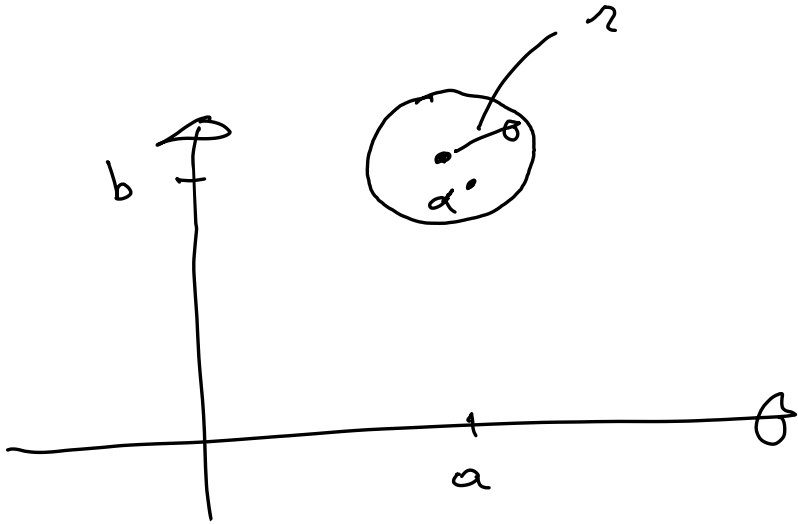
Represent algebraic
numbers α as follows

(p, a, b, r) , where

$p \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ is the minimal
polynomial of
 α

$a, b, r \in \mathbb{Q}$ s.t.

α is the unique root of p within r of $a + bi$.



If $p(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_t x^t$

$$\deg(p) = t$$

$$\text{Height}(p) = H(p) =$$

$$\max \{ |a_0|, \dots, |a_t| \}$$

Theorem (Mignotte)

If $\alpha, \beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ roots of P , then $(\alpha \neq \beta)$

$$|\alpha - \beta| > \frac{\sqrt{6}}{d^{\frac{d+1}{2}} \cdot H^{d-1}}$$

Claim:

Given canonical representations of $\alpha, \beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$, one can compute canonical representations of $\alpha + \beta$, $\alpha \cdot \beta$, $\frac{1}{\alpha}$, $\sqrt[k]{\alpha}$, α^k , ...

$\alpha^m = \beta$ for some $m \in \mathbb{N}$?

$\exists m \alpha^m = 1$?

If α is r.o.u. then
 α is a root of
 $x^2 - 1$.

$$\deg(\alpha) > \frac{r}{283 \log \log r}$$

so can check

Place bound on
maximum value of
 r , then check

$\alpha^m = 1$ for $m = 1, 2, \dots$
bound.

$$\exists n \alpha^n = \beta ?$$

Algebraic integer:

Algebraic number

root of a polynomial

$p \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ s.t. leading
coeff. is 1.

$$p(x) = x^d + a_1 x^{d-1} + \dots + a_d$$

where $a_1, \dots, a_d \in \mathbb{Z}$.

\mathcal{O} = ring of alg.
integers.

Wont unique factorisation
via theory of ideals.

An ideal I is a set of algebraic integers closed under addition and multiplication by alg. integers.

$I \subseteq \mathcal{O}$
 I is an ideal $(\Rightarrow$

$$I \neq \emptyset$$

$$\alpha, \beta \in I \Rightarrow \alpha + \beta \in I$$

$$\alpha \in I \quad r \in \mathcal{O} \Rightarrow$$

$$r \cdot \alpha \in I.$$

A, B are ideals

$$A \cdot B = [\alpha \cdot \beta \mid \alpha \in A, \beta \in B]$$

For any $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$

$$[\alpha] = p_1 \cdot \dots \cdot p_k$$

where p_1, \dots, p_k

are prime ideals,

and this is unique
up to order.

p is a prime ideal

(\Rightarrow)

$$p = A \cdot B, \quad p = A \text{ or} \\ p = B.$$

$$v_p : \mathcal{O} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$[\alpha] = p_1^{k_1} \dots p_r^{k_r}$$

$$v_p(\alpha) = \begin{cases} k_i & \text{if } p = p_i \\ 0 & \text{if } p \notin \{p_1, \dots, p_r\} \end{cases}$$

$$v_p(0) = \infty$$

$$v_p : \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\alpha \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \quad \exists \beta \in \mathcal{O} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\beta}{m} \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$v_p(\alpha) = v_p(\beta) - v_p(m)$$

$$\exists n \alpha^n = \beta.$$

Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{O}$

Let $p \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ be the minimal polynomial of α .

Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d$ be the roots of p .

Let $\alpha = \alpha_1$. Then

$\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_d$ are the

Galois conjugates of α .

For each $i \in \{2, \dots, d\}$

there is a field isomorphism

$$\sigma_i : \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\sigma_i(\alpha) = \alpha_i.$$

Sp. that

$$|\alpha_1|, \dots, |\alpha_d| \leq 1.$$

Then α is a r.o.u.

(In other words,

if α is not a r.o.u.

then some Galois

conjugate of α

has modulus > 1 .)

[Kronecker]

$$\exists n \quad \alpha^n = \beta \quad (\alpha, \beta \in \bar{\mathbb{Q}})$$

$$|\alpha| \neq 1. \quad \boxed{|\alpha| \in \mathbb{Q}}$$

Place bound on n
and check manually. ✓

$|\alpha| = 1$, first check if
 α is a r.o.u. ✓

$|\alpha| = 1$, α is not a r.o.u.

Then $\exists \alpha'$ Galois conj.
of α s.t. $|\alpha'| > 1$.

σ field isomorphism

$$\sigma(\alpha) = \alpha'$$

$$\alpha^n = \beta \implies \sigma(\alpha^n) = \sigma(\beta)$$

$$\implies (\sigma(\alpha))^n = \sigma(\beta)$$

$$\implies (\alpha')^n = \sigma(\beta) \dots \checkmark$$

$$|\alpha| = 1, \alpha \neq 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\gamma}{m} \quad m > 1$$

there is some ideal \mathfrak{P}

$$v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\alpha) \neq 0$$

$$v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\alpha) = v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\gamma) - v_{\mathfrak{P}}(m).$$

$$\alpha^m = \beta$$

$$v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\alpha^m) = v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\beta)$$

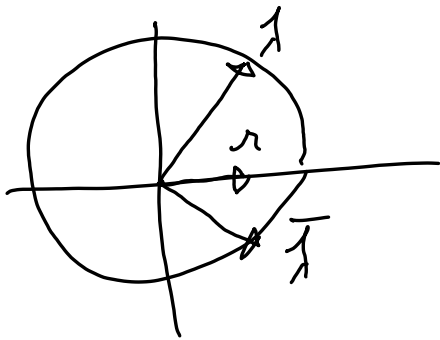
$$m \cdot v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\alpha) = v_{\mathfrak{P}}(\beta)$$

Places a bound on m

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SKOLEM of ORDER 3



$$\lambda \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$$

$$r \in \mathbb{R} \cap \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$$

$$|\lambda| = |\bar{\lambda}| = 1, \quad r < 1$$

$\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, r$ are the char. roots.

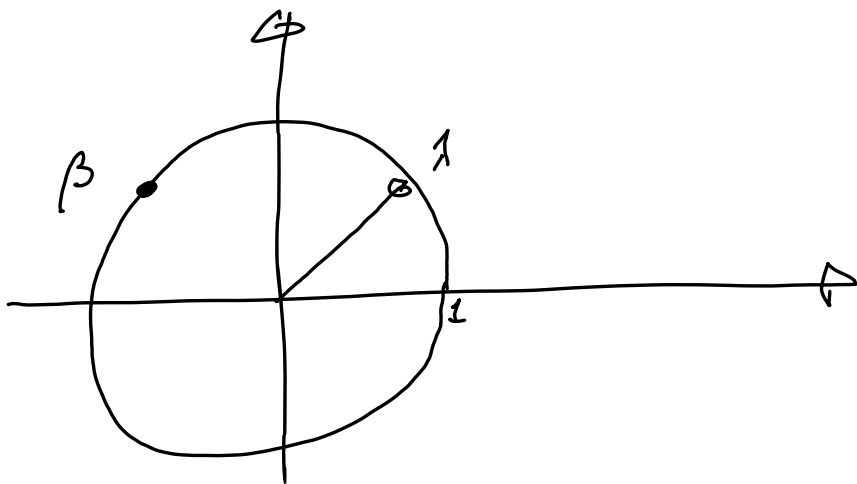
$$u_m = a\lambda^m + \bar{a}\bar{\lambda}^m + br^m.$$

$$\exists m. u_m = 0 ?$$

Let $\beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ s.t.

$$a\beta + \bar{a}\bar{\beta} = 0.$$

If $u_n = 0$ and n is "large", then $|z^{-n}|$ is "small" so $|1^n - \beta|$ must be "small".



Baker's Theorem says that if $1^n \neq \beta$, then

$$|1^n - \beta| > \frac{C}{P(n)}$$

where $C > 0$ and $P \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$

Because λ is not a
r.o.c., $\lambda^n = \beta$ can
happen at most once.

You can check, for that
value of n , whether
 $u_n = 0$. Sp. not.

$$\lambda^n \neq \beta$$

$$|\lambda^n - \beta| > \frac{c}{p(n)}$$

Because $b \cdot r^n \rightarrow 0$ exp. fast.
eventually $|b r^n| < \frac{c}{p(n)}$

for all suff. large n .

So for n larger than
this bound

$$|u_n| = |a \lambda^n + \bar{a} \bar{\lambda}^n + b r^n| > 0.$$

$$A \in \mathbb{Q}^{d \times d}$$

states $1, \dots, d$

$$(1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$(1, 0, \dots, 0) A^n \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = u_n$$

$\langle u_n \rangle$ is an LRS.

Halt if $u_n = 0$

$x := a$

WHILE $u \cdot x \neq 0$ DO

$x := Ax$

Does this loop halt?

$$\exists n \quad u \cdot A^n a = 0 ?$$