

Algebraic Number Theory

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Lecture 26

Lemma. Suppose $F(T) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i T^i \in L[[T]]$. Let $A_{s,m}$ be the $(m+1) \times (m+1)$ matrix $(b_{ij})_{0 \leq i,j \leq m}$, where $b_{ij} = a_{s+i+j}$. Then $F(T)$ is the expansion at 0 of a rational function if and only if there exists $m \geq 0$ such that $\det A_{s,m} = 0$ for s sufficiently large.

Now suppose $m \geq 0$ is such that $\det A_{s,m} = 0$ for $s \geq S$ and there is no smaller m with this property. Claim: $\det A_{s,m-1} \neq 0$ for $s \geq S$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ a_3 & a_4 & a_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Lemma. $Z(X, T) \in \mathbf{Z}[[T]]$.

Lemma. The coefficient of T^i in $Z(X, T)$ is at most q^{ni} .

Theorem. $Z(X, T)$ is meromorphic.

Weiersträss Preparation

For any R , $Z(X, T) = F_R(T)/P_R(T)$.