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Lecture Title:

Liftableness of torsion elements in $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$

Abstract

Consider the representation $\operatorname{Out}(F_n) \to \operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$. We would like to answer the question whether all torsion elements in $\operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$ can be lifted to torsion elements in $\operatorname{Out}(F_n)$. We use a geometric approach towards torsion elements in $\operatorname{Out}(F_n)$ and use algebraic number theory to study torsion elements in $\operatorname{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$. For a matrix with prime order p where $p \leq 19$, it is always liftable. For $n \geq 22$, there always exists an order 23 matrix that can not be lifted to $\operatorname{Out}(F_n)$.