

# The Heisenberg curve in Arithmetic Topology

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# What is Arithmetic Topology?



Mazur, B.: Remarks on the Alexander polynomial. Unpublished Note (1963 or 1964)

Mazur, B.: Notes on étale cohomology of number fields, . Ann. Sci. Éc. Norm. Super. (4) 6, 521–552 (1973)

## Mazur-Morishita-Kapranov-Reznikov dictionary

$$S^1 \hookrightarrow M$$

Knot

Link  $S^1 \amalg S^1 \amalg \cdots \amalg S^1$   
conjugacy class of braids

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\mathbb{F}_p) \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_k)$$

Prime Ideal

Ideal  $I = \mathfrak{p}_1^{e_1} \mathfrak{p}_2^{e_2} \cdots \mathfrak{p}_r^{e_r} \subset \mathcal{O}_k$   
conj. class of Frobenius elements  $x \mapsto x^p$

# Artin meets Ihara!

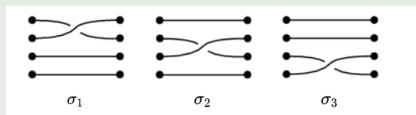
## Ihara 1986

What is the knot equivalent of  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$ ?

Profinite braids! *Profinite braid groups, Galois representations and complex multiplications, Ann. of Math. (2) 123 (1986), 43–106.*

## Artin representation of braids

$F_{s-1} = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{s-1}, x_s \mid x_1 x_2 \cdots x_s = 1 \rangle$  is the free group on  $s - 1$  generators. The braid group  $B_{s-1}$  as a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(F_{s-1})$  is generated by the elements  $\sigma_i$ :



$$\sigma_i(x_{i+1}) = x_i, \quad \sigma_i(x_i) = x_i x_{i+1} x_i^{-1}, \quad \sigma_i(x_k) = x_k$$

## Ihara representation

$$\text{Ih}_s : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \longrightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{F}_{s-1})$$

where  $\mathfrak{F}_{s-1}$  is the pro- $\ell$  completion of  $F_{s-1}$  with image inside the subgroup

$$\{\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathfrak{F}_{s-1}) \mid \sigma(x_i) \sim x_i^{N(\sigma)}, N(\sigma) \in \mathbb{Z}_\ell^\times\}$$

where

$$N \circ \text{Ih}_s : \text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q}) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_\ell^\times$$

is the cyclotomic character  $\chi_\ell$  such that, if  $\sigma(\zeta_{\ell^k}) = \zeta_{\ell^k}^{t_k}$  then

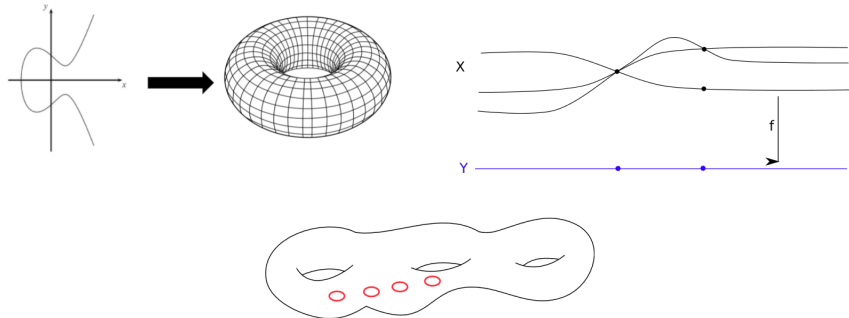
$$\chi_\ell(\sigma) = \varprojlim t_k.$$

# What is an Algebraic curve?

*-Everyone knows what a curve is, until he has studied enough mathematics to become confused... - F. Klein*

## Example

1.  $y^2 = x^3 + ax + b$
2. Function field  $k(x)(\sqrt{x^3 + ax + b})$
3. Riemann Surface



# The Fermat curve

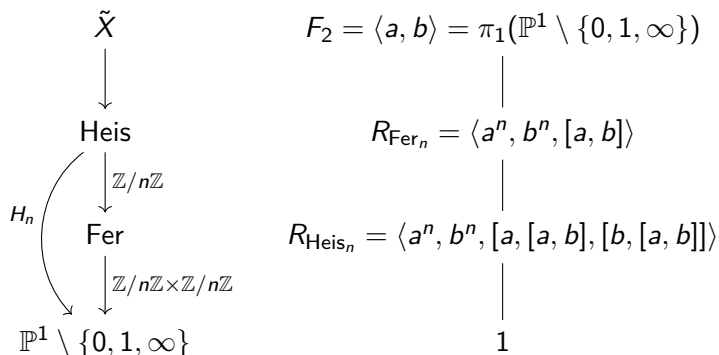
$$\text{Fer}_n : x^n + y^n = 1$$

$$\text{Galois group: } \sigma_{ij}(x, y) = (\zeta^i x, \zeta^j y)$$

## Heisenberg group modulo $n$

$$H_n := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i & k \\ 0 & 1 & j \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad i, j, k \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \right\}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & i & k \\ 0 & 1 & j \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \sigma_{ij}$$

# The Heisenberg curve



$$1 \rightarrow R_{\text{Heis}} \rightarrow F_2 \rightarrow H_n \rightarrow 1$$

Well-defined Galois action by conjugation of  $H_n$  on  $R_{\text{Heis}}^{ab}$

# A basis and some Representation theory

## Basis of the Homology of the closed curve

for odd  $n$ :

$$R_{\text{Heis}_n} = \langle a_1, b_1, \dots, a_g, b_g, \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{3n^2} \mid [a_1, b_1] \cdots [a_g, b_g] \gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_{3n^2} = 1 \rangle$$

Let  $\Gamma = \langle a^n, b^n, (ab)^n \rangle$ , then  $H_1(X_H, \mathbb{Z})$  is generated by

$$[a, [a, b]]^{\alpha^i \tau^k} \pmod{\Gamma}, \quad [b, [a, b]]^{\alpha^j \tau^l \beta^j} \pmod{\Gamma}$$

## Irreducible characters of $H_n$

$$\chi_{ijs}(\mathbf{g}) = \sum_{h \in \text{cl}(\mathbf{g})} (\chi_{ij} \otimes \chi_s)(h)$$

$$\alpha \mapsto \zeta^i, \quad \tau \mapsto \zeta^j, \quad \beta \mapsto \zeta^s$$

$$0 \leq i, j, \leq n-1, \quad 0 \leq s \leq \gcd(n, j) - 1$$



# More Arithmetic Topology

## Alexander Modules

$$\psi : G \rightarrow H, \quad N := \ker \psi, \quad G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_m \mid R_1, \dots, R_s = 1 \rangle$$

$$\text{Alexander module } \mathcal{A}_\psi, \quad \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial x_j}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \pi_1(M \setminus K_1 \cup \dots \cup K_r) & \pi_1(\text{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_k) \setminus \{p_1, \dots, p_r\}) \\ \text{Link (or Knot) module } \mathbb{Z}[H] & \text{Iwasawa module } \mathbb{Z}_\ell[[H]] \end{array}$$

## Crowell exact sequence

$$1 \rightarrow N^{ab} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\psi \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[H] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$$

$$1 \rightarrow N^{ab} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\psi \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_\ell[[H]] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_\ell \rightarrow 1$$

exact sequence of  $\mathbb{Z}[H]$ - (resp.  $\mathbb{Z}_\ell[[H]]$ -) modules

## Homology of the closed Heisenberg curve as an $\mathbb{F}[H_n]$ -module

$$H_1(X_H, \mathbb{F}) = \bigoplus_{i,j=0}^{n-1} \bigoplus_{s=0}^{\gcd(n,j)-1} \mathbb{F} h_{ijs} \chi_{ijs},$$

where

$$h_{ijs} = \begin{cases} 1 - z(i, s) & \text{if } (i, s) \neq (0, 0), j = 0 \\ \frac{n}{\gcd(n, j)}, & \text{if } (i, s) \neq (0, 0), j \neq 0 \\ 2 \frac{n}{\gcd(n, j)}, & \text{if } (i, s) = (0, 0), j \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } (i, s) = (0, 0), j = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$z(i, s) = \#\{1 \leq m \leq 3 \mid i_m \equiv 0 \pmod{n}, \text{ where } i_1 := i, i_2 := s, i_3 := i+s\}$$

## Pro- $\ell$ case

Set  $n = \ell^k$  and study actions of  $B_s$  and  $\text{Gal}(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}/\mathbb{Q})$  on the projective limit

$$H_1(X_H, \mathbb{Z}_\ell)$$

and the Galois representations that arise!

## Generalized Heisenberg curves

As a cover of the generalized Fermat curve with Galois group  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{s-1}$  over  $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{s-3}, 0, 1, \infty\}$ .

Thank you for your attention!



$$x^n + y^n = 1$$

$$\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{0, 1, \infty\}$$