(c) Given an angle θ , show that $e^{i\theta}=\cos\theta+i\sin\theta\in C$ and conversely, every element of $z\in C$ is of this form for a unique $\theta\in[0,2\pi)$. This is another way to turn C into a group which is the *same* as the previous group in an appropriate sense.

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We need to come back and check that \mathbb{Z}_n is actually a group. We make use of a result usually called the "division algorithm". Although it's not an algorithm in the technical sense, it is the basis of the algorithm for long division that one learns in school.

Theorem 4.5. Let x be an integer and n positive integer, then there exists a unique pair of integers q, r satisfying

$$x = qn + r, \ 0 \le r < n$$

Proof. Let

$$R = \{x - q'n \mid , q' \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } q'n \le x\}$$

Observe that $R \subseteq \mathbb{N}$, so we can choose a smallest element $r = x - qn \in R$. Suppose $r \ge n$. Then x = qn + r = (q+1)n + (r-n) means that r-n lies in R. This is a contradiction, therefore r < n.

Suppose that x = q'n + r' with r' < n. Then $r' \in R$ so $r' \ge r$. Then qn = q'n + (r'-r) implies that n(q-q') = r'-r. So r'-r is divisible by n. On the other hand $0 \le r' - r < n$. But 0 is the only integer in this range divisible by n is 0. Therefore r = r' and qn = q'n which implies q = q'.

We denote the number r given above by r u dn, mod is read "modulo" or simply "mod". When $x \ge 0$, this is just the remainder life long divison by n.

Lemma 4.6. If x_1, x_2 note integers with $n \ge 0$ hen

$$(x_1 + x_2) \mod (x_1 + x_2) \pmod (x_1 + x_2) + (x_1 + x_3) + (x_1 + x_4) +$$

Proof. Set $r_i = x_i \mod n$. Then $x_i = q_i n + r_i$ for appropriate q_i . We have $x_1 + x_2 = (q_1 + q_2)n + (r_1 + r_2)$. We see that

$$(x_1 + x_2) \bmod n = \begin{cases} r_1 + r_2 = r_1 \oplus r_2 & \text{if } r_1 + r_2 < n \\ r_1 + r_2 - n = r_1 \oplus r_2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This would imply that $f(x) = x \mod n$ gives a homomorphism from $\mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}_n$ if we already knew that \mathbb{Z}_n were a group. Fortunately, this can be converted into a proof that it is one.

Lemma 4.7. Suppose that (G, *, e) is a group and $f : G \to H$ is an onto map to another set H with an operation * such that f(x * y) = f(x) * f(y). Then H is a group with identity f(e).

In the future, we usually just write + for modular addition.

The dihedral group D_n is the full symmetry group of regular n-gon which includes both rotations and flips. There are 2n elements in total consisting

Chapter 5

Finite sets, counting and group theory

Let $\mathbb{N} = \{0,1,2\ldots\}$ be the set of natural numbers. Given n, let $[n] = \{\} \in \mathbb{N} \mid x < n\}$. So that $[0] = \emptyset$ is the empty set, and $[n] = \{0,1,\ldots,n-1\}$ if n > 0. A set X is called *finite* if there is a one to one at Circle (also called a one to one correspondence) $f: [n] \to X$ for $s(n) \in \mathbb{N}$. The choice of n is unique (which we will accept as a fact n and is called the carolinality of X, which we denote by |X|.

Lemm 2.1. If X is finite and $g: X \to Y$ is a one to one correspondence, $f: X \to Y$ is a one to one correspondence,

Proof. By definition, we have a one to one correspondence $f:[n] \to X$, where n=|X|. Therefore $g \circ f:[n] \to Y$ is a one to one correspondence.

Proposition 5.2. If a finite set X can be written as a union of two disjoint subsets $Y \cup Z$, then |X| = |Y| + |Z|. (Recall that $Y \cup Z = \{x \mid x \in Y \text{ or } x \in Z\}$, and disjoint means their intersection is empty.)

Proof. Let $f:[n] \to Y$ and $g:[m] \to Z$ be one to one correspondences. Define $h:[n+m] \to X$ by

$$h(i) = \begin{cases} f(i) & \text{if } i < n \\ g(i-n) & \text{if } i \ge n \end{cases}$$

This is a one to one correspondence.

A partition of X is a decomposition of X as a union of subsets $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup ... Y_n$ such that Y_i and Y_j are disjoint whenever $i \neq j$.

Corollary 5.3. If $X = Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup ... Y_n$ is a partition, then $|X| = |Y_1| + |Y_2| + ... |Y_n|$.

Next, we want to develop a method for computing the order of a subgroup of S_n .

Definition 5.13. Given $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$, the orbit $Orb(i) = \{g(i) \mid g \in G\}$. A subgroup $G \subseteq S_n$ is called transitive if for some i, $Orb(i) = \{1, ..., n\}$.

Definition 5.14. Given subgroup $G \subseteq S_n$ and $i \in \{1, ... n\}$, the stabilizer of i, is $Stab(i) = \{f \in G \mid f(i) = i\}$

Theorem 5.15 (Orbit-Stabilizer theorem). Given a subgroup $G \subseteq S_n$, and $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$ then

$$|G| = |\operatorname{Orb}(i)| \cdot |\operatorname{Stab}(i)|$$

In particular,

$$|G| = n|\operatorname{Stab}(i)|$$

if G is transitive.

Proof. We define a function $f: G \to \operatorname{Orb}(i)$ by f(g) = g(i). The preimage $T = f^{-1}(j) = \{g \in G \mid g(i) = j\}$. By definition if $j \in \operatorname{Orb}(i)$, there exists $g_0 \in T$. We want to show that $T = g_0 \operatorname{Stab}(i)$. In one direction, $(f_0 \in \operatorname{Stab}(i))$ then $g_0 h(i) = j$. Therefore $g_0 h \in T$. Suppose $g \in T$. Then $g = g_0 h$ where $h = g_0^{-1}g$. We see that $h(i) = g_0^{-1}g(i) = f_0 f(i)$. Therefore, we have established that $T = g_0 \operatorname{Stab}(i)$. This is a vertex

$$|G| = \sum_{\mathbf{A} \text{ Orb}(i)} |f^{-1}(i)| = \sum_{i \in \text{Orb}(i)} |\operatorname{Stab}(i)| + |\operatorname{Orb}(i)| \cdot |\operatorname{Stab}(i)|$$

Corollary 5.16. $|S_n| = n!$

Proof. We prove this by mathematical induction starting from n=1. When n=1, S_n consists of the identity so $|S_1|=1=1!$. In general, assuming that the corollary holds for n, we have prove it for n+1. The group S_{n+1} acts transitively on $\{1,\ldots,n+1\}$. We want to show that there is a one to one correspondence between $\operatorname{Stab}(n+1)$ and S_n . An element of $f \in \operatorname{Stab}(n+1)$ looks like

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots n & n+1 \\ f(1) & f(2) & \dots f(n) & n+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Dropping the last column yields a permutation in S_n , and any permutation in S_n extends uniquely to an element of $\operatorname{Stab}(n+1)$ by adding that column. Therefore we have established the correspondence. It follows that $|\operatorname{Stab}(n+1)| = |S_n| = n!$. Therefore

$$|S_{n+1}| = (n+1)|\operatorname{Stab}(n+1)| = (n+1)(n!) = (n+1)!$$

Proposition 7.10. SO(2) is a normal subgroup of O(2).

We give two proofs. The first, which uses determinants, gets to the point quickly. However, the second proof is also useful since it leads to the formula (7.1).

First Proof. We start with a standard result.

Theorem 7.11. For any pair of 2×2 matrices A and B, $\det AB = \det A \det B$.

Proof. A brute force calculation shows that

$$(a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21})(b_{11}b_{22} - b_{12}b_{21})$$

and

$$(a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21})(a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22}) - (a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22})(a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{22})$$

both can be expanded to

be expanded to
$$a_{11}a_{22}b_{11}b_{22} - a_{11}a_{22}b_{12}b_{21} - a_{12}a_{21}b_{11}b_{22} + a_{12}a_{21}b_{12}c_{11}$$

a number \mathcal{A}^* denote the group hultiplication. A follows that SO(2) is the kernel. So it is normal

 $AR(\theta)A^{-1} \in SO(2)$ for any $A \in O(2)$. ecause SO(2) is a subgroup.

It remains to show that conjugating a rotation by a reflection is a rotation. In fact we will show that for any reflection A

$$AR(\theta)A^{-1} = R(-\theta) \tag{7.1}$$

First let A be the reflection $F = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ about the x-axis. Then an easy calculation shows that $FR(\theta)F^{-1} = FR(\theta)F = R(-\theta)$. Now assume that A is a general reflection. Then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi \\ \sin \phi & -\cos \phi \end{bmatrix} = FR(-\phi)$$

So

$$AR(\theta)A^{-1} = FR(-\phi)R(\theta)R(\phi)F = R(-\theta)$$

as claimed.

So now we have a normal subgroup $SO(2) \subset O(2)$ which we understand pretty well. What about the quotient O(2)/SO(2). This can identified with the cyclic group $\{\pm 1\} \subset \mathbb{R}^*$ using the determinant.

Chapter 9

\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*} is cyclic

Given a field K, a polynomial in x is a symbolic expression

$$a_n x^n + a_{n_1} x^{n-1} + \ldots + a_0$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is arbitrary and the coefficients $a_n, \ldots, a_0 \in K$. Note that polynomials are often viewed as functions but it is in order to really treat these as expressions. First of all the algebraical polynomials become clearer, and secondly when K is finte, there only fin by many functions from $K \to K$ but infinitely many polynomials. We can be the set of these polynomials by K[x]. We omit terms if the volficients are zero, so we can pass out a polynomial with extra green whenever convenient $x_k(2) = 6x^k + 0x + 1$. The highest power of x occurring with a nonzer coefficients

$$f = a_n x^n + a_{n_1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_0$$
$$g = b_n x^n + b_{n_1} x^{n-1} + \dots + b_0$$
$$f + g = (a_n + b_n) x^n + \dots + (a_0 + b_0)$$

Multiplication is defined using the rules one learns in school

$$fg = (a_0b_0) + (a_1b_0 + a_0b_1)x + (a_2b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_0b_2)x^2 + \dots$$
$$= (\sum_{i+j=k} a_ib_j)x^k$$

Theorem 9.1. K[x] is a commutative ring with the operations described above.

Proof. This is fairly routine, so we just list a few steps. Let f and g be as above and

$$h = c_n x^n + c_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots c_0$$

Then

$$f(gh) = (\sum_{i+j+k=\ell} a_i b_j c_k) x^{\ell} = (fg)h$$

We now apply these results to the field $K = \mathbb{Z}_p$, where p is a prime. Sometimes this is denoted by \mathbb{F}_p to emphasize that its a field. When the need arises, let us write \bar{a} to indicate we are working \mathbb{Z}_p , but we won't bother when the context is clear.

Proposition 9.5. We can factor $x^{p} - x = x(x-1)(x-2)...(x-(p-1))$ in

Proof. By Fermat's little theorem, $1 \dots, p-1$ are roots. Therefore $x^p - x = 1$ x(x-1)(x-2)...(x-p-1) in $\mathbb{Z}_p[x]$.

Corollary 9.6 (Wilson's theorem). $\overline{(p-1)!} = -\overline{1}$

Proof. We have $x^{p-1}-1=(x-1)(x-2)\dots(x-(p-1))$. Now evaluate both sides at 0.

Corollary 9.7. The binomial coefficients $\binom{p}{n} = \frac{p!}{n!(n-n)!}$ are divisible by n when 1 < n < p.

Proof. Substitue 1+x into the above identity to obtain $(1+x)^p = (1+x)$ in \mathbb{Z}_p . Now expand using the binomial theorem, which is taken in \mathbb{Z}_p^* held exercises), to obtain $\sum_{n=1}^{p-1} \sqrt{n} = 0$ We tast few results were that easy, the next result is not.

Theorem 9.8. If p is prime, then \mathbb{Z}_p^* is cyclic.

Proof in a special case. We won't prove this in general, but to get some sense of why this is true, let's prove it when p = 2q + 1, where q is another prime. This is not typical, but it can certainly happen (e.g. p = 7, 11, 23, ...). Then \mathbb{Z}_p^* has order 2q. The possible orders of its elements are 1,2,q, or 2q. There is only element of order 1, namely 1. An element of order 2 is a root of $x^2 - 1$, so it must be $-\overline{1}$. An element of order q satisfies $x^q - 1 = 0$, and be different from 1. Thus there are at most q-1 possibilities. So to summarize there are no more q+1 elements of orders 1, 2, q. Therefore there are at least q-1 elements of order 2q, and these are necessarily generators.

9.9 Exercises

1. Given a field K and a positive integer n, let $\overline{n} = 1 + \ldots + 1$ (n times). K is said to have positive characteristic if $\overline{n} = 0$ for some positive n, otherwise K is said to have characteristic 0. In the positive characteristic case, the smallest n > 0 with $\overline{n} = 0$ is called the *characteristic*. Prove that the characteristic is a prime number.

2. For any field, prove the binomial theorem

$$(x+1)^n = \sum_{m=0}^n \overline{\binom{n}{m}} x^m$$

(Recall $\binom{n+1}{m} = \binom{n}{m} + \binom{n+1}{m}$.)

3. Let K be a field and $s \in K$. Let $K[\sqrt{s}]$ be the set of expressions $a + b\sqrt{s}$, with $a, b \in K$. Show that this becomes a commutative ring if we define addition and multiplication as the notation suggests:

$$(a + bi\sqrt{s}) + (c + d\sqrt{s}) = (a + c) + (b + d)\sqrt{s}$$

 $(a+b\sqrt{s})(c+d\sqrt{s}) = (ac+bds) + (ad+bc)\sqrt{s}$

- 4. Show $K[\sqrt{s}]$ has zero divisors if $x^2 s = 0$ has a root. If this equation does not have a root, then prove that $K[\sqrt{s}]$ is a field (Hint: $(a+b\sqrt{s})(a-b\sqrt{s})$) $b\sqrt{s}$) =? and when is it zero?).

5. When p is an odd prime, show that the map x → x² fra Zp Zp is not onto. Use this fact to construct a field with p² clerx has and characteristic p.

Chapter 12

Determinants

The ideas of the previous chapter can be applied to linear algebra. Given an $n \times n$ matrix $A = [a_{ij}]$ over a field K, the determinant

det
$$A = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sign}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \dots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$
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This is bit like the antisymmetrization or site test earlier. There is also symmetric version, without sign(σ), acted the permanent. However, as far as I know, it is much less useful if (e) definition, we gave for the determinant, is not very practical. However, it is theoretically quite useful.

*Creation 12.1.** Company & Matrix A, the following properties: 1.11

- (a) $\det I = 1$
- (b) If B is obtained by multiplying the ith row of A by b then $\det B = b \det A$
- (c) Suppose that the ith row of C is the sum of the ith rows of A an B, and all other rows of A, B and C are identical. Then $\det C = \det A + \det B$.
- (d) $\det A = \det A^T$.
- (e) Let us write $A = [v_1, \ldots, v_n]$, where v_1, v_2, \ldots are the columns. Then $\det(v_{\tau(1)}, \dots v_{\tau(n)}) = \operatorname{sign}(\tau) \det(v_1, \dots v_n)$

Proof. Item (a) is clear because all the terms $\delta_{1\sigma(1)} \dots \delta_{n\sigma(n)} = 0$ unless $\sigma = I$. (b)

$$\det B = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sign}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \dots (b a_{i\sigma(i)}) \dots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$
$$= b \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \operatorname{sign}(\sigma) a_{1\sigma(1)} \dots a_{i\sigma(i)} \dots a_{n\sigma(n)}$$
$$= b \det A$$

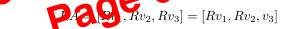
Proof. The characteristic polynomial $p(\lambda) = \lambda^3 + a_2\lambda^2 + \dots$ has real coefficients. Since λ^3 grows faster than the other terms, $p(\lambda) > 0$ when $\lambda \gg 0$, and $p(\lambda) < 0$ when $\lambda \ll 0$. Therefore the graph of y = p(x) must cross the x-axis somewhere, and this would give a real root of p. (This intuitive argument is justified by the intermediate value theorem from analysis.)

Lemma 13.5. If $A \in O(3)$, 1 or -1 is an eigenvalue.

Proof. By the previous lemma, there exists a nonzero vector $v = [x, y, z]^T \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and real number λ such that $Av = \lambda v$. Since a multiple of v will satisfy the same conditions, we can assume that the square of the length $v^Tv = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$. It follows that

$$\lambda^{2} = (\lambda v)^{T} (\lambda v) = (Av)^{T} (Av) = v^{T} A^{T} A v = v^{T} v = 1$$

Theorem 13.6. A matrix in SO(3) is a rotation.



remains orthogonal. Therefore Rv_1, Rv_2 lie in v_3^{\perp} . Thus we can write

$$R(v_1) = av_1 + bv_2$$

$$R(v_2) = cv_1 + dv_2$$

$$R(v_3) = v_3$$

The matrix

$$A^{-1}RA = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

lies in SO(3). It follows that the block $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ lies in SO(2), which means that it is a plane rotation matrix $R(\theta)$. It follows that $R = R(\theta, v_3)$.

Now suppose that -1 is an eigenvalue and let v_3 be an eigenvector. Defining A as above, we can see that

$$A^{-1}RA = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ c & d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This time the upper 2×2 is block lies O(2) with determinant -1. This implies that it is a reflection. This means that there is a nonzero vector v in the plane v_3^{\perp} such Rv = v. Therefore R also +1 as an eigenvalue, and we have already shown that R is a rotation.

From the proof, we extract the following useful fact.

Corollary 13.7. Every matrix in SO(3) has +1 as an eigenvalue. If the matrix is not the identity then the corresponding eigenvector is the axis of rotation.

We excluded the identity above, because everything would be an axis of rotation for it. Let us summarize everything we've proved in one statement.

Theorem 13.8. The set of rotations in \mathbb{R}^3 can be identified with SO(3), and this forms a group.

13.9 Exercises

- 1. Check that unlike SO(2), SO(3) is not abelian. (This could get messy schoose the matrices with care.)
- 2. Given two rotations $R_i = R(\theta_i, v_i)$, show that Ω axis of $R_2 R_1 R_2^{-1}$ is $R_2 v_1$. Conclude that a normal sub-roll PSO(3), different from $\{I\}$, is infinite.

has $1, e^{\pm i\theta}$ as complex eigenvalues. With the help of the previous exercise show that this holds for any rotation $R(\theta, v)$.

4. Show the map $f: O(2) \to SO(3)$ defined by

$$f(A) = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & \det(A) \end{bmatrix}$$

is a one to one homomorphism. Therefore we can view O(2) as a subgroup of SO(3). Show that this subgroup is the subgroup $\{g \in SO(3) \mid gr = \pm r\}$, where $r = [0,0,1]^T$.

- 5. Two subgroups $H_i \subseteq G$ of a group are *conjugate* if for some $g \in G$, $H_2 = gH_1g^{-1} := \{ghg^{-1} \mid h \in H_1\}$. Prove that $H_1 \cong H_2$ if they are conjugate. Is the converse true?
- 6. Prove that for any nonzero vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$, the subgroup $\{g \in SO(3) \mid gv = \pm v\}$ (respectively $\{g \in SO(3) \mid gv = v\}$) is conjugate, and therefore isomorphic, to O(2) (respectively SO(2)). (Hint: use the previous exercises.)

Lemma 14.5. If n = 2, G is cyclic.

Proof. Since $\operatorname{Stab}(p_i) \subseteq G$, we have

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Stab}(p_i)|}\right) \le \left(1 - \frac{1}{|G|}\right)$$
(14.2)

But (14.1) implies

$$2\left(1 - \frac{1}{|G|}\right) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Stab}(p_1)|}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{|\operatorname{Stab}(p_2)|}\right)$$

and this forces equality in (14.2) for both i = 1, 2. This implies that G = $\operatorname{Stab}(p_1) = \operatorname{Stab}(p_2)$. This means that $g \in G$ is a rotation with axis the line L connecting p_1 to 0 (or p_2 to 0, which would have to be the same). It follows that g would have to be a rotation in the plane perpendicular to L. So that Gcan be viewed as subgroup of SO(2). Therefore it is cyclic by theorem 14.1. \square

We now turn to the case n=3. Let us set $n_i=|\operatorname{Stab}(p_i)|$ and arrange then order $2 \le n_1 \le n_2 \le n_3$. (14.1) becomes $2\left(1-\frac{1}{|G|}\right) = \left(1-\frac{1}{n_1}\right) + \left(1-\frac{1}{n_2}\right) + \left(1-\frac{1}{n_3}\right)$ in order $2 \le n_1 \le n_2 \le n_3$. (14.1) becomes

$$2\left(1 - \frac{1}{|G|}\right) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n_1}\right) + \left(1 + \frac{2}{n_2}\right) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{n_3}\right)$$

$$1 + \frac{2}{|G|} = \frac{1}{n_1} \cdot \frac{1}{n_2} \cdot \frac{1}{n_3}$$

we have a natural constraint.

Lemma 14.6. The only integer solutions to the inequalities

$$2 \le n_1 \le n_2 \le n_3$$
$$\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} + \frac{1}{n_3} > 1$$

are as listed together with the corresponding orders of G.

- (a) $(2,2,n_3)$ and $|G|=2n_3$.
- (b) (2,3,3) and |G|=12.
- (c) (2,3,4) and |G|=24.
- (d) (2,3,5) and |G|=60.

To complete the proof of theorem 14.2, we need the following

Lemma 14.7. A subgroup $G \subset SO(3)$ corresponding to the triple (2,2,n) is isomorphic to D_n .