

Last time: Given a subgroup  $H$  of a group  $G$  the right  $H$ -coset of  $a \in G$  is  $Ha := \{ha \mid h \in H\}$

the left  $H$ -coset of  $a$  is  $aH := \{ah \mid h \in H\}$ .

Right cosets are orbits for an action of  $H$  on  $G$  and equivalence classes of the relation  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a = hb$  for some  $h \in H \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$

Left cosets are orbits for a different action of  $H$  on  $G$  and are equivalence class of the relation

$$a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a = bh \text{ for some } h \in H \Leftrightarrow b^{-1}a \in H.$$

$H \backslash G$  = the set of all right  $H$ -cosets

$G/H$  = the set of all left  $H$ -cosets

We proved: Thm 8.4 A homomorphism  $f: G \rightarrow H$  induces a well-defined injective map  $\bar{f}: K \backslash G \rightarrow H$ ,  $\bar{f}(Kg) = f(g)$  where  $K := \ker f$ .

Hence  $\bar{f}: K \backslash G \rightarrow \text{im } f$  is a bijection.

[We'll prove soon  $K \backslash G$  is naturally a group and  $\bar{f}: K \backslash G \rightarrow \text{im } f$  is an isomorphism

We also proved: • If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}$  then  $H = n\mathbb{Z}$  for some  $n \geq 0$

• For any group  $G$  and any  $a \in G$

$\langle a \rangle = \{a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$  which is either isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$  (and then the order of  $a$  is  $\infty$ )

or it's isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  for some  $n > 0$ .

(And then the order of  $a$  is  $n$ ).

We need more examples of groups.

The orthogonal group  $O(n)$ ,  $n \geq 2$ .

$$O(n) := \{ A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) \mid A^T A = I \}$$

$O(n)$  is a subgroup of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ :

Check  $\forall A \in O(n)$ ,  $1 = \det(I) = \det(A^T A) = \det A^T \det A = (\det A)^2$

$\Rightarrow \det A = \pm 1$  and  $A$  is invertible.

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = I A^{-1} = A^T A A^{-1} = A^T.$$

Recall  $\emptyset \neq H \subseteq G$  is a subgroup  $\Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in H, ab^{-1} \in H$ .

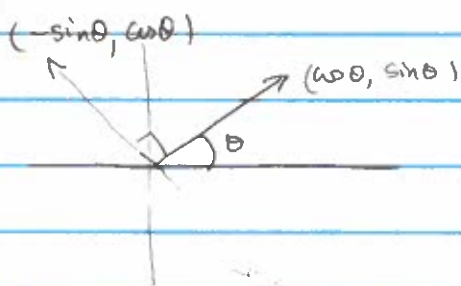
Now for  $A, B \in O(n)$

$$\begin{aligned} (AB^{-1})^T (AB^{-1}) &= (A B^T)^T A B^T = (B^T)^T A^T A B^T \\ &= B I B^T = B B^T = I. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore O(n)$  is a subgroup of  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , hence a group.

Exercise  $SO(n) := \{ A \in O(n) \mid \det A = 1 \}$  is a subgroup of  $O(n)$ .

$n=2$



$$\det \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$$

$$SO(2) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \mid \theta \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$\tau := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \in O(2) \setminus SO(2)$  since  $\det \tau = -1$  (and  $\tau^2 = I$ )

If  $B \in O(2) \setminus SO(2)$ , i.e.  $B \in O(2)$  and  $\det B = -1$

Then  $\det(\tau B) = (-1)(-1) = 1 \Rightarrow \tau B \in SO(2)$

$\Rightarrow B \in \tau SO(2)$ .

$$\therefore O(2) = SO(2) \cup \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} SO(2).$$

Note The map  $f: SO(2) \rightarrow U(1)$ ,  $f \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = e^{i\theta}$  is an isomorphism of groups

(Under the identification  $\mathbb{R}^2 \leftrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\tau$  corresponds to

$\tau(z) = \bar{z}$ , complex conjugation.

Lemma 9.1 Let  $\{H_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of subgroups of a group  $G$ .

Then  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha$  is also a subgroup.

Proof We need to check that  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha \neq \emptyset$  and that  $a, b \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha$ .

Now  $e_G \in H_\alpha \forall \alpha$ .

$\Rightarrow e_G \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha$  so  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha \neq \emptyset$ .

Also  $\forall a, b \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha$ ,  $a, b \in H_\alpha \forall \alpha \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H_\alpha \forall \alpha \Rightarrow$   
 $ab^{-1} \in \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} H_\alpha$  □

Definition Let  $G$  be a group and  $S \subseteq G$  a set. We define  
 $\langle S \rangle = \bigcap_{\substack{H \leq G \\ S \subseteq H}} H$  ("H < G" means "H is a subgroup of G")

By 9.1,  $\langle S \rangle$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . We call  $\langle S \rangle$   
 the subgroup of  $G$  generated by the set  $S$

Note! If  $K \subseteq G$  is any subgroup with  $S \subseteq K$  then  $\bigcap_{\substack{H \leq G \\ S \subseteq H}} H \subseteq K$   
 so

$\langle S \rangle$  is the smallest subgroup of  $G$  that contains  $S$ .

Ex  $G$  any group,  $g \in G$  and  $S = \{g\}$ .

Then  $\langle \{g\} \rangle = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \langle g \rangle$ .

Ex Let  $G = O(2) = SO(2) \cup \tau SO(2) = U(1) \cup \tau U(1)$   
 Fix  $n > 1$  and consider  $\uparrow$  complex conj.

$$p = e^{2\pi i/n} \in U(1)$$

Claim  $D_n = \langle \{p, \tau\} \rangle = \{1, p, p^2, \dots, p^{n-1}, \tau, \tau p, \dots, \tau p^{n-1}\}$ .

$D_n$  is called the dihedral group of order  $n$ .

Since  $p^n = (e^{2\pi i/n})^n = e^{2\pi i} = 1$ ,  $\langle p \rangle = \{1, p, \dots, p^{n-1}\} \subseteq D_n$ .

And then  $\tau p^k \in D_n$  for  $k=0, 1, \dots, n-1$  since  $\tau, p^k \in D_n$ .



Note also that  $\tau(\tau(z)) = \bar{\bar{z}} = z \Rightarrow \tau^2 = \text{id} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tau = \tau^{-1}}$

And

$$\tau(\rho(z)) = \tau\left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{n}} z\right) = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n}} \bar{z} = \rho^{-1} \tau(z)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\tau \rho = \rho^{-1} \tau} \quad (= \rho^{n-1} \tau)$$

(or, equivalently  $\tau \rho \tau^{-1} = \rho^{-1}$ )

Induction on  $k \Rightarrow$

$$\tau \rho^k \tau^{-1} = \underbrace{\tau \rho \tau^{-1} \tau \rho \tau^{-1} \dots \tau \rho \tau^{-1}}_k = (\rho^{-1})^k = \rho^{-k}$$

Hence 1)  $\tau \rho^k = \rho^{-k} \tau \quad \forall k$

2)  $(\tau \rho^k)^{-1} = (\rho^k)^{-1} \tau^{-1} = \rho^{-k} \tau = \tau \rho^k$

3)  $(\tau \rho^k)(\tau \rho^j) = (\tau \rho^k \tau^{-1}) \rho^j = \rho^{-k} \rho^j = \rho^{j-k}$

$\therefore \{1, \rho, \dots, \rho^{n-1}, \tau, \dots, \tau \rho^{n-1}\}$  is a subgroup of  $O(\mathbb{C})$  that contains  $\{1, \rho\}$ .

$$\Rightarrow \langle \{1, \rho\} \rangle = \{1, \rho, \dots, \rho^{n-1}, \tau, \dots, \tau \rho^{n-1}\}$$

Note that multiplication of elements of  $D_n$  follows 3 rules:

$$\rho^n = e, \quad \tau^2 = e, \quad \tau \rho = \rho^{-1} \tau$$

One writes  $D_n = \langle \tau, \rho \mid \rho^n = \tau^2 = e, \tau \rho = \rho^{-1} \tau \rangle$

This is a presentation of  $D_n$  by generators and relations