

Group Theory Ch. 4

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Definition of Group

- 1) Closure: $a, b \in G$, then $ab \in G$
- 2) Associative: $(ab)c = a(bc)$
- 3) Identity: $1a = a1 = a$
- 4) Inverse: $a a^{-1} = a^{-1}a = 1$

Example: $\{1, i, -1, -i\}$

- 1) Closure: Make multiplication table:

	1	i	-1	-i
1	1	i	-1	-i
i	i	-1	-i	1
-1	-1	-i	1	i
-i	-i	1	i	-1

- 2) Associativity: skip

- 3) Identity: $1 \cdot (1) = 1$, $1 \cdot (i) = i$, $1 \cdot (-1) = -1$, $1 \cdot (-i) = -i$

- 4) Inverse: $1(1) = 1$ $i(-i) = 1$

$$-1(-1) = 1 \quad -i(i) = 1$$

Abelian:
or
commutative

$$ab = ba$$

$$ab - ba = 0$$

$$[a, b] = 0$$

Non-Abelian
or
Non-Commutative

$$ab \neq ba$$

$$ab - ba \neq 0$$

$$[a, b] \neq 0$$

Commutator:

$$[a, b] = ab - ba$$

Abelian Example:

$$2 * 3 = 3 * 2 = 6$$

$$[2, 3] = 0$$

$$2 * 3 - 3 * 2 = 0$$

Non-Abelian Example:

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ab = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$ba = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$ab \neq ba$$

$$[a, b] \neq 0$$

Sub-Group :

$$G = \{1, i, -1, -i\} \quad \text{group}$$

$$H = \{1, -1\} \quad \text{subgroup of } G$$

Check 1) Closure $\rightarrow$

	1	-1
1	1	-1
-1	-1	1

2) Associativity
(Skip)

3) Identity: $1(1) = 1, \quad 1 \cdot (-1) = -1$

4) Inverse $1(1) = 1, \quad (-1) \cdot (-1) = +1$

Group H just ~~flips~~ flips sign.

Suppose we don't care about the sign.

$$G/H \quad (G \text{ Mod } H)$$

we don't distinguish $\{1, -1\}$ $\swarrow$ Cosets
 $\{i, -i\}$ $\swarrow$

Or, Mod H , $1 = -1$ and $i = -i$

Note: Order of $G = 4$

Order of $H = 2$

$$\text{Order of } G/H = 4/2 = 2$$

Example: The coffee group

$$G_1 = \text{Sugar} = \{1, s\}$$

$$G_2 = \text{Caffine} = \{1, c\}$$

$$G = G_1 \otimes G_2 = \{1, s, c, sc\}$$

IF I don't care about caffeine:

$$1 = e, \quad s = sc$$

$$\{1, c\} \quad \{s, sc\} \quad 2 \text{ cosets}$$

$$G/G_2$$

Dihedral Group D_3 :

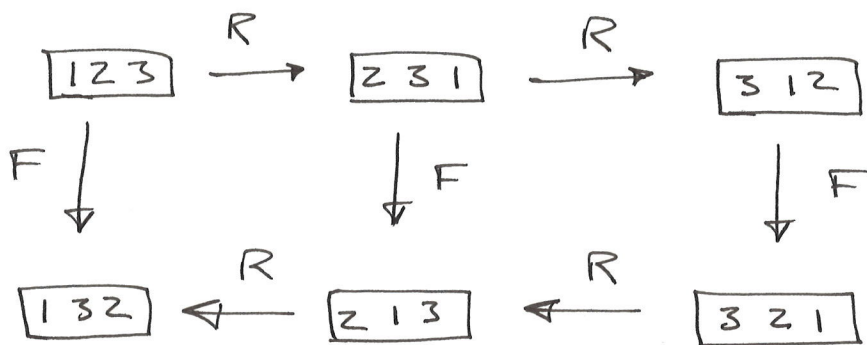
$$3 \overset{1}{\Delta} 2 \xrightarrow{R} 1 \overset{2}{\Delta} 3 \xrightarrow{R} 2 \overset{3}{\Delta} 1 \xrightarrow{R} 3 \overset{1}{\Delta} 2$$

$G_1 = \{1, R, R^2\}$ This is a group of order 3

$$3 \overset{1}{\Delta} 2 \xrightarrow{F} 2 \overset{1}{\Delta} 3 \xrightarrow{F} 3 \overset{1}{\Delta} 2$$

$G_2 = \{1, F\}$ Group of order = 2

Consider $D_3 = G_1 \otimes G_2$



Note: $RF \neq FR \Rightarrow [R, F] \neq 0$

Non-Abelian

Rubiks Group :

12 Edge Cubes : $12!$ Location
 2^{12-1} Orientation

8 Corner Cubes : $8!$ Location
 3^{8-1} orientation

$$\text{Total: } (12!) \cdot 2^{12} \cdot (8!) \cdot 3^8 // 12$$

$$= 43252003274489856000$$

$$\approx 4 \times 10^{19}$$

$2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2$
 $\uparrow$ Evenness
 $\uparrow$ corner
 $\uparrow$ Edge

Simplanity TX :

$A B A^{-1}$ is similar to B

$$A B A^{-1} \sim B$$

Matrix Representation:

$$G = \{1, i, -1, -i\} \equiv \{1, R, R^2, R^3\}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad 1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \equiv R^4$$

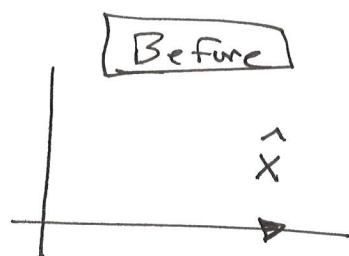
$$R^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad R^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: R is a rotation by 90°

Rotation: Rotate a unit vector $\hat{x}$

by a general rotation: $R = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ +\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$

$$\hat{x}' = R(\hat{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ +\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ +\sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$$



Note: I picked the sign of $R = \begin{pmatrix} c & -s \\ s & c \end{pmatrix}$ opposite to make things easy.

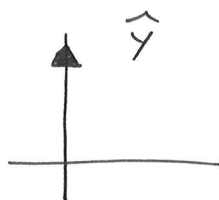
Depends on def. of active vs. passive TX.

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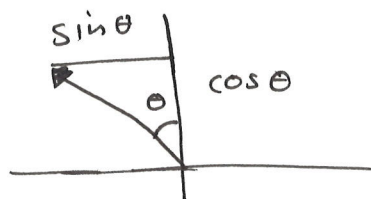
Rotate $\hat{y}$ by R :

$$\hat{y}' = R \hat{y} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ +\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Before



After



Note: Rotation in opposite direction $\theta \rightarrow -\theta$

$$R(-\theta) \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Exponential Form of Rotation:

$$R(\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} = e^{i \sigma_z \theta} = \mathbb{1} \cos \theta + i \sigma_z \sin \theta$$

σ_z is the generator of the transformation.

$$\sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note $\sigma_z^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{1}$

Prove: $e^{i\sigma_z \theta} = \mathbb{1} \cos \theta + i\sigma_z \sin \theta$

Series Expansion: $e^A \approx 1 + A + \frac{A^2}{2!} + \frac{A^3}{3!}$

$$e^{i\sigma_z \theta} \approx \mathbb{1} + i\sigma_z \theta + \frac{(i\sigma_z \theta)^2}{2!} + \frac{(i\sigma_z \theta)^3}{3!}$$

$$= \mathbb{1} + i\sigma_z \theta + \left(-\frac{\theta^2}{2}\right) \mathbb{1} + \left(-\frac{i\theta^3}{6}\right) \sigma_z$$

using $\sigma_z^2 = \mathbb{1}$

$$= \underbrace{\mathbb{1} \left(1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2} + \dots\right)}_{\sim \cos \theta} + i\sigma_z \underbrace{\left(\theta - \frac{\theta^3}{6}\right)}_{\sim \sin \theta}$$

$$\approx \mathbb{1} \cos \theta + i\sigma_z \sin \theta$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cos \theta + i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sin \theta$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \cos \theta + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sin \theta$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$