

Rubik Group

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Basic Notation

A single letter by itself, refers to a *clockwise* face rotation in 90° (quarter turn).
If it's followed by an apostrophe means to turn that face *counterclockwise* 90° .
A number after it, marks repeated turn.

- Side turns
 - L Left
 - D Down
 - F Front
 - R Right
 - U Upper
 - B Back
- Layer turns
 - M Middle layer, direction as L
 - E Equatorial layer, direction as D
 - S Standing layer, direction as F
- Full turns
 - X All the cube, direction as R
 - Y All the cube, direction as U
 - Z All the cube, direction as F

Identities

$\Sigma = L, D, F, R, U, B, M, E, S, X, Y, Z$

A basic turn is an element of the alphabet, and it could or not be followed by an apostrophe. All the valid moves are either basic turns or a sequence of basic ones. All movements can be executed as a sum of one lateral turn and two full turns.

The identity is equal to a neutral move. So, $I = T + T' = 4nT$. Let $m, n \in \Sigma$ then $m + n \neq n + m$. The sum isn't commutative. The inverse of a valid move is defined as:

$$\text{inv}(m) = \begin{cases} m' & , m \text{ is basic} \\ (\text{map inv} * \text{reverse}) m & , m \text{ is sequence} \end{cases}$$

$$I = \text{foldl } (+) \ I \ [X, Z, Y, Z'] \ I = [X, Z, Y, Z'] = [X, Y, Z, Y, 2Z]$$

Define all basic moves with X and (Y, D)

- $2T = 2T', 3T = T', 4T = I$
- $I \rightarrow X' = [2Y, X, 2Y]$
- $I_2 \rightarrow L = [Y, X, D] + [X', Y]$
- $I_2 \rightarrow R = [Y', X, D] + [X', Y]$
- $L_2 \rightarrow F = [2Y, X, D] + [X']$
- $L_2 \rightarrow B = [X, D] + [X']$
- $L_2 \rightarrow U = [2X, D] + [2X] = [Y, 2X, Y']$