

Rotational Symmetries

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$$C \cong S_4$$

- ▶ Order of 1: id ($\# = 1$)
- ▶ Order of 4: face-to-face

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 f_{td} = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4) & f_{td}^2 = (1\ 3)(2\ 4) & f_{td}^3 = (1\ 4\ 3\ 2) \\
 f_{lr} = (1\ 2\ 4\ 3) & f_{lr}^2 = (1\ 4)(2\ 3) & f_{lr}^3 = (1\ 3\ 4\ 2) \\
 f_{fb} = (1\ 4\ 2\ 3) & f_{fb}^2 = (1\ 2)(3\ 4) & f_{fb}^3 = (1\ 3\ 2\ 4)
 \end{array}$$

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- ▶ Order of 3: vertex-to-vertex

$$v_1 = (2\ 3\ 4) \quad v_1^2 = (2\ 4\ 3)$$

$$v_2 = (1\ 4\ 3) \quad v_2^2 = (1\ 3\ 4)$$

$$v_3 = (1\ 2\ 4) \quad v_3^2 = (1\ 4\ 2)$$

$$v_4 = (1\ 2\ 3) \quad v_4^2 = (1\ 3\ 2)$$

- ▶ Order of 2: edge-to-edge

$$e_{12} = (1\ 2) \quad e_{13} = (1\ 3) \quad e_{14} = (1\ 4)$$

$$e_{23} = (2\ 3) \quad e_{24} = (2\ 4) \quad e_{34} = (3\ 4)$$

Subgroups of S_4

Order of 6:

$$H \cong S_3 = \{1, r, r^2, s, rs, r^2s\}$$

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Order of 8:

$$H \cong D_4 = \{1, r, r^2, r^3, s, rs, r^2s, r^3s\}$$

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Order of 12:

$$H \cong A_4$$

Theorem

There is only one subgroup of order 12 in S_4 .

Proof.

