

(6.3.1)

We want to verify the rules in 6.3.3.

1) Let  $v' = \rho_\theta(v)$ . Since  $\rho_\theta$  is an orthogonal linear operator and  $t_a$  is a translation, similar to the proof in 6.2.8, we have

$$\rho_\theta t_v(x) = \rho_\theta(x + v) = \rho_\theta(x) + \rho_\theta(v) = \rho_\theta(x) + v' = t_{v'} \rho_\theta(x)$$

Hence we have verified  $\rho_\theta t_v = t_{v'} \rho_\theta$ .

2) Let  $v' = r(v)$ . By observation, the reflection matrix is orthogonal, because

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

meaning  $r$  is also an orthogonal linear operator. By a similar reasoning as part 1), we can verify  $rt_v = t_{v'}r$ .

3) We perform the following matrix multiplications:

$$\begin{aligned} r\rho_\theta &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \\ \rho_{-\theta}r &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & -\cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have verified  $r\rho_\theta = \rho_{-\theta}r$ .

4) The book provides the statement  $t_v t_w = t_{v+w}$  in 6.2.8.

5) We perform the following matrix multiplication:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_\theta \rho_\eta &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \cos \eta & -\sin \eta \\ \sin \eta & \cos \eta \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \eta - \sin \theta \sin \eta & -(\sin \theta \cos \eta + \sin \eta \cos \theta) \\ \sin \theta \cos \eta + \sin \eta \cos \theta & \cos \theta \cos \eta - \sin \theta \sin \eta \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\theta + \eta) & -\sin(\theta + \eta) \\ \sin(\theta + \eta) & \cos(\theta + \eta) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \rho_{\theta+\eta}
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Hence we have verified  $\rho_\theta \rho_\eta = \rho_{\theta+\eta}$ .

6) Clearly,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence we have verified  $rr = 1$ .

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(6.5.1)

Suppose  $l_1, l_2$  are lines through the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that intersect in an angle  $\pi/n$ , and let  $r_i$  be the reflection about  $l_i$ . We want to show that  $r_1, r_2$  generate a dihedral group  $D_n$ .

Since we are already given two reflections  $r_1, r_2$ , to show that they generate  $D_n$ , it suffices to show that they generate a rotation  $\rho_{2\pi/n}$ .

By observation, we note that doing the reflection  $r_2$  is the same as first doing a rotation  $\rho_{\pi/n}$ , then the reflection  $r_1$ , and finally the rotation  $\rho_{-\pi/n}$ , so we have the following:

$$r_2 = \rho_{-\pi/n} r_1 \rho_{\pi/n}$$

In using the third rule in 6.3.3, we can simplify to

$$\begin{aligned} r_2 &= \rho_{-\pi/n} r_1 \rho_{\pi/n} \\ &= r_1 \rho_{\pi/n} \rho_{\pi/n} \\ &= r_1 \rho_{2\pi/n} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Thus we see that  $r_1^{-1} r_2 = \rho_{2\pi/n}$ , and a rotation by  $\rho_{2\pi/n}$  can indeed be generated by  $r_1, r_2$ .

Hence  $r_1, r_2$  generate a dihedral group  $D_n$ .

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(6.3.5)

We want to write formulas for the isometries in terms of a complex variable  $z = x + iy$ .

1) translation  $t_a$  by a vector  $a = a_1 + ia_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} t_a(z) &= z + a \\ &= (x + iy) + (a_1 + ia_2) \\ &= (x + a_1) + i(y + a_2) \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

2) rotation  $\rho_\theta$  by an angle  $\theta$  about the origin:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_\theta(z) &= e^{i\theta}(x + iy) \\ &= (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(x + iy) \\ &= (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta) + i(x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta) \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

3) reflection  $r$  about the  $e_1$ -axis:

$$\begin{aligned} r(z) &= r(x + iy) \\ &= x - iy \\ &= \bar{z} \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$