

1. Give two reasons why the set of odd integers under addition is not a group.

① no identity : 0 is not an odd number.

② no closure : $1+3=4$, 4 is not an odd number.

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Excellent!

2. Construct the Cayley table for $(\mathbb{Z}_{12}^*, \otimes)$.

$$\mathbb{Z}_{12}^* = \{n \mid n \in [1, 11], \gcd(n, 12) = 1\} = \{1, 5, 7, 11\}$$

\otimes	1	5	7	11
1	1	5	7	11
5	5	1	11	7
7	7	11	1	5
11	11	7	5	1

3. The space $S = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 . Find a Cartesian equation for S .

①: $\begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = (3-2)i - (3-1)j + (2-1)k = i - 2j + k.$

$$\therefore x - 2y + z + c = 0$$

$\therefore (1, 1, 1)$ is on the plane,

$$\therefore 1 - 2 + 1 + c = 0, \quad c = 0.$$

$$\therefore S: x - 2y + z = 0.$$

② $\begin{cases} x = a + b \\ y = a + 2b \\ z = a + 3b \end{cases} \therefore (a+b) - 2(a+2b) + (a+3b) = 0$
 $\therefore x - 2y + z = 0.$

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4. A sequence is defined recursively by $u_1 = 1$ and $u_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1+u_n}$. Assuming the sequence is convergent find its limit.

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1+u_{n-1}}}, \text{ writing this recursively, we get:}$$

$$u_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{1}{1 + \dots} \right)} \right)} \right)} a, \text{ let the blue part be } a.$$

$$\text{when } n \rightarrow \infty, a = \frac{1}{1+a} = u_n. a^2 + a - 1 = 0, a = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\therefore u_n > 0$$

$$\therefore u_n = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$$

Question: By observation, $u_n = \frac{\text{fib}(n)}{\text{fib}(n+1)}$.

How to show $u_\infty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right]}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} - \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+1} \right]}$ equals to the $\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$ obtained above?

5. Prove that the set of 3×3 matrices with real entries of the form $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is a group under matrix multiplication.

$$\textcircled{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & d & e \\ 0 & 1 & f \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & d+a & e+af+b \\ 0 & 1 & f+c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ closure } \checkmark$$

$$\textcircled{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = I, \text{ identity } \checkmark \text{ which belongs to the set taking } a=b=c=0$$

$\textcircled{3}$ matrix multiplication is associative. \checkmark

$$\textcircled{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a & ac-b \\ 0 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{in set? } \checkmark \text{ inverse } \checkmark$$

Therefore, it's a group.

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