

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \dots, \overline{n-1} \}.$$

Quotient group.

Recall: subgroups.  $H \subset G$ .

$G/H$  = set of cosets.

Example:  $H \subset S_n = G$   $H \cong S_{n-1}$   
↑  
isomorphic

$$X_m = \{ \sigma \in S_n \mid \sigma(m) = m \}.$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n.$$

$$\underline{G/H} = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}.$$

Normal subgroups

Defn:  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . We call  $H$  a normal subgroup if  $\forall \underline{g} \in G, \underline{h} \in H,$   
 $ghg^{-1} \in H$ .

Defn (Abelian group / commutative group).

$G$  is abelian iff  $\forall g, h \in G, gh = hg$ .

$(\mathbb{Z}, +), (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, +), \mathbb{Q}^\times, \mathbb{R}^\times, \dots$

Example: (Normal subgroups) If  $G$  is abelian.

all the subgroups are normal subgroups.

If  $G$  is abelian, then

$$gh = hg.$$

multiply  $g^{-1}$  on the right.

$$ghg^{-1} = hgg^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow ghg^{-1} = h.$$

Non example: Perm (3).  <sup>$=G$</sup>

$$H = \left\{ e, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$H$  is not a normal subgroup.

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \in H, \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in G.$$

$$\underline{ghg^{-1}}$$

$$g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ \underline{2} & \underline{3} & \underline{1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$g h g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \notin H.$$

$H$  is not a normal subgroup

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Prop: TFAE (The following are equivalent)

(I)  $H$  is a normal subgroup

(II) Define  $Hg = \{ hg \mid h \in H \}$ . left  $H$ -coset

$$Hg = gH \quad \forall g \in G.$$

Pf: (I)  $\Rightarrow$  (II).

Step 1:  $Hg \subset gH$ .

$$\forall hg \in Hg, \quad h \in H.$$

$$hg = gg^{-1} \cdot hg = g \cdot (g^{-1}hg)$$

$$= g \left( \underbrace{(g^{-1}) \cdot h (g^{-1})^{-1}}_{\text{is in } H} \right) \in gH.$$

Step 2:  $gH \subset Hg.$

$$\forall gh \in gH. \quad h \in H.$$

$$gh = (ghg^{-1})g \in Hg.$$

$$(II) \Rightarrow (I)$$

$$\forall g \in G. \quad h \in H,$$

$$\underline{ghg^{-1}} \quad gh \in gH = Hg.$$

$$\text{so } \exists h_1 \in H. \quad \text{s.t. } gh = h_1 g.$$

$$\Rightarrow ghg^{-1} = h_1 g \cdot g^{-1} = h_1 (g \cdot g^{-1}) = h_1 \in H.$$

What is good for normal subgroups !

Defn (Quotient group) If  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ ,  $G/H$  has a natural group structure defined by  $G/H \times G/H \rightarrow G/H$ .

$$(g_1 H) \cdot (g_2 H) = g_1 g_2 H. \quad (*)$$

When we write  $gH$ ,  $gH$  as a set does not determine  $g$ .

We may have  $g_1 \neq g_1'$ , but  $g_1 H = g_1' H$ .

We need to verify  $(*)$  is "well-defined".

For any input, we get a unique output.

Pf of "well-defined".

We need to prove,

$$\text{If } g_1 H = g_1' H, \quad g_2 H = g_2' H,$$

then  $g_1 g_2 H = g_1' g_2' H.$

Example:

We may have  $g_1 \neq g_1'$ , but  $g_1 H = g_1' H.$

$$G = (\mathbb{Z}, +), H = 6\mathbb{Z}.$$

$$g_1 = 0, \quad g_1' = 6.$$

$$g_1 \neq g_1'.$$

$$0 + 6\mathbb{Z} = 6 + 6\mathbb{Z}.$$

If we prove if  $g_1 H = g_1' H,$

then  $g_1 g_2 H = g_1' g_2 H$

and if  $g_2 H = g_2' H,$  then  $g_1 g_2 H = g_1 g_2' H.$

then we can use.

$$g_1 g_2 H = g_1' g_2 H = g_1' g_2' H.$$

Step 1:  $g_1 H = g_1' H,$

$$g_1 \in g_1 H, \quad g_1' \in g_1' H.$$

$$g_1 = g_1' h_1, \quad h_1 \in H.$$

(compare  $g_1' g_2$  , and  $g_1 g_2$  .

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{g_1 g_2} &= g_1' h_1 \cdot g_2 = g_1' g_2 g_2^{-1} h_1 g_2 \\ &= \underline{g_1' g_2} \left( \underline{g_2^{-1} h_1 g_2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

is in  $H$  because  $H$   
is normal.

$$\Rightarrow g_1 g_2 H = g_1' g_2 H.$$

Step 2:  $g_2 H = g_2' H \Rightarrow \underline{g_2^{-1} g_2'} \in H.$

(compare  $g_1 g_2' H$ ,  $g_1 g_2 H$  ,  $(g_1 g_2) \cdot (g_1 g_2')^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \hookrightarrow = \underbrace{g_1 g_2 \cdot (g_2')^{-1} g_1^{-1}}_{\substack{\text{"} \\ h \in H}} \\
 & = g_1 h g_1^{-1} \in H \quad \text{because } H \text{ is normal} \\
 & \Rightarrow g_1 g_2' H = g_1 g_2 H.
 \end{aligned}$$


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Example:  $\mathbb{Z}, n\mathbb{Z}$ ,

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  has  $n$  elements

$$\{ n\mathbb{Z}, 1+n\mathbb{Z}, 2+n\mathbb{Z}, \dots, (n-1)+n\mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$(i+n\mathbb{Z}) + (j+n\mathbb{Z}) = (i+j) + n\mathbb{Z}$$

Q: What are the normal subgroups of  $S_3$ ?  
 (There is a complete answer for all  $S_n$ )

Ex:  $U(1) = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1 \}$   
 $(U(1), \cdot)$  is a group



$\mathbb{Z} \subset (\mathbb{R}, +)$  sub group.

$$\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \cong U(1)$$

$$\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow U(1)$$

$$\theta \mapsto e^{2\pi i \sqrt{1} \theta} = \cos(2\pi \theta) + i \sin(2\pi \theta)$$

Use  $e^{(a+b)} = e^a \cdot e^b$

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A natural source of normal subgroup is  
from group homomorphism

Defn (homomorphism)  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$

satisfies  $f(ab) = f(a) \cdot f(b)$

Prop:  $f(e_{G_1}) = f(e_{G_2})$

Prop:  $f(a^{-1}) = (f(a))^{-1}$

$\Rightarrow$  check

Defn:  $\ker(\rho) = \{ a \mid \rho(a) = e_{G_2} \}$

Prop: ①  $\ker(\rho)$  is normal subgroup of  $G_1$

②  $\text{Im}(\rho)$  is a subgroup of  $G_2$

Thm:  $\exists \bar{\rho} : G_1 / \ker \rho \rightarrow \text{Im} \rho$   
group isomorphism

s.t.  $\bar{\rho}(a \ker \rho) = \rho(a)$

Pf: ①  $\bar{\rho}$  "well-defined"

$a \ker \rho = a' \ker \rho$ . verify

$$\rho(a) = \rho(a')$$

①  $\bar{\rho}$  surjective.

②  $\bar{\rho}$  injective

③  $\bar{\rho}$  preserves group structure.

□

(or:  $\rho$  injective iff  $\ker \rho = \{e\}$ )

$$\text{Ex: } \rho: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$$
$$a \mapsto e^{2\pi i \sqrt{7} a}$$

$$\ker \rho = \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Im } \rho = U(1)$$