

Def An isomorphism from a group G to itself is called an automorphism of G .

Example: $\phi: (\mathbb{R}, +) \longrightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +)$ where $\lambda \neq 0$
 $x \longmapsto \lambda x$

is an automorphism

Example: $\phi: (\mathbb{R}^2, +) \longrightarrow (\mathbb{R}^2, +)$ is an automorphism
 $(a, b) \longmapsto (b, a)$

Def: Let G be a group $a \in G$. The inner automorphism of G induced by a is defined by:

$$\phi_a: G \longrightarrow G \quad (\text{conjugation by } a) \\ x \longmapsto axa^{-1}$$

(Verify that ϕ_a is an automorphism)

Example: $G = (SL_2(\mathbb{R}), \cdot)$ $M \in SL_2(\mathbb{R}) = G$.

$$\phi_M(A) = MAM^{-1} \quad \text{conjugation by } M$$

ϕ_M is an inner automorphism

Example: $D_4 = \{R_0, R_{90}, R_{180}, R_{270}, F_0, F_{45}, F_{90}, F_{135}\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{R_{90}}: \quad R_0 &\mapsto R_{90} R_0 R_{90}^{-1} = R_0 \\ F_0 &\mapsto R_{90} (F_0 R_{90}^{-1}) = R_{90} (R_{90} F_0) = R_{180} F_0 \\ &= F_{90+90}\end{aligned}$$

More precisely.

$\phi_{R_{90}}$ sends R_0 to R_0

sends $F_0 \mapsto F_{90}$ $F_{90} \mapsto F_0$

$F_{45} \mapsto F_{135}$ $F_{135} \mapsto F_{45}$

$\text{Aut}(G)$ = set of all automorphisms of G

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 $\text{Inn}(G)$ = set of all inner automorphisms of G

Thm $\text{Aut}(G)$ and $\text{Inn}(G)$ are both groups

under the operation of function composition

and $\text{Inn}(G) \leq \text{Aut}(G)$

Example $\text{Inn}(D_4) = \{ \phi_{R_0} \phi_{R_{90}} \phi_{R_{180}} \phi_{R_{270}} \phi_{F_0} \phi_{F_{45}} \phi_{F_{90}} \phi_{F_{135}} \}$

both identity map

$$Z(D_4) = \{ R_0, R_{180} \} \quad \phi_{R_{180}}(x) = R_{180} \times R_{180}^{-1} = x R_{180} R_{180}^{-1} = x \quad \forall x \in D_4$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_{R_{180}} = \text{id}_{D_4} = \phi_{R_0}$$

$$\bullet \phi_{R_{270}}(x) = R_{270} \times R_{270}^{-1} = R_{90} (R_{180} \times R_{180}^{-1}) R_{90}^{-1} = R_{90} \times R_{90}^{-1} = \phi_{R_{90}}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_{R_{270}} = \phi_{R_{90}}$$

$$\bullet \phi_{F_{90}}(x) = F_{90} \times F_{90}^{-1} = (F_0 R_{180}) \times (R_{180}^{-1} F_0^{-1}) = F_0 \underbrace{R_{180} \times R_{180}^{-1}}_{= \text{id}} F_0^{-1}$$

$$= F_0 \times F_0^{-1} = \phi_{F_0}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_{F_{90}} = \phi_{F_0} \quad \text{similarly} \quad \phi_{F_{45}} = \phi_{F_{135}}$$

Exercise: verify that $\phi_{R_0} \phi_{R_{90}} \phi_{F_0} \phi_{F_{45}}$ are all different.

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 id_{D_4}

Thm $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n) \cong U(n)$ note: $\text{Inn}(\mathbb{Z}_n) = \{\text{id}\}$

proof: let $\alpha: \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ be an isomorphism.

Then $\alpha(0) = 0$ and $\alpha(1)$ is a generator of

$$\mathbb{Z}_n \Rightarrow \alpha(1) = k \text{ where } \gcd(k, n) = 1$$

note if $\alpha(1) = k$ then $\alpha(m) = \alpha(\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_{m \text{ times}}) = \alpha(1)^m = km \pmod n$

Therefore, $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n) = \left\{ \phi(k) \mid \begin{array}{l} \phi(k): \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n \\ m \mapsto mk \pmod n \\ \gcd(k, n) = 1 \end{array} \right\}$

Define $\phi: U(n) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n)$

$$k \mapsto \phi(k)$$

Verify that ϕ is an isomorphism

- ϕ is 1-1 and onto
- ϕ is operation preserving

$$\phi(k_1 k_2)(m) = k_1 k_2 m \pmod n$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \parallel \forall m \\ \phi(k_1) \phi(k_2)(m) = \phi(k_1)(k_2 m \pmod n) = k_1 k_2 m \pmod n \end{array} \quad \swarrow \forall m$$