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The conventional sum, +, and multiplication, \times , are abelian products with distributivity. For example, if, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in (\mathbb{R}, +, \times)$, then,

$$\alpha \times (\beta + \gamma) = \alpha \times \beta + \alpha \times \gamma. \tag{1}$$

Formally, these two products form a *ring*. As aspiring goldsmiths we shall try to make chains out of these rings. Let, $\overset{0}{\times}$, and, $\overset{1}{\times}$, denote two products that behave like the conventional sum and multiplication, respectively. The set of products¹, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \beta \doteq \log^{-1} \left(\log(\alpha) \stackrel{n}{\times} \log(\beta) \right),$$
 (2)

form a sequence of abelian groups and homomorphisms. Note that, $\overset{n+1}{\times}$, is distributive in, $\overset{n}{\times}$. Proof by induction: Assume,

$$\alpha \stackrel{n}{\times} (\beta \stackrel{n-1}{\times} \gamma) = (\alpha \stackrel{n}{\times} \beta) \stackrel{n-1}{\times} (\alpha \stackrel{n}{\times} \gamma), \tag{3}$$

then,

$$\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} (\beta \stackrel{n}{\times} \gamma) = \log^{-1} \{ \log(\alpha) \stackrel{n}{\times} \log(\beta \stackrel{n}{\times} \gamma) \}$$

$$= \log^{-1} \{ \log(\alpha) \stackrel{n}{\times} [\log(\beta) \stackrel{n-1}{\times} \log(\gamma)] \}$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} \log^{-1} \{ [\log(\alpha) \stackrel{n}{\times} \log(\beta)] \stackrel{n-1}{\times} [\log(\alpha) \stackrel{n}{\times} \log(\gamma)] \}$$

$$= \log^{-1} \{ \log(\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \beta) \stackrel{n}{\times} \log(\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \gamma) \}$$

$$= (\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \beta) \stackrel{n}{\times} (\alpha \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \gamma). \tag{4}$$

This covers the proof for, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Left to the reader is the proof for, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^-$.

In future posts, I will share more trivia about this structure and discuss possible applications.

¹Details such as the base of the log function and its algebraic role are discussed later on.

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In the latest slide we defined a sequence of abelian products, based on the log function. A complete definition requires a generalisation of the log function to operate on negative reals. Before doing this, let us appreciate the behaviour of these products in, \mathbb{R}^+ . The definition in Eq. (2) makes it clear these products are commutative. As observed in Coya's law, this is not always obvious, e.g., the equivalent definition of, $\stackrel{2}{\times}$, as,

$$\alpha \stackrel{2}{\times} \beta = \alpha^{\log \beta}. \tag{5}$$

The product, $\stackrel{2}{\times}$, is interesting, together with, $\stackrel{-1}{\times}$, are the closest relatives to the conventional products, $\stackrel{0}{\times}$, and, $\stackrel{1}{\times}$, for which we hold more intuition. The product, $\stackrel{2}{\times}$, is distributive in the conventional multiplication ($\stackrel{1}{\times}$). This makes, $\stackrel{2}{\times}$, the abelian version of the power product, which is also distributive in the multiplication, i.e., $(\alpha \times \beta)^{\gamma} = \alpha^{\gamma} \times \beta^{\gamma}$.

It is convenient to move to a more abstract characterisation. Each product, $\overset{\circ}{\times}$, forms a group denoted, \mathfrak{g}_n , with elements, $\overset{\circ}{\alpha}$, $\overset{\circ}{\beta}$, ... Arbitrary elements in the sequence of groups are denoted without the upper index, i.e., α . Some definitions and conventions:

$$\stackrel{n}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\beta} = \stackrel{n}{\beta} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\alpha}, \tag{6a}$$

$$\overset{n}{\alpha} \overset{n}{\times} \overset{n}{I_{0}} = \overset{n}{I_{0}} \overset{n}{\times} \overset{n}{\alpha} = \overset{n}{\alpha}, \tag{6b}$$

$$\stackrel{n}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{I_1} = \stackrel{n}{I_1} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\alpha} = \stackrel{n}{I_1}.$$
 (6c)

$$\left(\tilde{\mathcal{F}}\left(\tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{n}\alpha\right)\right) = \tilde{\alpha} \tag{7a}$$

$$\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\alpha}\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\times}(\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\mathscr{T}}\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\alpha})=(\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\mathscr{T}}\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\alpha})\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\times}\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\alpha}=\overset{\scriptscriptstyle n}{\mathrm{I}_0}, \tag{7b}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{T}} \stackrel{n}{I_0} = \stackrel{n}{I_0} \tag{7c}$$

$$\overset{\circ}{\alpha} \overset{\circ}{\times} (\overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}} \overset{\circ}{\mathrm{I}_{1}}) = (\overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}} \overset{\circ}{\mathrm{I}_{1}}) \overset{\circ}{\times} \overset{\circ}{\alpha} = \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{T}} \overset{\circ}{\mathrm{I}_{1}}.$$
 (7d)

Abusing of notation on behalf of intuition we keep, $\log(.)$, to denote the generator of homomorphisms. We use, $\log^{+1}(.) = \log(.)$, and, $\log^{-1}(\log(\tilde{\alpha})) = \log(\log^{-1}(\tilde{\alpha})) = \tilde{\alpha}$. The logarithm (and its inverse) connects nearby groups along the sequence, i.e.,

$$\stackrel{^{n-1}}{\alpha} = \log(\stackrel{n}{\alpha}) \in \stackrel{^{n}}{\mathcal{F}} \stackrel{^{n}}{\mathrm{I}_{1}} \tag{8a}$$

$$\stackrel{n+1}{\alpha} = \log^{-1}(\stackrel{n}{\alpha}) \in \stackrel{n}{I_1}. \tag{8b}$$

I imagine the elements, $\overset{n}{\alpha}$, $\overset{n+1}{\alpha}$, ..., as different scales of a physical degree of freedom. Formally, $\overset{n}{\mathcal{F}}$ $\overset{n}{\mathrm{I}}_{1}$, and, $\overset{n}{\mathrm{I}}_{1}$, are elements of an *ideal*, but they feel as the horizont of too large/small elements from the perspective of the *n*-scale. Next we identify these elements in, (\mathbb{R}^{+}, \times) .

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As a complement to Eqs. (8) are the relations,

$$\log(\tilde{\mathcal{F}} \tilde{I}_{1}^{n}) = \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \tilde{I}_{1}^{n-1}, \quad \log(\tilde{I}_{1}) = \tilde{I}_{1}^{n-1}, \quad \text{and,} \quad \log(\tilde{I}_{0}) = \tilde{I}_{0}^{n-1}. \tag{9}$$

Example. Taking, (\mathbb{R}^+, \times) , as a representation of the n-group (\mathfrak{g}_n) one obtains that,

$$0^{+} \equiv \tilde{\mathcal{T}} \stackrel{n}{I_{1}}, \quad +\infty \equiv \stackrel{n}{I_{1}}, \quad 1 \equiv \stackrel{n}{I_{0}}, \quad \text{and}, \quad 1/\stackrel{n}{\alpha} \equiv \tilde{\mathcal{T}} \stackrel{n}{\alpha}. \tag{10}$$

Denoting, $\log[y](x) = \log_y(x)$, and letting, $\overset{n}{\alpha}, \overset{n}{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^+ - (0^+ \cup +\infty)$, note that,

$$\log[\overset{n}{\beta}](\overset{n}{\alpha}) \notin \overset{n}{\mathcal{F}} \overset{n}{\mathrm{I}_{1}},\tag{11}$$

which contradicts, Eq. (8a). An instance of this observation is, $\log_{2.56}(11.4) \notin 0^+$. Is there a base that can fulfill Eqs. (8)? Understood as a limit, note that,

$$\log[\overset{n}{\mathrm{I}}_{1}](\overset{n}{\alpha}) \in \overset{n}{\mathscr{T}}\overset{n}{\mathrm{I}}_{1}. \tag{12}$$

An instance of this observation is, $(+\infty)^x = 23.71 \Rightarrow x \in 0^+$. This suggests the local identification, $\log(1) = \log[\tilde{I}_1](1)$. Comparing the Eqs. (9) with the limits,

$$\log[+\infty](0^+) = -1^<, \quad \log+\infty = 1^<, \quad \text{and}, \quad \log[+\infty](1) = 0,$$
 (13)

implies,

$$-1^{<} \equiv \mathcal{F}^{n-1} \stackrel{n-1}{I_1}, \quad 1^{<} \equiv \stackrel{n-1}{I_1}, \quad \text{and}, \quad 0 \equiv \stackrel{n-1}{I_0}.$$
 (14)

Whenever the group, \mathfrak{g}_n , is associated to, (\mathbb{R}^+, \times) , the open interval, (-1, +1), provides the elements for the abelian group, \mathfrak{g}_{n-1} , associated to the product, $\overset{n-1}{\times}$, with group identity, $I_0 \equiv 0$, and inverse, $\overset{n-1}{\mathscr{F}}(.) \equiv (-1) \times (.)$. Recalling that, $\overset{n}{\times}$, is distributive in, $\overset{n-1}{\times}$, completes the similarities of, $\overset{n-1}{\times}$, with the conventional sum, +.

²An alternative is, $\log(.) \equiv \log[\tilde{\mathcal{F}}^n \tilde{I}_1](.)$, which modifies by, $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{n-1}$, the output.

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The definition of the log action can be extended beyond the transformation of elements defined in Eqs. (8). From Eq. (2), it follows that,

$$\log(\stackrel{n}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\beta}) = \log(\stackrel{n}{\alpha}) \stackrel{n-1}{\times} \log(\stackrel{n}{\beta}). \tag{15}$$

Define the log action on products as,

$$\log(\overset{n}{\times}) = \overset{n-1}{\times} . \tag{16}$$

The Eq. (15) now follows from distributivity of the log action in elements and products, i.e.,

$$\log(\stackrel{n}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\beta}) = \log(\stackrel{n}{\alpha}) \log(\stackrel{n}{\times}) \log(\stackrel{n}{\beta}). \tag{17}$$

Similarly, one can define the log action on the inverse as,

$$\log(\tilde{\mathcal{T}}) = \tilde{\mathcal{T}}.$$
 (18)

The familiar relation, $\overset{n}{\alpha} \in (\mathbb{R}^+, \times)$:

$$\log(1/\overset{n}{\alpha}) = -\log(\overset{n}{\alpha}),\tag{19}$$

motivates the general form, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\log(\tilde{\mathcal{T}}^{n} \overset{n}{\alpha}) = \tilde{\mathcal{T}}^{n-1} \log(\overset{n}{\alpha}). \tag{20}$$

The latter equation also follows from distributivity of the log action on elements and inverse operations, i.e.,

$$\log(\tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{n}\tilde{\alpha}) = \log(\tilde{\mathcal{F}})\log(\tilde{\alpha}). \tag{21}$$

Recall from slide Nr. 003, that if, $\overset{n}{\alpha} \in (\mathbb{R}^+, \times)$, then, $\overset{n-1}{\alpha} = \log(\overset{n}{\alpha})$, is an element of a sum-like group with inverse, $\overset{n-1}{\mathcal{T}}(.) \equiv (-1) \times (.)$, then,

$$\log(\mathcal{F}^{n-1}\alpha^{n-1}) \equiv \log(-\alpha^{n-1}). \tag{22}$$

Together with Eq. (20), one obtains,

$$\log(-\stackrel{n-1}{\alpha}) = \stackrel{n-2}{\mathcal{F}} \log(\stackrel{n-1}{\alpha}). \tag{23}$$

This describes the log action on the negative numbers as a particular case. In the next slide we identify the inverse, \mathcal{T}^{n-2} .

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The sequence of products defined in Eq. (2) requires a consistent definition for the log action on negative numbers. Such definition is given by Eq. (23) if, (\mathbb{R}^+, \times) , represents the n-group³. To fully identify Eq. (23) in the present representation reduces to identify the product inverse, \mathcal{T} . Comparing the Eqs. (9) and (14) with the limits,

$$\log[+\infty](-1^{<}) = -\infty, \quad \log[+\infty](+1^{<}) = 0^{-}, \quad \text{and}, \quad \log[+\infty](0) = -1,$$
 (24)

implies,

$$-\infty \equiv \mathcal{F}^{n-2} \stackrel{n-2}{I_1}, \quad 0^- \equiv \stackrel{n-2}{I_1}, \quad \text{and}, \quad -1 \equiv \stackrel{n-2}{I_0}. \tag{25}$$

The set, \mathbb{R}^- , provides the elements for the abelian group, \mathfrak{g}_{n-2} , with associated product, $\overset{n-2}{\times}$, group identity, -1, and inverse, $\overset{n-2}{\mathcal{F}} \equiv 1/(.)$. Comparing with Eqs. (10) one obtains that, $\overset{n-2}{\mathcal{F}} \equiv \overset{n}{\mathcal{F}}$. The latter identification is not a general property of the sequence of products, it results from the limited description of the representation chosen. In general, the native representation of the inverse is given by, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:⁴

$$\mathcal{T}^{n}(.) \equiv (\mathcal{T}^{n} \stackrel{n+1}{I_0}) \stackrel{n+1}{\times} (.). \tag{26}$$

Despite, \mathbb{R}^- , is not closed under the conventional multiplication, \times , it is closed under the product, $\overset{n-2}{\times}$, as defined in Eq. (2). Proof: Using Eq. (8) one proceeds by induction,

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
\stackrel{n-2}{\alpha} \stackrel{n-2}{\times} \stackrel{n-2}{\beta} & = & \log\left(\log^{-1}(\stackrel{n-2}{\alpha}) \stackrel{n-1}{\times} \log^{-1}(\stackrel{n-2}{\beta})\right) \\
& = & \log(\stackrel{n-1}{\alpha} \stackrel{n-1}{\times} \stackrel{n-1}{\beta}) = \log(\stackrel{n-1}{\gamma}) = \stackrel{n-2}{\gamma}.
\end{array} (27)$$

As explained in more detail in slide Nr. 8, due to limitations in the representation, the groups, \mathfrak{g}_n , and, \mathfrak{g}_{n+4m} , where, $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, are related by an automorphism. Under this representation, it is therefore sufficient to identify four consecutive groups to describe the sequence of groups. After setting, $\mathfrak{g}_n \equiv (\mathbb{R}^+, \times)$, we already identified the consecutive groups, \mathfrak{g}_{n-1} , and, \mathfrak{g}_{n-2} . In slide Nr. 8 we complete the analysis by identifying, \mathfrak{g}_{n-3} , but before we shall refine some concepts.

 $^{{}^{3}}$ The choice of representation for the n-group constrains the representation of nearby groups.

⁴To test involution of inverse in the native rep, note that, $\alpha \stackrel{m}{\times} (\stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}} \beta) = (\stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}} \alpha) \stackrel{m}{\times} \beta = \stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}} (\alpha \stackrel{n}{\times} \beta)$, if, m = n + 1.

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Define the n-group's 'absolute value' as,

$$|\cdot|_n = |\cdot|_{n-1} \stackrel{n}{\times} \stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}} (\cdot), \tag{28}$$

where, $|.|_0$, is the conventional absolute value. The instants,

$$|-\stackrel{\circ}{\alpha}|_{0} = |\stackrel{\circ}{\alpha}|_{0}, \quad |1/\stackrel{1}{\alpha}|_{1} = |\stackrel{1}{\alpha}|_{1},$$
 (29)

and,

$$|1/\stackrel{\circ}{\alpha}|_{0} = 1/|\stackrel{\circ}{\alpha}|_{0}, \quad |-\stackrel{1}{\alpha}|_{1} = -|\stackrel{1}{\alpha}|_{1},$$
 (30)

motivate the general assumptions,⁵

$$|\overset{n\pm 1}{\mathcal{T}}\overset{n}{\alpha}|_{n} = \overset{n\pm 1}{\mathcal{T}}|\overset{n}{\alpha}|_{n}, \quad \text{and}, \quad |\overset{n}{\mathcal{T}}\overset{n}{\alpha}|_{n} = |\overset{n}{\alpha}|_{n}. \tag{31}$$

An important property is that, $|\mathfrak{g}_n|_n$, is isomorphic to the open interval, $(\tilde{I}_0, \tilde{I}_1)$, while, $|\mathfrak{g}_n|_{n+1}$, is isomorphic to, \mathbb{Z}_2 . The proof of the latter is the following: Any element in, \mathfrak{g}_n , can be parametrised as, $\tilde{\alpha} = (\tilde{\mathcal{T}})^{\nu} | \tilde{\alpha} |_n$, where, $(\tilde{\mathcal{T}})^1 = \tilde{\mathcal{T}}$, and, $(\tilde{\mathcal{T}})^2(.) = \tilde{I}_0^n \times (.)$. Then,

$$|\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n+1} = |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n} \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \stackrel{n+1}{\mathcal{F}} \stackrel{n}{\alpha}$$

$$= |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n} \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \stackrel{n+1}{\mathcal{F}} (\stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}})^{\nu} |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n}$$

$$= (\stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}})^{\nu} (|\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n} \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \stackrel{n+1}{\mathcal{F}} |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n}) = (\stackrel{n}{\mathcal{F}})^{\nu} \stackrel{n}{I}_{0}.$$
(32)

In general, $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$:

$$|\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n-k} = |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_n \times \stackrel{n}{\alpha} \times \stackrel{n-1}{\alpha} \times \stackrel{n}{\alpha} \times \cdots \times \stackrel{n-k+1}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{\alpha}, \tag{33}$$

and,

$$|\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n+k} = |\stackrel{n}{\alpha}|_{n} \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \stackrel{n+1}{\mathscr{T}} \stackrel{n+1}{\alpha} \stackrel{n+1}{\times} \stackrel{n+2}{\mathscr{T}} \stackrel{n+2}{\alpha} \stackrel{n+3}{\times} \cdots \stackrel{n+k}{\times} \stackrel{n+k}{\mathscr{T}} \stackrel{n}{\alpha}.$$
 (34)

⁵Despite, $(\mathring{\mathcal{T}} \overset{n}{\alpha}) \overset{n}{\times} \overset{n}{\beta} \neq \overset{n}{\alpha} \overset{n}{\times} (\mathring{\mathcal{T}} \overset{n}{\beta})$, it holds that, $(\mathring{\mathcal{T}} \mid \overset{n}{\alpha} \mid_{n \pm 1}) \overset{n}{\times} \overset{n}{\alpha} = |\overset{n}{\alpha} \mid_{n \pm 1} \overset{n}{\times} (\overset{n}{\mathcal{T}} \overset{n}{\alpha})$. Some of these assumptions can be derived from a minimal set, so there is work to do for a more concise presentation.

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Define the proper metric in, \mathfrak{g}_n , as,

$$g_n(\alpha,\beta) = |\alpha \times^n \mathcal{F}_{\beta} \beta|_n. \tag{35}$$

The metric, g_{n+1} , distinguishes attributes between elements, $\overset{n}{\alpha}, \overset{n}{\beta} \in \mathfrak{g}_n$, that go 'under the radar' in the metric, g_n . These attributes are generated by the group inverse, $\overset{n}{\mathscr{T}}$.

Recall the identifications, $0^+ \equiv \mathcal{J} \stackrel{n}{\mathrm{I}}_1$, and, $0 \equiv \stackrel{n-1}{\mathrm{I}}_0$. The instant, $0^+ \in 0$, motivates the general assumption, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$:

$$\mathcal{T}_{1}^{n} \in \overset{n-1}{I_{0}}. \tag{36}$$

Moreover, since, $\widetilde{\mathcal{T}}^{n-1}$ $\widetilde{I}_0^{n-1} = \widetilde{I}_0^{n-1}$, then it also holds that, $\widetilde{\mathcal{T}}^{n-1}$ $\widetilde{\mathcal{T}}^{n-1}$ $\widetilde{I}_1 \in \widetilde{I}_0^{n-1}$. Recalling that, $\widetilde{\mathcal{T}} \equiv (-1) \times (.)$, the latter case corresponds to the instant, $0^- \in 0$, .

Two elements, $\overset{n}{\alpha}$, and, $\overset{n}{\beta}$, are said to be *infinitesimally close* if,

$$g_n(\stackrel{n}{\alpha},\stackrel{n}{\beta}) = \stackrel{n+1}{\mathcal{F}} \stackrel{n+1}{\mathrm{I}_1}, \tag{37}$$

and said to have the same phase if,

$$g_{n+1}(\overset{n}{\alpha},\overset{n}{\beta}) = \overset{n+2}{\mathcal{F}} \overset{n+2}{\mathrm{I}_1}. \tag{38}$$

If two elements of the same group are infinitesimally close and have the same phase they are said to be equal elements in the group, denoted, $\overset{n}{\alpha} \stackrel{n}{=} \overset{n}{\beta}$. Two elements, α, β , are said to be equal if, $g_n(\alpha, \beta) = \overset{n+1}{\mathcal{T}} \overset{n+1}{I_1}$, for all, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Away of the identity, being infinitesimally close is sufficient criteria for equality in the group, i.e., if, $g_n(\overset{n}{\alpha},\overset{n}{\beta})=\overset{n+1}{\mathcal{F}}\overset{n+1}{I_1}$, and, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\notin\overset{n}{I_0}$, then, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\overset{n}{=}\overset{n}{\beta}$. Proof: $g_n(\overset{n}{\alpha},\overset{n}{\beta})=\overset{n+1}{\mathcal{F}}\overset{n+1}{I_1}$, implies, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\overset{n}{\times}\overset{n}{\mathcal{F}}\overset{n}{\beta}\in\overset{n}{I_0}$, therefore, $\overset{n}{\alpha}=\overset{n}{\beta}\overset{n}{\times}\overset{n}{\gamma},\overset{n}{\gamma}\in\overset{n}{I_0}$. Note that, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\notin\overset{n}{I_0}$, if and only if, $\overset{n}{\beta}\notin\overset{n}{I_0}$, otherwise, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\overset{n}{\times}\overset{n}{\mathcal{F}}\overset{n}{\beta}\notin\overset{n}{I_0}$, which is a contradiction. Since, $\overset{n}{\beta}\notin\overset{n}{I_0}$, then, $\overset{n}{\beta}\overset{n}{\times}\overset{n}{\gamma}\overset{n}{=}\overset{n}{\beta}$, therefore, $\overset{n}{\alpha}\overset{n}{=}\overset{n}{\beta}$. From now on, the equality, =, in Eqs. (6) and (7) is replaced by, $\overset{n}{=}$.

Any element in a group can be reinterpreted as a set of infinitesimally close elements in the group metric. Denote, $\overset{n}{\beta} \in \overset{n}{\alpha}$, if the element, $\overset{n}{\beta}$, is infinitesimally close to the element, $\overset{n}{\alpha}$. For example, $0^{\pm} \in 0$, reads as: the elements, 0^{-} , and, 0^{+} , are infinitesimally close to zero, in their proper group metric.

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In analogy to the limits, $\pm \infty = 1/0^{\pm}$, define,

$$\infty = 1/0. \tag{39}$$

We are no longer in the real line, the element, ∞ , is the point at infinity in the real projective line.

Comparing the Eqs. (9) and (25) with the limits,

$$\log[+\infty](-\infty) = +1^{>}, \quad \log[+\infty](0^{-}) = -1^{>}, \quad \text{and}, \quad \log[+\infty](-1) = \infty,$$
 (40)

implies,

$$+1^{>} \equiv \mathcal{F}^{n-3} \stackrel{n-3}{I_1}, \quad -1^{>} \equiv \stackrel{n-3}{I_1}, \quad \text{and}, \quad \infty \equiv \stackrel{n-3}{I_0}.$$
 (41)

The set, $\mathbb{R} - (-1, +1)$, provides the elements for the abelian group, \mathfrak{g}_{n-3} , with group identity, ∞ , and inverse, \mathcal{F} (.) $\equiv (-1) \times$ (.). As a result of the representation note that, $\mathcal{F} \equiv \mathcal{F}$. Finally, comparing the Eqs. (9) and (43) with the limits,

$$\log[+\infty](+1^{>}) = 0^{+}, \quad \log[+\infty](-1^{>}) = +\infty, \quad \text{and}, \quad \log[+\infty](\infty) = +1, \quad (42)$$

implies,

$$0^{+} \equiv \mathcal{F}^{n-4} \stackrel{n-4}{I_{1}}, +\infty \equiv \stackrel{n-4}{I_{1}}, \text{ and, } +1 \equiv \stackrel{n-4}{I_{0}}.$$
 (43)

Comparing the latter with Eq. (10) it follows that, \mathfrak{g}_{n-4} , and, \mathfrak{g}_n , are related by an automorphism. Since, $\mathfrak{g}_n \equiv (\mathbb{R}^+, \times)$, and, $\stackrel{1}{\times}$, behaves as the conventional multiplication, then, \mathfrak{g}_1 , and, \mathfrak{g}_n , are related by an automorphism. This implies that, n, must be an odd integer.

As a homework I suggest to study the relation between the sequence of groups, $\mathfrak{g}_n, \mathfrak{g}_{n+1}, ...$, and the formal concept of a *chain complex*.

I guess for a "Twitter thread" this is enough. A development of these notes may soon appear in the website,

https://judijasa.github.io/