

Linear Algebra Assignment 1

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Exercise 1:

show that following are group homomorphisms.

Key Point:

Given two groups (G, \cdot) and $(H, *)$. A function $\phi : G \rightarrow H$ is called **group homomorphism** if , for all $g_1, g_2 \in G$,

$$\phi(g_1 \cdot g_2) = \phi(g_1) * \phi(g_2)$$

1) $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}, f(n) = 2n$

\mathbb{Z} are groups under addition operation.

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, f(g_1), f(g_2) \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$f(g_1 + g_2) = 2(g_1 + g_2) = 2g_1 + 2g_2 = f(g_1) + f(g_2)$$

$\therefore f$ is a group homomorphism

□

2) $\det : GL_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C} - \{0\}, \cdot)$

$GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ forms group under matrix multiplication

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in GL_n(\mathbb{C}), f(g_1), f(g_2) \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$$

$$\det(g_1 g_2) = \det(g_1) \det(g_2)$$

$\therefore \det$ is a group homomorphism

□

3) $f : (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R} - \{0\}, \cdot), f(r) = e^r$

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in \mathbb{R}, f(g_1), f(g_2) \in \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$$

$$f(g_1 + g_2) = e^{g_1 + g_2} = e^{g_1} \cdot e^{g_2} = f(g_1) \cdot f(g_2)$$

$\therefore f$ is a group homomorphism

□

Exercise 2:

Show that kernel and image of a homomorphism are subgroups
By definition of homomorphisms.

let $f : G \rightarrow H$ be a homomorphism where G, H are groups.

image of $f, \forall g_1, g_2 \in G,$

$$f(g_1 g_2) = f(g_1) f(g_2)$$

$$f(g_1) = f(g_1 e_G) = f(g_1) f(e_G)$$

$f(e_G) = e_H$ so identity element exists in the image

$\forall h_1, h_2 \in \text{img}(f(G)), h_1 = f(g_1), h_2 = f(g_2)$ for some $g_1, g_2 \in G$

$$h_1 h_2 = f(g_1) f(g_2) = f(g_1 g_2) = f(g_3) \in \text{img}(f(G))$$

image of f is closed

$$e_H = f(e_G) = f(g g^{-1}) = f(g) f(g^{-1})$$

so, $f(g)^{-1} = f(g^{-1})$, so inverse element does exists

\therefore image of homomorphism are subgroups

Kernel of $f, g \in G$ such that $f(g) = e_H$

$e_G, f(e_G) = e_H$ so there exists identity element in kernel.

$$f(g_1 g_2) = f(g_1) f(g_2) = e_H e_H = e_H, \text{ kernel is closed.}$$

$f(g^{-1}) = f(g)^{-1} = e_H^{-1} = e_H$, so the inverse element exists in kernel.

\therefore kernel forms a subgroup

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Exercise 3:

Show that \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} is isomorphic to S^1 .

Proof:

\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} forms a group under addition

S^1 forms a group under addition

Define a function from $\phi : \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S^1$

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

ϕ is well defined.

suppose, $\theta' - \theta = n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\phi(\theta') = e^{2\pi i(\theta+n)} = e^{2\pi i \theta} \cdot e^{2\pi i n} = e^{2\pi i \theta}$$

$\therefore \phi(\theta) = \phi(\theta'), \phi$ is well defined.

$$\phi(\theta_1 + \theta_2) = e^{2\pi i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} = e^{2\pi i \theta_1} \cdot e^{2\pi i \theta_2} = \phi(\theta_1) + \phi(\theta_2)$$

$\therefore \phi$ is a group homomorphism.

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