

Q41 Chap 3.

Known group G is $G = \mathbb{R}^*$, the group of non-zero real numbers under mult.

i.e. $e = 1$, $x^{-1} = \frac{1}{x}$

Consider $H = \left\{ \underbrace{a + b\sqrt{2}} : \underbrace{a, b \in \mathbb{Q}, a, b \text{ not both zero}} \right\}$

Clearly $H \subset G$

$\Rightarrow a + b\sqrt{2} \neq 0$

Prove, using Prop 3.30, that H is a subgroup of \mathbb{R}^* . remember $\sqrt{2} \notin \mathbb{Q}$

1. $e = 1 \in H$, since $1 = 1 + 0\sqrt{2}$
i.e. $a = 1, b = 0$

2. Closure. We need to prove that $\forall h_1, h_2 \in H$ $h_1 h_2 \in H$.

$a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Q}$

So let $a + b\sqrt{2}, c + d\sqrt{2} \in H$

$\neq (a + b\sqrt{2})(c + d\sqrt{2}) \in H$

$= ac + ad\sqrt{2} + bc\sqrt{2} + 2bd$

$$= \frac{(ac+2bd)}{\substack{\in \mathbb{Q} \\ \checkmark}} + \frac{(ad+bc)}{\substack{\in \mathbb{Q} \\ \checkmark}} \sqrt{2} \in H \checkmark$$

and $(ac+2bd)$ and $(ad+bc)$ are not both zero since RHS. $\neq 0$

3. Existence (in H) of all inverses.

Consider an element $a+b\sqrt{2} \in H$.

Q? Is $(a+b\sqrt{2})^{-1} \in H$??

$$(a+b\sqrt{2})^{-1} = \frac{1}{a+b\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{(a-b\sqrt{2})}{(a-b\sqrt{2})}$$

$$= \frac{a-b\sqrt{2}}{a^2-2b^2}$$

$$= \frac{a}{\substack{\in \mathbb{Q} \\ \checkmark}} + \frac{-b}{\substack{\in \mathbb{Q} \\ \checkmark}} \sqrt{2} \in H.$$

So by Prop 3.30 H is a subgroup \mathbb{R}^* .

/ all congruences
classes modulo 12
 $\mathbb{Z}_{12} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 11\}$

Q6 Recall.



$$U(12) = \{ a \in \mathbb{Z}_{12} : \gcd(a, 12) = 1 \}$$

$$= \{ 1, 5, 7, 11 \}$$

$$\gcd(0, 12) = \underline{12}, \quad \gcd(3, 12) = 3$$

.	1	5	7	11
1	1	5	7	11
5	5	1	11	7
7	7	11	1	5
11	11	7	5	1

$$\begin{aligned} 5 \cdot 11 &\equiv 5(-1) \\ &\equiv -5 \\ &\equiv 7 \end{aligned}$$

$U(12)$

When filling out Cayley tables

- every row and column contains each element once and only once

- Remember $11 \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, $7 \equiv -5 \pmod{12}$

.	1	3	5	7
1	1	3	5	7
3	3	1	7	5
5	5	7	1	3
7	7	5	3	1

$U(8)$

Do we regard $U(12), U(8)$ as having a different group structure? Might they have the same group structure?

Because the Cayley tables have the same structure, after the mapping $\phi: U(12) \rightarrow U(8)$

$$1 \mapsto 1$$

$$8 \mapsto 3$$

$$7 \mapsto 5$$

$$11 \mapsto 7$$

~~the~~ $U(12)$ "turns into" $U(8)$

ϕ is an example of an isomorphism.

Do all groups of order 4 have this structure?

Consider $\mathbb{Z}_4, +$

+	0	1	2	3
0	0	1	2	3
1	1	2	3	0
2	2	3	0	1
3	3	0	1	2

\mathbb{Z}_4

same as $U(8)$?

But in $U(8)$, all elements are self-inverse. In \mathbb{Z}_4 this is not so

$$-2 \equiv 2, \quad -1 \equiv 3$$

$$-3 \equiv 1$$

$$-0 \equiv 0$$

For this reason \mathbb{Z}_4 has a different group structure to $U(8), U(12)$.

Q48 A theoretical, general question.

Let G be a group.

$$Z(G) = \{x \in G : \forall g \in G \quad xg = gx\}$$

called the centre of G .

Zentrum German for centre.

Now if G is Abelian, $Z(G) = G$

But for a non-Abelian group G the centre is an interesting subset, all the special elements x that commute with all elements in G .

Prove $Z(G)$ is a subgroup of G .

Use prop 3.30

Proof:

1: $e \in Z(G)$? \checkmark

Let $g \in G$. $eg = g = g = ge$
from the definition of the group G .

2. Closure.

Let $a, b \in Z(G)$, $Q? ab \in Z(G)?$

let $g \in G$

$$\begin{aligned}(ab)g &= a(bg) \quad , \quad \text{by associativity} \\ \text{~~~~~} &= a(gb) \quad , \quad \text{since } b \in Z(G) \\ &\quad \text{ie. } \forall g \in G \quad bg = gb \\ &= (ag)b \quad , \quad \text{associativity.} \\ &= (ga)b \quad , \quad a \in Z(G) \\ &= g(ab) \quad , \quad \text{by associativity}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \in Z(G) \quad \checkmark$$

From now on, associativity always holds in groups, so we can adopt the convention of not including parentheses in triple/multi products.

$$\begin{aligned}abg &= agb \quad , \quad b \in Z(G) \\ &= gab \quad , \quad a \in Z(G)\end{aligned}$$

$$(x^{-1})^{-1} = x$$

3. For $a \in Z(G)$ Q? Is $a^{-1} \in Z(G)$?

Let $g \in G$ $\forall g \in G$ $ag = ga$

$$a^{-1}g = ((a^{-1}g)^{-1})^{-1} \quad \checkmark \text{ by prop 3.20}$$

$$= (g^{-1}(a^{-1})^{-1})^{-1}, \text{ by prop 3.19}$$


$$= (g^{-1}a)^{-1}, \text{ prop 3.20}$$

$$= (ag^{-1})^{-1}, a \in Z(G)$$

$$= (g^{-1})^{-1}a^{-1}, \text{ prop 3.19.}$$

$$= ga^{-1}, \text{ prop 3.20.}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in Z(G)$$

So by Prop 3.30 $Z(G)$ is a
subgroup of G . 

Consider $D_3 = \{id, \rho_1, \rho_2, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3\}$

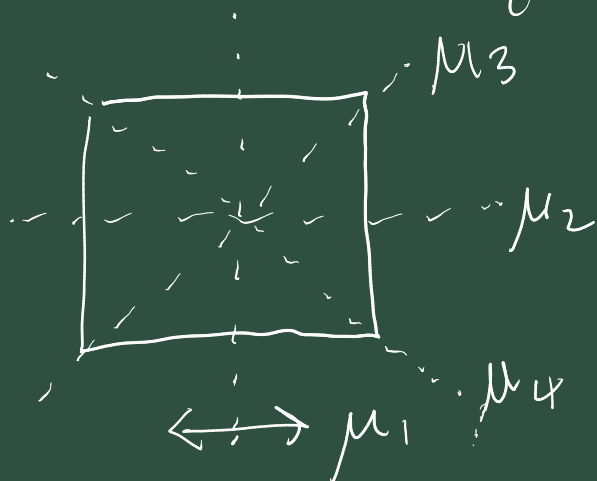
$Z(D_3) = \{id\}$, the trivial subgroup

is $\rho_1 \in Z(D_3)$? $\rho_1 \circ \mu_2 = \mu_1$
No $\mu_2 \circ \rho_1 = \mu_3$

Consider D_4 , a group of order 8.

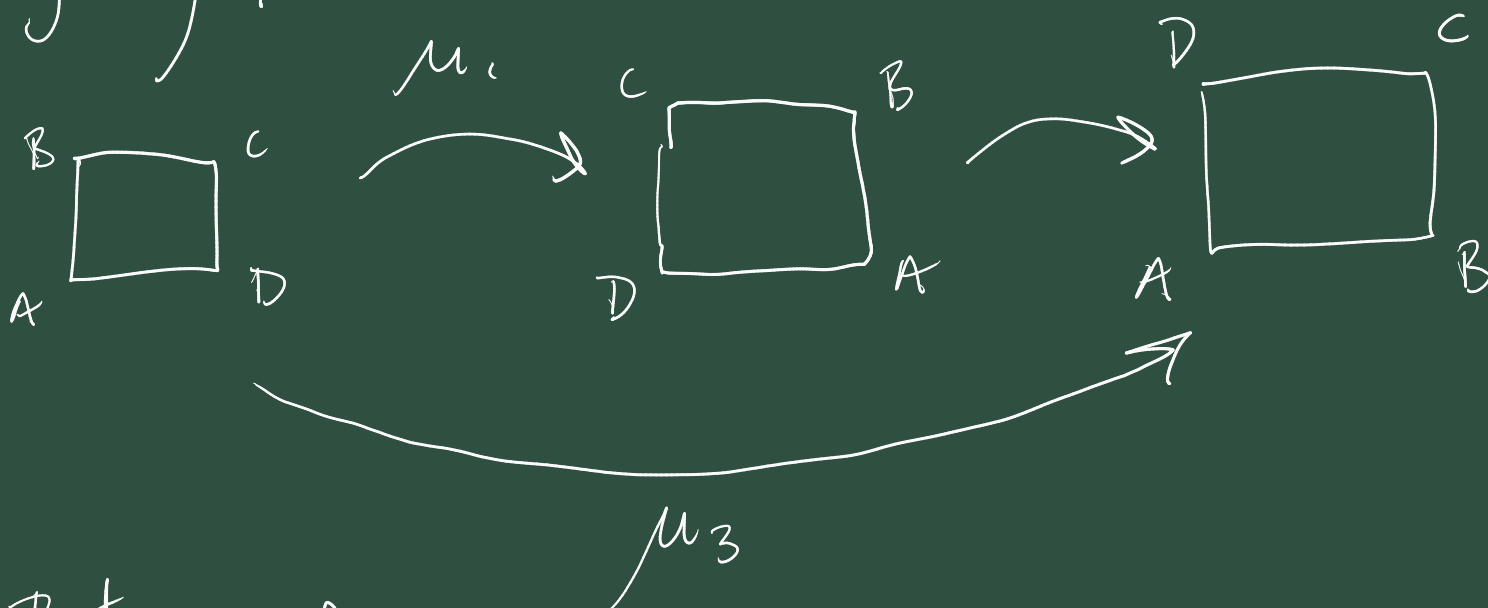
$$D_4 = \{e, \rho, \rho^2, \rho^3, \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4\}$$

rot
by
 $\frac{\pi}{2}$ radians.
clockwise.

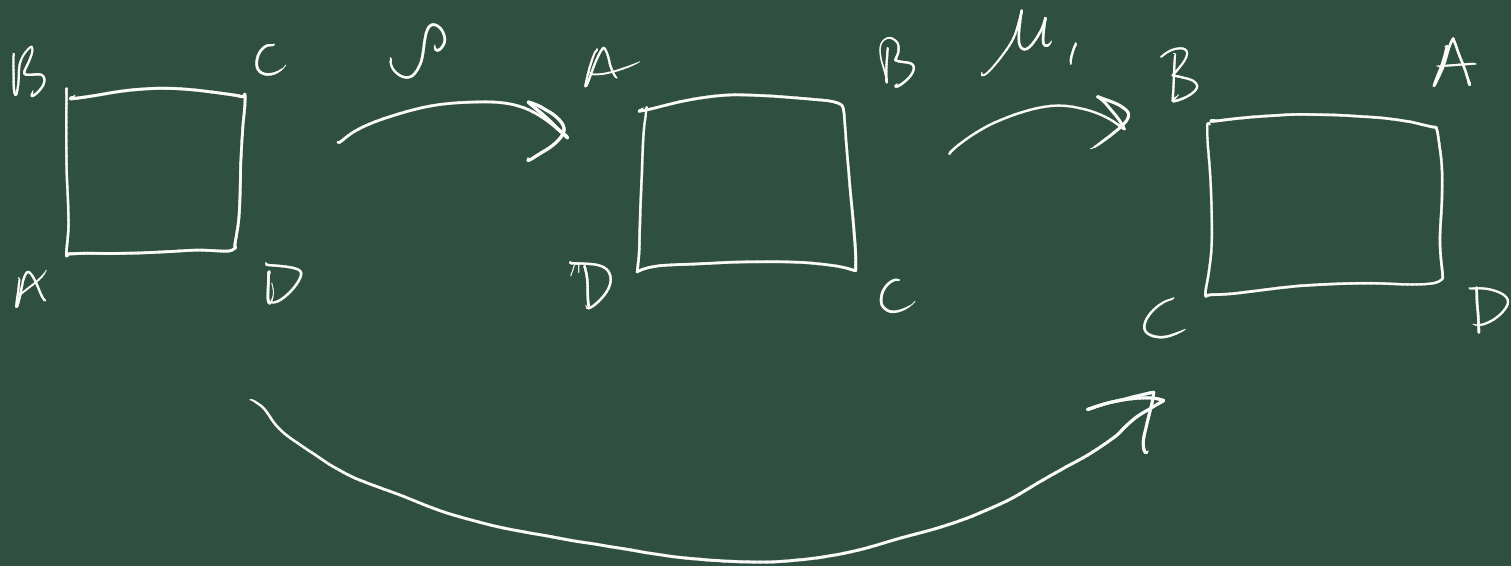


$$Z(D_4) = \{e, \rho^2\}$$

$$\rho \circ \mu_1$$



But $\mu_1 \circ \rho$



So $\rho \circ \mu_1 \neq \mu_1 \circ \rho \Rightarrow \rho, \mu_1 \notin Z(D_4)$

The same can be said of any other reflection $\mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4 \notin Z(D_4)$

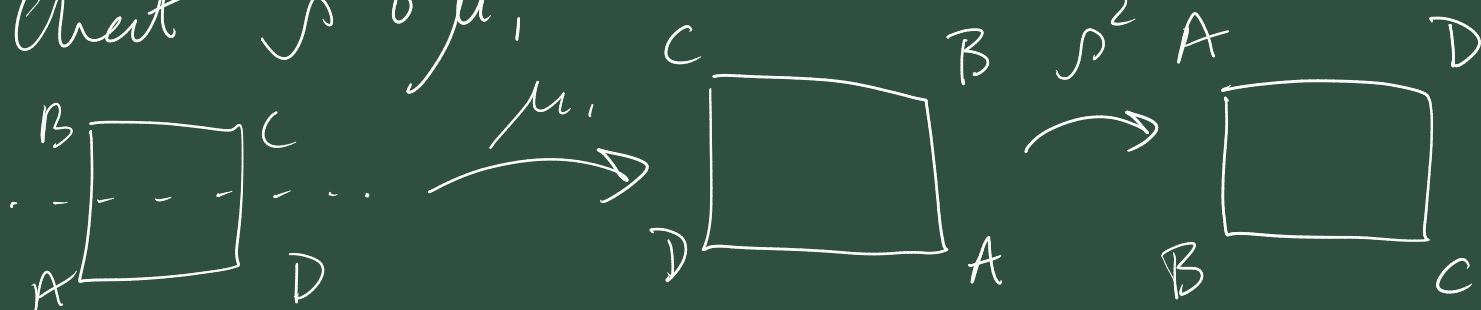
The same can also be said about $\rho^3 \notin Z(D_4)$ be discussed

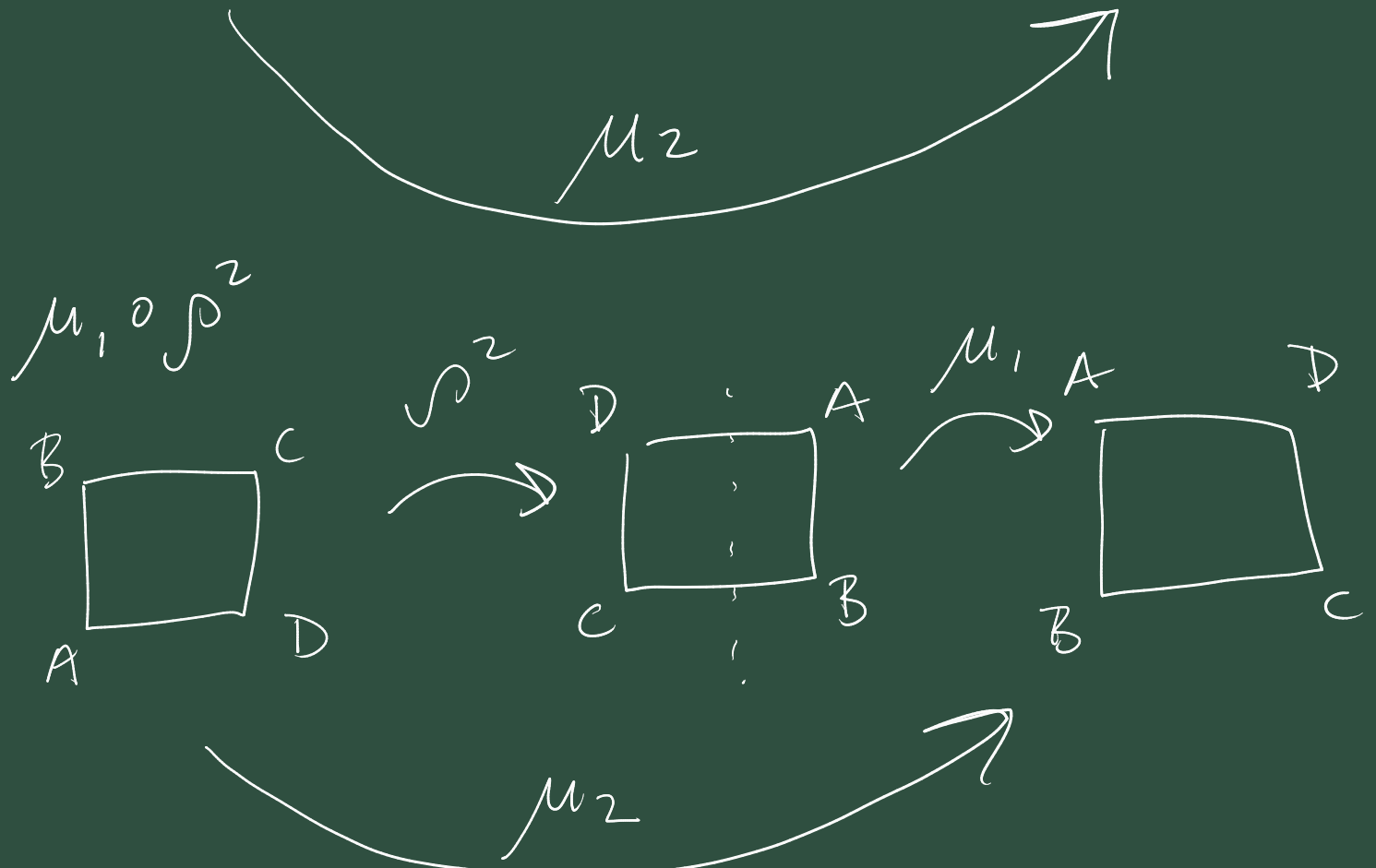
But ρ^2 is the half-turn rotation.

$$\rho^2 \circ \rho = \rho^3 = \rho \circ \rho^2$$

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Check $\rho^2 \circ \mu_1$





So $\sigma^2 \circ \mu_1 = \mu_1 \circ \sigma^2$

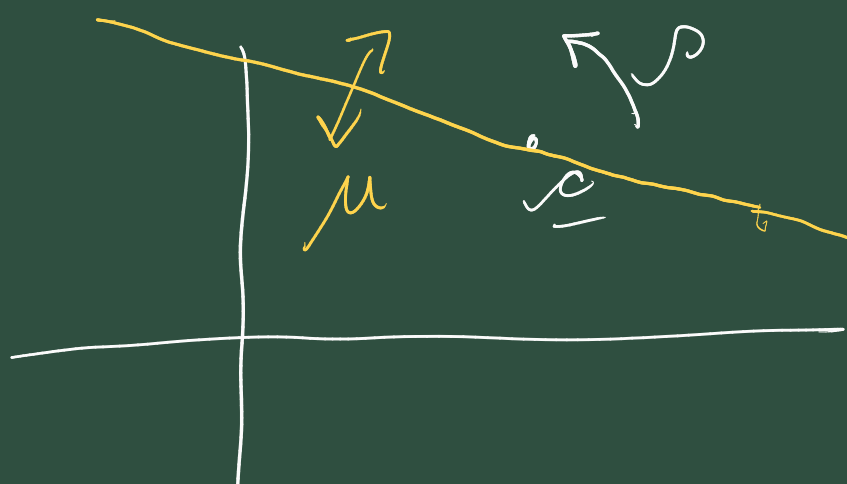
And also $\sigma^2 \circ \mu_3 = \mu_3 \circ \sigma^2$, $\sigma^2 \circ \mu_2 = \mu_2 \circ \sigma^2$

$\sigma^2 \circ \mu_4 = \mu_4 \circ \sigma^2$

Therefore $\sigma^2 \in Z(D_4)$

In general

if ρ is any rotation about
a centre point $\underline{c} \in \mathbb{R}^2$


 and μ is any reflection in an axis through \underline{c} .

$$\rho \circ \mu = \mu \circ \rho^{-1}$$

For $\rho^2 \in D_4$, ρ^2 was the half-turn clockwise

$$(\rho^2)^{-1} = \rho^2.$$