

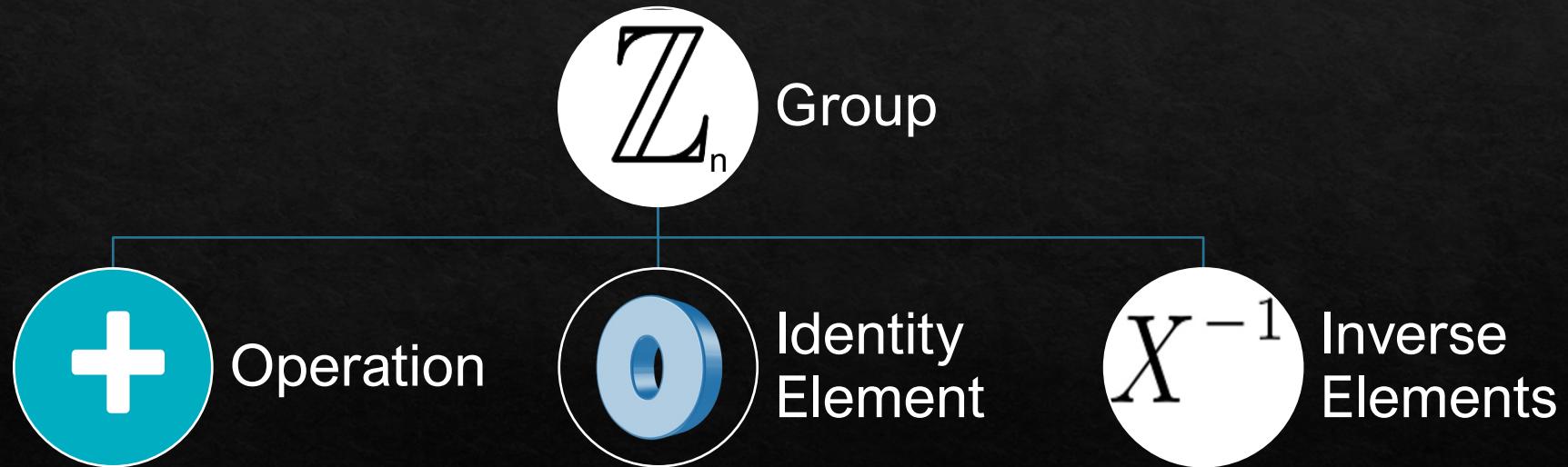
Random Walks on Products of Free Groups

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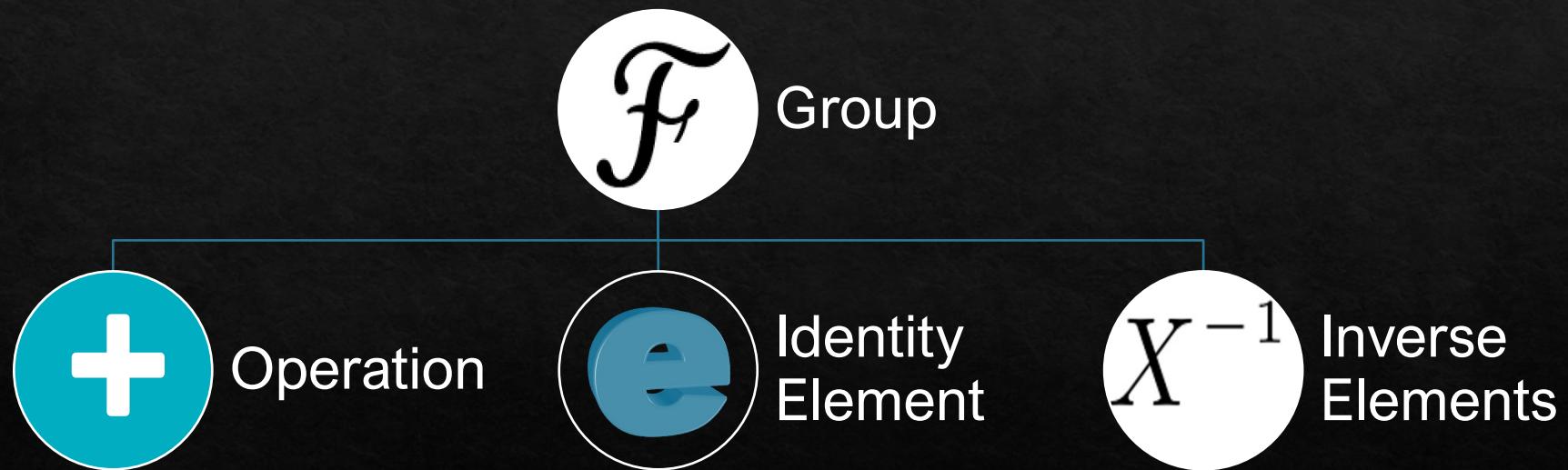
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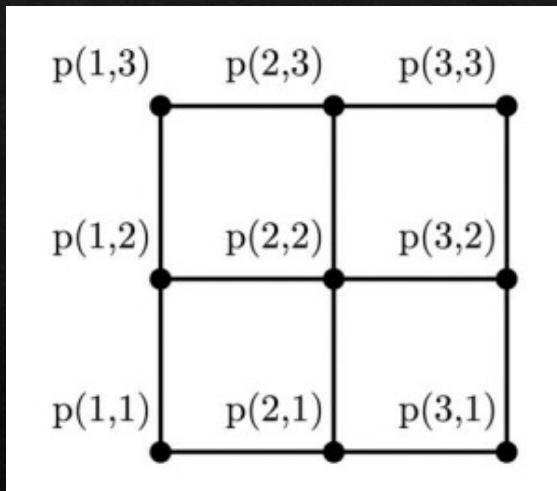
Abelian Group



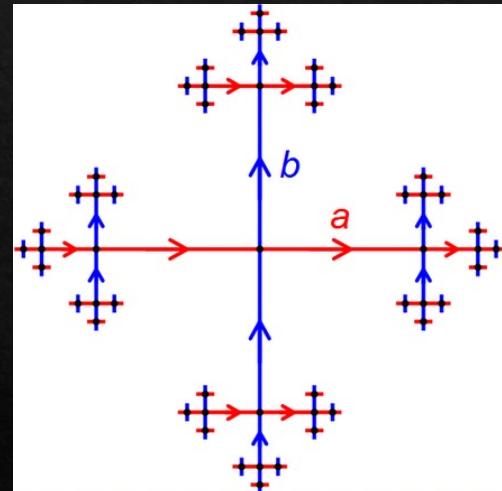
Free Group



Generators



This Figure was taken from Jarutatsanangkoon (2018).



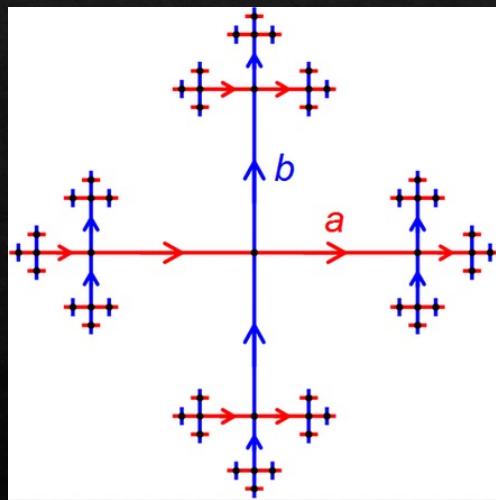
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Notation

- ◊ $\mu(n)$
 - ◊ The probability of moving in the direction n
- ◊ $\check{\mu}(n)$
 - ◊ The probability of moving in direction inverse to n so that $\check{\mu}(n) = \mu(n^{-1})$
- ◊ $\sigma = \mu * \check{\mu}$
 - ◊ σ contains the probability of staying in place
- ◊ The spectral norm (denoted $\|\mu\| = \|\sigma\|^{1/2}$)
 - ◊ The probability of returning to the identity after infinitely many steps
 - ◊ $\|\sigma\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{\sigma^{(n)}(e)}$

Leinert Property

- ❖ The only way to return is through backtracking



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Relax the backtracking behavior

Woess solves for the radius of convergence of $G(z)$ Leinert Property and Recursion

$$G(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu^{(n)}(e) z^{2n}$$

The spectral norm is the inverse of the radius of convergence of $G(z)$

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An instance of this is the product of free groups.



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Random walks can be simulated with
random unitary matrices

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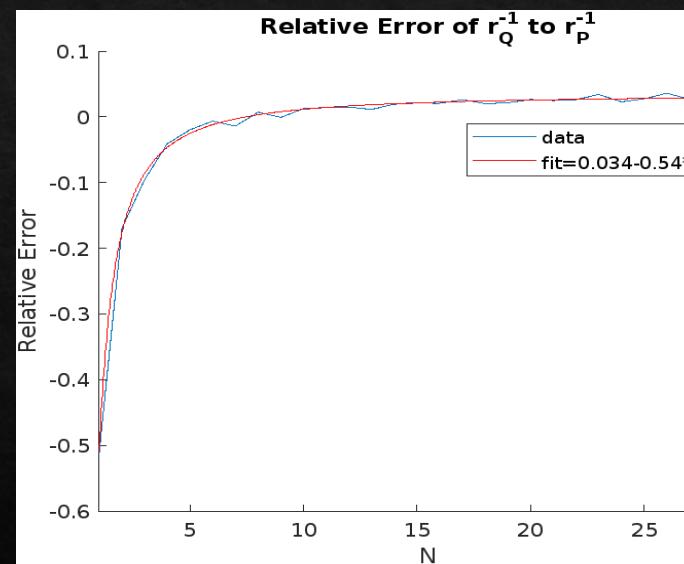
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Upper Bound for bad walks

Found an equation $Q(t,z)$ whose r^1 bounds the spectral norm



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Consider Almost Leinert



Methods

Counting through Random
Unitary Matrices



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~3% of relative error

Results have implications in various fields.

- ❖ The most prominent fields are:
 - ❖ Mathematics
 - ❖ Algebra, Linear Algebra, and Graph Theory
 - ❖ Quantum Mechanics
 - ❖ Electron behavior

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