

LINEAR MODELS

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1. PRELUDE

TODO: Fix notation here...

2. INTRODUCTION

In this course we build up the rudiments of some important notions of algebraic structures. That is, an algebraic structure of an arbitrary set, or carrier set, coupled with various finitary operations defined on it. ..

3. SEMI-GROUPS

Definition 3.1 (binary operation). A **binary operation** on a set \mathcal{G} is a map $\circ : \mathcal{G} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$. **N.B.** that the binary operation is *closed*.

Definition 3.2 (magma). A **magma** is a set \mathcal{M} equipped with a binary operation \circ . We denote the magma as the tuple pair (\mathcal{M}, \circ) .

Definition 3.3 (semi-group). A **semi-group** is a set \mathcal{G} equipped with binary operation that is *associative*. Hence, a semi-group is a magma where the operation is *associative*; That is, given any $x, y, z \in \mathcal{G}$ then $x \circ (y \circ z) = (x \circ y) \circ z \in \mathcal{G}$. We denote the semi-group as the tuple pair (\mathcal{G}, \circ) , not to be confused with a magma from context.

Definition 3.4 (monoid). A **semi-group with identity** or, **monoid** for short, is a semi-group (\mathcal{G}, \circ) with a unique element $e \in \mathcal{G}$ such that $x \circ e = x = e \circ x \forall x \in \mathcal{G}$

Example 3.5. Given $\mathcal{G} = \mathbb{Z}$ with the binary law of composition \circ to be defined as arithmetic addition $+$. Then, $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ forms a semi-group with identity 0. Verify the axioms.