

# Modern Algebra

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# 1 Group Theory

## 1.1 Semi-Group and Group

### 1.1.1 Definition of Group

Suppose  $S \neq \emptyset$ , define an algebraic operation called multiplication, marked as  $\cdot$ , and this operation satisfies closure and associative law, then  $(S, \cdot)$  is a **semi-group**

**Closure:**

$$\forall a, b \in S, a \cdot b \in S$$

**Associative Law:**

$$\forall a, b, c \in S, (a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$$

for a semi-group  $G(S, \cdot)$ , if it satisfies

$$\exists e \in G, \forall a \in G \Rightarrow e \cdot a = a$$

and

$$\forall a \in G, \exists b \in G \Rightarrow b \cdot a = e$$

it is a group, and  $e$  is a left identity element,  $b$  is a left inverse element

Generally if  $G$  is a **group** it will satisfy

- (1)  $G$  satisfies closure
- (2)  $G$  satisfies associative law
- (3) there is a identity element in  $G$
- (4) there is an inverse element for each element in  $G$

If a group  $G$  satisfies law of communication,  $G$  is a **Abelian Group**

**law of communication:**

$$\forall a, b \in S \Rightarrow a \cdot b = b \cdot a$$

### 1.1.2 Property of Group

The number of elements in  $G$  expresses **the order of  $G$** , marked as  $|G|$ , if  $|G| = \infty$ ,  $G$  is a infinite group, if  $|G| < \infty$ ,  $G$  is a finite group

For  $G(\mathbb{S}, \cdot)$ ,  $a \in G$

$$\overbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \cdots \cdot a}^n = a^n$$

For  $G(\mathbb{S}, +)$ ,  $a \in G$

$$\overbrace{a + a + \cdots + a}^n = na$$

$\forall G$ ,  $G$  is a group, then  $G$  satisfies **Cancellation law**

$$ax = ax' \Leftrightarrow x = x'$$

**Note:** if  $G$  is not a Abelian group, left cancellation law is satisfied does not mean right cancellation law is satisfied

If a set  $G \neq \emptyset$  and the operation in  $G$  satisfies closure and associative law, then

*if  $G$  is a group  $\Leftrightarrow \forall a, b \in G$ ,  $ax = b$  and  $ya = b$  have solution*

**Corollary:**

If a set  $G \neq \emptyset$  and the operation in  $G$  satisfies closure and associative law and  $G$  is a group  $\Leftrightarrow G$  satisfies cancellation law

## 1.2 Subgroup

if  $H \subset G$  and  $H$  with the operation in  $G$  is also form a group,  $H$  is a **subgroup** of  $G$

if  $e$  is an identity element in  $G$ , then  $e$  is also an identity element in  $H$

if  $a \in H$ ,  $a^{-1} \in G$  and it is a inverse elenment of  $a$ , then  $a^{-1} \in H$

if  $H \in G$ , and  $H \neq \emptyset$ ,  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow$

$$\forall a, b \in H, ab \in H$$

$$\forall a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$$

**Corollary:**

(1) if  $H \subset G$ , and  $H \neq \emptyset$ ,  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow$

$$\forall a, b \in H, ab^{-1} \in H$$

(2) if  $H \subset G$ ,  $H \neq \emptyset$  and  $|H| < \infty$ ,  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow$

$$\forall a, b \in H, ab \in H$$

### 1.3 Homomorphism and Isomorphism

Suppose  $G(\mathbb{S}, \cdot)$  and  $G'(\mathbb{S}', \odot)$ ,  $\exists f: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}'$ ,  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{S}$ , let

$$f(a \cdot b) = f(a) \odot f(b)$$

then this  $f$  is **homomorphic mapping**,  $G$  and  $G'$  are homomorphic  
if  $f$  is a bijection,  $f$  is also a **isomorphic mapping**,  $G$  and  $G'$  are isomorphic

if  $G = G'$ ,  $f$  is self-homomorphic or self-isomorphic mapping

### 1.4 Cyclic Group

#### 1.4.1 Definition and Property of Cyclic Group

if  $\exists g \in G$  and  $G = \{\dots g^{-1}, g^0, g^1, \dots\}$ ,  $G$  is a **cyclic group**,  $g$  is a **generator** of  $G$

if  $G$  is a cyclic group and  $|G| = n \Rightarrow G = \{g^0, g^1, \dots, g^{n-1}\}$

if  $\exists d > 0$ , let  $g^d = e$ ,  $d_{min}$  is the order of  $g$ , marked as  $|g|$

**Theorem:**

(1) if  $G$  is a cyclic group and  $|G|=n \Rightarrow \forall g \in G, |g|=n$

(2) if  $|g|=n, g^d = e \Rightarrow n \mid d$

- (3) if  $|g|=n \Rightarrow |a^k| = \frac{n}{(n,k)}$   
 (4) if  $|G|=n, \forall H \subset G \Rightarrow |H| \in \mathcal{D}(n)$

**Prove:**

#### 1.4.2 Residue Class Group

$$\mathbb{S} = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \dots, \overline{p-1}\}$$

is a residue system mod  $p$ , if  $p$  is a prime, then  $\mathbb{S}$  and  $\cdot$  or  $+$  form a cyclic group, marked as  $G(\mathbb{S}, \cdot)$  or  $G(\mathbb{S}, +)$ ,  $|G| = p$

Prove:

(1) closure:

$$\because \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{S}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\because \forall a, b \in \mathbb{S}, ab \in \mathbb{S}$$

(2) associative law:

obviously

(3) identity element:

$$e = \bar{1}$$

(4) inverse element:

$$\because \forall a \in \mathbb{S}, (a, p) = 1$$

$$\because \exists u, v \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{let } up + va = 1$$

$$\therefore va \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$