

Isomorphisms

Defn: A hom $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ is an isomorphism iff it is bijective.

↳ We say G is isomorphic to G' ; write $G \cong G'$.

Ex: $\exp: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}_{>0}, \times)$ is an isomorphism.

Lemma: $\varphi: G \rightarrow G' = \text{isom} \Rightarrow \varphi^{-1} = \text{isom}$.

Proof: NTS φ^{-1} is a hom.

Supc $a', b' \in G'$, $\exists! a, b \in G$ st $\varphi(a) = a', \varphi(b) = b'$

$$\varphi^{-1}(a' \cdot b') = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a) \cdot \varphi(b)) = \varphi^{-1}(\varphi(a \cdot b)) = a \cdot b = \varphi^{-1}(a') \cdot \varphi^{-1}(b')$$
 \square

Normal Subgroups and Quotients

Defn: A subgroup $N \subseteq G$ is normal if $\forall n \in N, \forall g \in G, g^{-1} \cdot n \cdot g \in N$.

Ex: $\text{Ker}(\varphi) \subseteq G$ is normal

$$n \in \text{Ker}(\varphi), g \in G \Rightarrow \varphi(g^{-1} \cdot n \cdot g) = \varphi(g)^{-1} \cdot \varphi(n) \cdot \varphi(g) = \varphi(g)^{-1} \cdot \varphi(g) = e'$$

Ex: $\text{SL}_n(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{R})$ is a normal subgroup

Ex: Every subgroup of an abelian group is normal.

Lemma: $H \subseteq G$ determines an equivalence relation by $g \sim h$ iff $g^{-1} \cdot h \in H$

Proof:

$$gg^{-1} = e \in H \Rightarrow g \sim g$$

$$g \sim h \Rightarrow gh^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow hg^{-1} = (gh^{-1})^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow h \sim g$$

$$gh^{-1}, hk^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow ghk^{-1} = gh^{-1}h^{-1}k^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow (g \sim h, h \sim k \Rightarrow g \sim k)$$
□

Lemma: $N \subseteq G$ normal, G/N = equivalence classes is a group w/
 $[g] \cdot [h] = [g \cdot h]$

Proof: NTS • is well-defined: $g \sim g'$, $h \sim h' \Rightarrow [g \cdot h] = [g' \cdot h']$.

 $h \sim h' \Rightarrow hh'^{-1} \in N \Rightarrow hh'^{-1} = n \in N$
 $gh \cdot (g' \cdot h')^{-1} = gh \cdot h'^{-1} \cdot g'^{-1} = g \cdot n \cdot g'^{-1} \in N$ by normal!
 $\Rightarrow gh \sim g'h' \Rightarrow [g \cdot h] = [g' \cdot h']$.
 $\textcircled{1} [e] = \text{unit: } [e] \cdot [g] = [e \cdot g] = [g] = [g \cdot e] = [g] \cdot [e]$.
 $\textcircled{2} ([g] \cdot [h]) \cdot [k] = [g \cdot h] \cdot [k] = [g \cdot h \cdot k] = [g] \cdot [h \cdot k] = [g] \cdot ([h] \cdot [k])$
 $\textcircled{3} [g^{-1}] \cdot [g] = [g^{-1} \cdot g] = [e]$
□

Defn: $N \subseteq G$ normal, G/N = quotient of G by N .

Lemma: $q: G \rightarrow G/N$, $g \mapsto [g]$ is a surj. hom w/ $\text{Ker}(q) = N$.

Proof: By defn, q is surjective.

$$g \in N \Leftrightarrow g \sim e \Leftrightarrow [g] = [e] \Leftrightarrow g \in \text{Ker}(q)$$
□

Thm: Let $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ be a surjective group hom. $H \cong G/\text{Ker}(\varphi)$.

Proof: Define $\Xi: G/\text{Ker}(\varphi) \rightarrow H$ by $\Xi([g]) = \varphi(g)$.

If $g \sim h \Rightarrow gh^{-1} \in \text{Ker}(\varphi) \Rightarrow \Xi([g]) = \varphi(g) = \varphi(h) = \Xi([h])$.

$\Rightarrow \Xi$ is well-defined.

$$\underline{\varphi}([g] \cdot [h]) = \underline{\varphi}([g \cdot h]) = \varphi(g \cdot h) = \varphi(g) \cdot \varphi(h) = \underline{\varphi}([g]) \cdot \underline{\varphi}([h])$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\varphi} = \text{hom}$$

By construction, $\underline{\varphi}$ is surjective.

$$\text{Suppose } \underline{\varphi}([g]) = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi(g) = 0 \Rightarrow g \in \text{Ker}(\varphi) \Rightarrow g \sim e \Rightarrow [g] = [e].$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{\varphi}$ is injective. \square

Ex: $GL_n(\mathbb{R}) / SL_n(\mathbb{R}) \cong (\mathbb{R} \setminus 0, \times)$

$\det : GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \setminus 0$ is surjective.

$$\text{Ker}(\det) = SL_n(\mathbb{R}).$$

Defn: The order of a group G is $|G|$.

Order of an element $g \in G$ is the minimal # n st $g^n = e$.

Lemma: If order of $g \in G$ is n , then $\langle g \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}/n$

Proof: Defn $\varphi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \langle g \rangle \subseteq G$ by $\varphi(k) = g^k$.

φ is surjective.

$$\varphi(k) = e \Rightarrow g^k = e \Rightarrow k = l \cdot n \Rightarrow k \in n \cdot \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle g \rangle = \mathbb{Z}/n \cdot \mathbb{Z} \quad \square$$

Fundamental Groups

Rem: A cts map $\alpha: I \rightarrow X$ st $\alpha(0) = \alpha(1)$ is equiv. to a map $\bar{\alpha}: S^1 \rightarrow X$ st

$$\begin{array}{ccc} I & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & X \\ q \downarrow & \bar{\alpha} & \\ S^1 & \nearrow & \end{array}$$

w/ $\bar{\alpha}([x]) = \alpha(x)$. $\bar{\alpha}$ = cts since $\bar{\alpha} \circ q = \alpha$ is cts.

Sim. $\alpha \simeq \beta$ rel $\{0,1\}$ iff $\bar{\alpha} \simeq \bar{\beta}$ rel $\{[0]\}$.

↪ We will not distinguish the difference between α and $\bar{\alpha}$.

Notn: $\Omega_{x_0} X = \left\{ \alpha: I \rightarrow X \mid \alpha(0) = x_0 = \alpha(1) \right\}$ for $x_0 \in X$.

Define an equiv. rel. on $\Omega_{x_0} X$ by $\alpha \sim \beta$ iff $\alpha \simeq \beta$ rel $\{0,1\}$.

Proof: $(\alpha \sim \alpha): H_t: I \rightarrow X$ by $H_t(s) = \alpha(s)$.

$(\alpha \sim \beta \Rightarrow \beta \sim \alpha):$ Spse $H_t: I \rightarrow X$ st $H_0(s) = \alpha(s)$, $H_1(s) = \beta(s)$

Defn $G_t: I \rightarrow X$ by $G_t(s) = H_{1-t}(s)$.

$\Rightarrow G_0(s) = H_1(s) = \beta(s)$, $G_1(s) = H_0(s) = \alpha(s)$

$G_t(0) = H_{1-t}(0) = x_0 = H_{1-t}(1) = G_t(1)$

$\Rightarrow \beta \simeq \alpha$ rel $\{0,1\} \Rightarrow \beta \sim \alpha$

$(\alpha \sim \beta, \beta \sim \gamma \Rightarrow \alpha \sim \gamma):$ Spse $H_t: I \rightarrow X$ st $H_0(s) = \alpha(s)$, $H_1(s) = \beta(s)$
 " $G_t: I \rightarrow X$ st $G_0(s) = \beta(s)$, $G_1(s) = \gamma(s)$

$$F_t(s) = \begin{cases} H_{2t}(s), & 0 \leq t \leq 1/2 \\ G_{2t-1}(s), & 1/2 \leq t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

By Pasting Lemma, F is cts

Note, $F_0(s) = H_0(s) = \alpha(s)$, $F_1(s) = G_1(s) = \gamma(s)$

$$F_t(0) = \begin{cases} H_{2t}(0) & = x_0 \\ G_{2t-1}(0) & \end{cases} = \begin{cases} H_{2t}(1) & = F_t(1) \\ G_{2t-1}(1) & \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \simeq \gamma \text{ rel } \{\alpha, \beta\} \Rightarrow \alpha \sim \gamma$$

□

Defn: Given $\alpha, \beta \in \Omega_{x_0} X$, define $\alpha \cdot \beta \in \Omega_{x_0} X$ by

$$\alpha \cdot \beta(s) = \begin{cases} \alpha(2s), & 0 \leq s \leq 1/2 \\ \beta(2s-1), & 1/2 \leq s \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \alpha \cdot \beta(0) = \alpha(0) = x_0 = \beta(1) = \alpha \cdot \beta(1)$$

Defn: The fundamental group of X based at x_0 is the set
 $\pi_1(X, x_0) = \Omega_{x_0} X / \sim$
w/ group law $[\alpha] \cdot [\beta] = [\alpha \cdot \beta]$

Lemma: $\pi_1(\mathbb{R}^n, 0) = \{0\}$ = trivial group w/ 1 element.

Proof: STS $\forall \alpha \in \Omega_0 \mathbb{R}^n$, $\alpha \sim e$.

$$H_t(s) = t \cdot \alpha(s).$$

$$H_0(s) = 0 = e(s), H_1(s) = \alpha(s)$$

$$H_t(0) = t \cdot \alpha(0) = 0 = t \cdot \alpha(1) = H_t(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha \sim e$$

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