

## 1. Subgroups.

If  $G$  is a group, a subset  $H \subseteq G$  is a subgroup if

$$\begin{aligned}\{e\} &\in H \\ x \in H &\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in H \\ xy \in H &\Rightarrow x y \in H.\end{aligned}$$

Examples:  $2\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\rightsquigarrow$  If  $R$  is a ring,  $I \subseteq R$  an ideal then  $I$  is a subgroup.

$\{e\} \subseteq G$  always a subgroup (trivial).

$G \subseteq G$  always a subgroup.

$O(2) \subseteq GL_2(\mathbb{R})$

Any matrix group  $\subseteq GL_n(K)$ .

$SL_n(K) \subseteq GL_n(K)$

$\det = 1$  matrices

or stabiliser of  $e, e_1 \dots e_n$ .

$R_{>0} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^X$

$D_{2n} \subseteq O(2) \subseteq GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

$\mathbb{E}$  linear transformations that preserve distance.

## Example/Def'n:

If  $G$  is a group &  $S \subseteq G$  is a subset, can consider

$\langle S \rangle$  the subgroup generated by  $S$ .

= the smallest subgroup of  $G$  containing  $S$ .

$$\langle S \rangle = \bigcap_{S \subseteq H \subseteq G} H$$

$\neq$  Non-empty because  
 $S \subseteq G$ .

Intersection of subgroups is a  
subgroup.

Example IF  $G$  is a group

$$g \in G \quad \langle g \rangle = \langle \{g\} \rangle.$$

$$= \{g^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

$\mathbb{Z}$  if  $g^n \neq e$  for any  $n$ .

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  for  $n$  the smallest pos integer s.t.  
 $g^n = \{e\}$

Definition  $G$  is generated by  $S \subseteq G$   
if  $\langle S \rangle = G$ .

Example:  $\langle G \rangle = G$ .  $n\mathbb{Z} = \langle n \rangle$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle$$

$$\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z}) = \frac{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})}{\pm I} = \left\langle \text{elt of } \frac{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})}{\pm I}, \text{elt of } \frac{\mathrm{SL}_2(\mathbb{Z})}{\pm I} \right\rangle$$

A group is cyclic if it is generated by a single element, in which case

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z} \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}.$$

A group is finitely generated if it is generated by a finite subset.

Example: A discrete finite group (e.g.  $S_n$ ).

Example of a group that is not finitely generated:

$$\cdot (\mathbb{Q}, +)$$

$$\text{If } S = \left\{ \frac{a_1}{b_1}, \dots, \frac{a_n}{b_n} \right\}.$$

$$d = b_1 \cdots b_n.$$

$$\langle S \rangle \subseteq \left\langle \frac{1}{d} \right\rangle \neq \mathbb{Q}$$

because  $\frac{d+1}{d}$   
is not in  $\frac{1}{d}$ .

Abelian groups.

Defn: A group is abelian  $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in G$ .

$\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

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finitely generated as  
a group for an abelian  
group = fin. gen.  
as a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module.

Classification: Any fin. generate abelian group

$G$  is isomorphic to

$$\mathbb{Z}^n \oplus \mathbb{Z}/m_1\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}/m_2\mathbb{Z} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbb{Z}/m_k\mathbb{Z}$$

for  $m_1 | m_2 | \dots | m_k$ .

(for a unique choice of  $\lambda, m_1, \dots, m_k$ )

Direct sums (coproduct) vs. products.

If  $G_i$  are abelian groups for  $i \in I$ .

$$\bigoplus_{i \in I} G_i \quad \prod_{i \in I} G_i$$

$\Downarrow$        $\Downarrow$

$$(g_i)_{i \in I} \subseteq (g_i)_{i \in I}$$

s.t.  $\exists e$   
for all but  
finitely many  $i$

Has a map

$$G_i \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} G_i \quad \prod_{i \in I} G_i \rightarrow G_i$$

for each  $i$ .

$$\text{Hom}\left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} G_i, H\right) \quad \text{Hom}\left(H, \prod_{i \in I} G_i\right)$$
$$\prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}(G_i, H). \quad \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}(H, G_i)$$

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$H$  another abelian group

$\text{Hom} = \prod_{i \in I} \text{Hom}$  of abelian group

If  $G$  is an abelian group and  $S \subseteq G$

for each  $s$  get a map  $f_s: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G$   
 $t \mapsto s$ .

together define a homomorphism

$$\bigoplus_{s \in S} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G.$$

Image ( $f$ ) =  $\langle S \rangle$ .

Product of abelian groups = Product of groups.  
(= product of sets  
+ extra structure).

Not true for direct sum.

In sets: disjoint union  $\bigsqcup_{i \in I} X_i$ ;

in abelian groups: direct sum  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} A_i$

in groups: free product  $\ast_{i \in I} G_i$ .

one construction via "all possible words"

another via algebraic topology.

(Van Kampen theorem)

If  $I$  is a set then  $F(I) = \ast_{i \in I} \mathbb{Z}$ .

$\text{Hom}_{\text{group}}(F(I), G) \cong \text{Hom}_{\text{sets}}(I, \text{Hom}_{\text{group}}(G, \mathbb{Z}))$

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If  $G$  is a group.  $S \subseteq G$  a set.

$F(S) \rightarrow G$ .

Image =  $\langle S \rangle$ .

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If  $G$  is a group and  $S \subseteq G$   
s.t.  $\langle S \rangle = G$ .

$\text{Ker } \pi \hookrightarrow F(S) \xrightarrow{\pi} G$ .

$$G \cong F(S)/\text{Ker } \pi$$

$\text{Ker } \pi$  is a group.

if  $P$  generates  $F$

$$F(P) \xrightarrow{\text{then}} \text{Ker } \pi$$

$$G = F(S) / \text{In } F(P).$$

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presenting a group.

$$D_8 = \langle r, s \mid r^4 = 1 \quad s^2 = 1 \quad rsrs = 1 \rangle.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} r & \xrightarrow{\text{Ker } \pi \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}} & D_8 \\ \downarrow & \text{rsrs} & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} & & \end{array}$$