

Ex) $(\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is a group.

① The identity element is $[0]_{\mathbb{Z}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{since } [0]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} &= [x+0]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} \end{aligned}$$

② Associativity

$$\begin{aligned} &([x]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [y]_{\mathbb{Z}}) + [z]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [x+y]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [z]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [(x+y)+z]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x+(y+z)]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [y+z]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} + ([y]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [z]_{\mathbb{Z}}) \end{aligned} \quad \ddots$$

exercise:

show that

$$[x]_{\mathbb{Z}} \oplus [y]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x+y]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

← this plus is different than this plus sign

is well defined.

choose

$$[v]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}, [w]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [y]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

show that

$$[v+w]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x+y]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

③ Inverses:

$$-[x]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [-x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -[x]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} &= [-x]_{\mathbb{Z}} + [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} \\ &= [-x+x]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [0]_{\mathbb{Z}} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Things that \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} doesn't have:

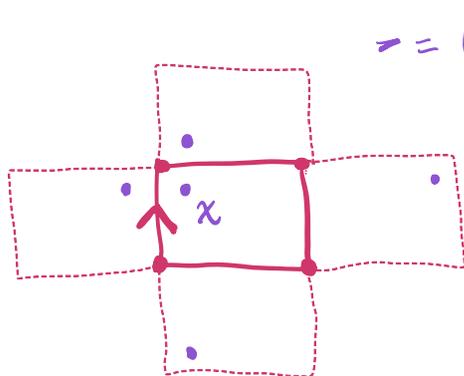
- Notation of \leq or \geq
- positive/negative
- multiplication (not an equivalence class)
- division
- powers/exponents
- square roots

Recall: $p: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$

$$p(x) = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

Recall fundamental domain

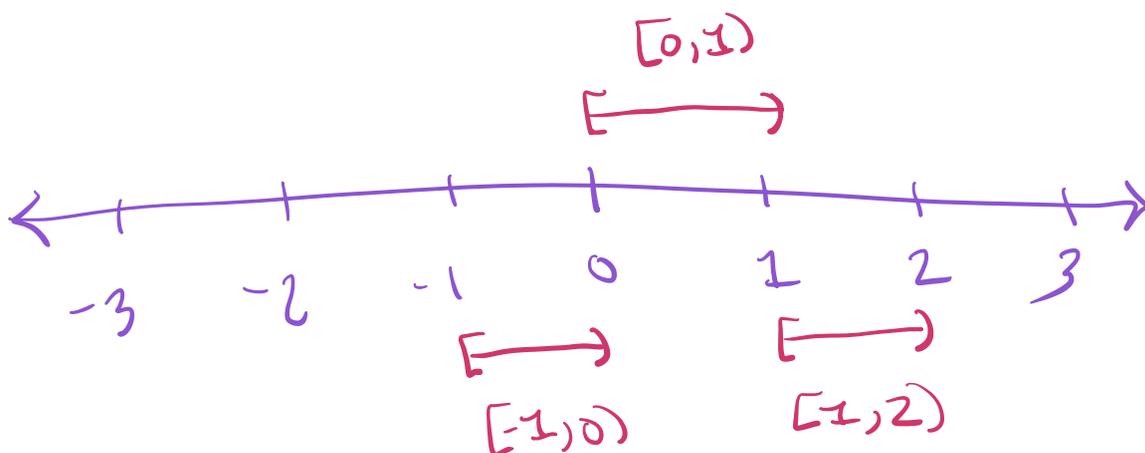
A fundamental domain of \mathbb{R} is
not unique
"a smallest set containing exactly one
element of every equivalence class"



$$= \theta_{\pm}(x)$$

"group action" is reflections across lines/borders of fundamental domain"

different fundamental domains



$[0, 1)$ is a fundamental domain of \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}

since $x - \lfloor x \rfloor \in [0, 1)$ and

$$[x - \lfloor x \rfloor]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$$

Exercise) Show that $\forall x, [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$
intersects $[0,1)$ in at most one point.

(Hint: show that if $y \in [0,1)$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}$
then either $y+n \geq 1$ or $y+n < 0$)

Recall

$[x] :=$ the largest integer $\leq x$

eg $[5.3] = 5$.

Notice any half open interval of
length 1 is an equivalence class

Exercise) Show that any half open interval
of length 1 is a fundamental domain.

Theorem if $F \subset \mathbb{R}$ is a fundamental domain, then

$$p|_F : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$$

↑

" p restricted to F "

(only allows inputs from F)

this function is 1-1 and onto!



(ie it is invertible!)

Note the theorem is a technical way of establishing "dictionaries" between fundamental domains and \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} ie each fundamental domain wraps around the circle exactly once.

pf of thm

onto: We need to show that for any $[x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$ there exist $y \in F$ s.t. $p(y) = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$

(follows from definition)

since for any equivalence class,

$p^{-1}([x]_{\mathbb{Z}}) \cap F$ is one point, take y to be that point. Then $p(y) = [y]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}}$

1-1 We need to show that if $p_F(x) = p_F(y)$ then $x = y$. (ie $x, y \in F$)

Since $p(x) = p(y) = [x]_{\mathbb{Z}} = [y]_{\mathbb{Z}}$

Since F intersects each equivalence class exactly once, we have that $x = y$
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