

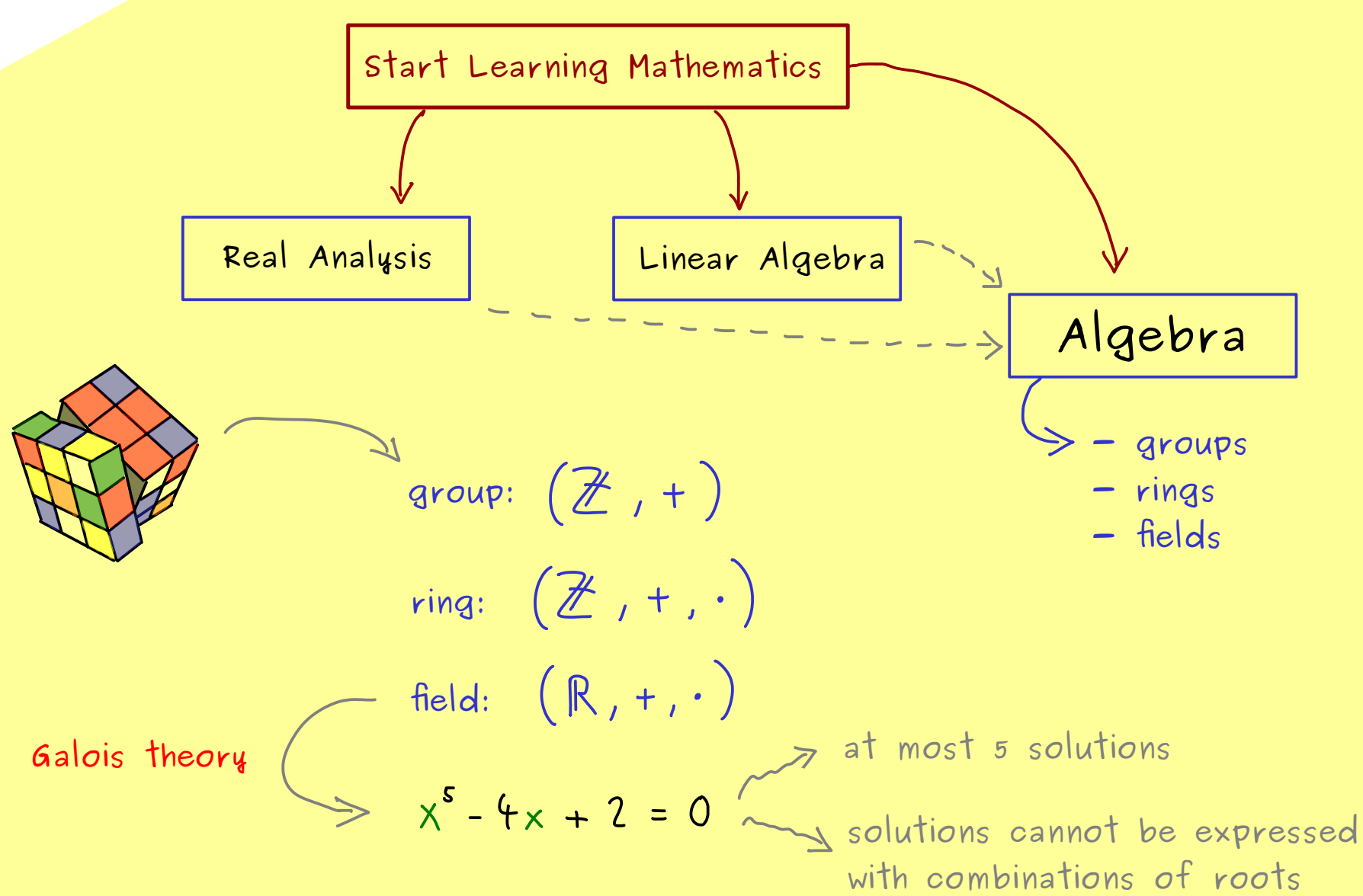
The Bright Side of Mathematics

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Algebra - Part 1





Algebra - Part 2

Definition: Let A be a set.

A map $F: A \times A \longrightarrow A$ is called a binary operation on A .

Instead of $F(a, b)$, we write $a \circ b$ or $a * b$ or $a F b$

or $a \cdot b$ or ab or $a + b \dots$

↑
juxtaposition

Closure Law: $a \circ b \in A$ for all $a, b \in A$

Example: $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $\circ: A \times A \longrightarrow A$ binary operation defined by:

operation table:

\circ	1	2	3
1	3	1	2
2	3	3	1
3	2	2	2

$$1 \circ 2 = 1 \quad \text{not equal!}$$

$$2 \circ 1 = 3$$

$$(1 \circ 2) \circ 3 = 1 \circ 3 = 2 \quad \text{not equal!}$$

$$1 \circ (2 \circ 3) = 1 \circ 1 = 3$$

Definition: A pair (S, \circ) where S is a set and \circ is a binary operation on S is called a semigroup if

$$a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c \quad \text{for all } a, b, c \in S \quad (\text{associative})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a \circ b \circ c$$

Example: set of functions $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) = \{f \mid f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ function}\}$

together with composition $\circ: \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$:

Take $f_1, f_2, f_3 \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ and define $g = f_1 \circ (f_2 \circ f_3): \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$h = (f_1 \circ f_2) \circ f_3: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$g(x) = f_1 \circ (f_2 \circ f_3)(x) = f_1((f_2 \circ f_3)(x)) = f_1(f_2(f_3(x)))$$

$$h(x) = ((f_1 \circ f_2) \circ f_3)(x) = (f_1 \circ f_2)(f_3(x)) = f_1(f_2(f_3(x)))$$

$\Rightarrow (\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}), \circ)$ semigroup



Algebra - Part 3

(S, \circ) semigroup $\rightsquigarrow e \in S$ with $e \circ a = a = a \circ e$

Definition: An element $e \in S$ is called

- left neutral (=a left identity) $e \circ a = a$ for all $a \in S$
- right neutral (=a right identity) $a \circ e = a$ for all $a \in S$
- neutral (=an identity) $e \circ a = a = a \circ e$ for all $a \in S$

Example: $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ with \circ given by the matrix multiplication

$\hookrightarrow (S, \circ)$ semigroup

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ left neutral}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ not right neutral}$$

Fact: Let $e \in S$ be left neutral and $\tilde{e} \in S$ be right neutral.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} e \circ a = a \xrightarrow{\text{for } a=\tilde{e}} e \circ \tilde{e} = \tilde{e} \\ b \circ \tilde{e} = b \xrightarrow{\text{for } b=e} e \circ \tilde{e} = e \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow e = \tilde{e}$$

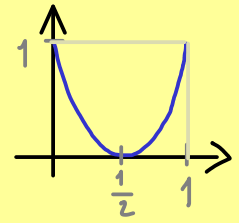
Definition: (S, \circ) semigroup with identity e (the neutral element), $a, b, c \in S$.

- $x \in S$ is called a left inverse of a if $x \circ a = e$ left invertible
- $y \in S$ is called a right inverse of b if $b \circ y = e$ right invertible
- $z \in S$ is called an inverse of c $z \circ c = e = c \circ z$ invertible

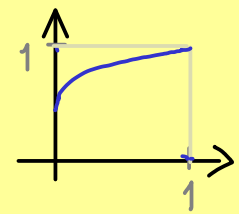
Example: Functions $f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$, $(\mathcal{F}([0,1]), \circ)$ semigroup

Neutral element: $\text{id}: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$, $x \mapsto x$

Right invertible: $\tilde{f}: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$, $x \mapsto 4(x - \frac{1}{2})^2$



Right inverse of \tilde{f} : $g: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$, $x \mapsto \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x} + \frac{1}{2}$



$$\hookrightarrow \tilde{f} \circ g = \text{id}$$

$$g \circ \tilde{f} \neq \text{id}$$

Remember:

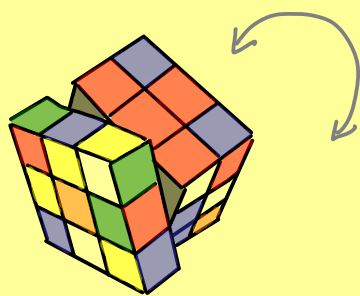
surjective \Leftrightarrow right invertible

injective \Leftrightarrow left invertible



Algebra - Part 4

(S, \circ) semigroup \rightsquigarrow $\begin{matrix} + \\ \text{neutral element} \\ \text{inverses} \end{matrix}$ \rightsquigarrow group



Definition: A pair (G, \circ) is called a group if:

- (a) (G, \circ) semigroup.
- (b) There is a left identity $e \in G$.
- (c) Each $a \in G$ is left invertible, i.e. there exists $b \in G$ with $b \circ a = e$.

This implies: A set G together with a binary operation \circ is a group if:

$$(G1) \quad a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c \quad \text{for all } a, b, c \in G \quad (\text{associative})$$

$$(G2) \quad \text{There is a unique identity } e \in G: \quad e \circ a = a = a \circ e \\ \text{for all } a \in G$$

$$(G3) \quad \text{Each } a \in G \text{ is invertible: } \exists b \in G: \quad b \circ a = e = a \circ b$$

\swarrow $a^{-1} := b$ \nearrow (common notation)

Proof: (a) \Rightarrow (G1) \checkmark

Let $a \in G$.

(b) There is a left identity $e \in G$.

(c) Each $a \in G$ is left invertible, i.e. there exists $b \in G$ with $b \circ a = e$.
(*)

Choose $b \in G$

with $ba = e$. Then $ab \stackrel{(b)}{=} a(eb) \stackrel{(*)}{=} a(ba)b = (ab)(ab)$. (**)

Choose $c \in G$ with $c(ab) = e$ (by (c))

$$\Rightarrow ab \stackrel{(b)}{=} e(ab) = c(ab)(ab) \stackrel{(**)}{=} c(ab) = e \Rightarrow (G3) \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow ae \stackrel{(*)}{=} a(ba) = (ab)a = ea = a \Rightarrow (G2) \checkmark$$



Algebra - Part 5

Group: G together with binary operation \circ and:

(G1) associativity $a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c$ for all $a, b, c \in G$

(G2) unique identity $e \in G$: $e \circ a = a = a \circ e$ for all $a \in G$

(G3) all inverses exist: $\forall a \in G \exists b \in G$: $b \circ a = e = a \circ b$

$\bar{a}^{-1} := b$ (common notation)

Uniqueness of inverses:

(S, \circ) semigroup with identity $e \in S$.

$(a \circ y = e)$

If $a \in S$ is a left invertible with x ($x \circ a = e$) and right invertible with y ,

then $x = y$.

Proof: $x = x \circ e = x \circ (a \circ y) = (x \circ a) \circ y = e \circ y = y$ \square

Examples: (a) $G = \{e\}$ with $e \circ e = e$, $e^{-1} = e$

(b) $G = \{e, a\}$ $\begin{array}{c|cc} \circ & e & a \\ \hline e & e & a \\ a & a & e \end{array}$ $\bar{a}^{-1} = a$

(c) $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ with identity 0 and inverses $3 + (-3) = 0$

$(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ with identity 1 and inverses $\frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} = 1$

$(\mathbb{C}^{n \times n}, +)$ with identity $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$(\{A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n} \mid \det(A) \neq 0\}, \cdot)$ with identity $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

General example: Let (S, \circ) be a semigroup with identity $e \in S$.

$S^* := \{a \in S \mid a \text{ is invertible}\}$
 \downarrow
 \bar{a}^{-1} exists

Then (S^*, \circ) is a group.

Proof: (1) $e \circ e = e \Rightarrow e \in S^*$ with $e^{-1} = e \Rightarrow$ (G2) \checkmark

(2) $a \in S^* \Rightarrow \bar{a}^{-1} \circ a = e \Rightarrow \bar{a}^{-1} \in S^* \Rightarrow$ (G3) \checkmark

(3) $a, b \in S^* \Rightarrow (\bar{b}^{-1} \circ \bar{a}^{-1}) \circ (a \circ b) \stackrel{\text{associativity in } S}{=} \bar{b}^{-1} \circ (\underbrace{\bar{a}^{-1} \circ a}_e) \circ b = e$
 $(a \circ b) \circ (\bar{b}^{-1} \circ \bar{a}^{-1}) \stackrel{\text{associativity in } S}{=} a \circ (\underbrace{b \circ \bar{b}^{-1}}_e) \circ \bar{a}^{-1} = e$

$\Rightarrow (S^*, \circ)$ is a well-defined semigroup \square



Algebra - Part 6

(S, \circ) semigroup. Let's write: $ab := a \circ b$

neutral element + all inverses
group

Fact: Let (G, \circ) be a group and $a, b, x, y \in G$. Then:

$$ax = ay \implies x = y \quad (\text{left cancellation property})$$

$$xb = yb \implies x = y \quad (\text{right cancellation property})$$

Proof: $x = x \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{neutral element}}}{e} = x(b^{-1}) = (xb)b^{-1} = (yb)b^{-1} = y(b b^{-1}) = y$

Definition: (S, \circ) semigroup (or group).

The order of S is the number of elements in S :

$$\text{ord}(S) := \begin{cases} |S| = \#S & \text{if } S \text{ is finite} \\ \infty & \text{if } S \text{ is not finite} \end{cases}$$

Lemma: Let (S, \circ) be a semigroup. Then:

$$(S, \circ) \text{ is group} \iff \forall a, b \in S \exists x, y \in S : ax = b, ya = b$$

Proof: (\implies) Assume (S, \circ) is a group. For given $a, b \in S$, set:

$$x = a^{-1}b, \quad y = ba^{-1}$$

(\impliedby) For given $a \in S$, there are $x, y \in S$ with $ax = a, ya = a$.

Let's call $e := y : ea = a$

Let's take $b \in S$. Then there is $\tilde{x} \in S$ with $a\tilde{x} = b$.

We get: $eb = e(a\tilde{x}) = (ea)\tilde{x} = a\tilde{x} = b \implies e \text{ left neutral}$

For given $b \in S$ there is $\tilde{y} \in S$ such that: $\tilde{y}b = e \implies b \text{ left invertible}$

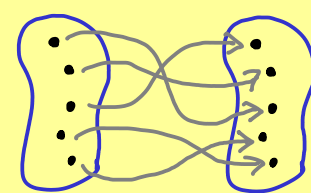
^{part 4}
 $\implies (S, \circ) \text{ is a group} \quad \square$

Proposition: Let (S, \circ) be a semigroup with $\text{ord}(S) < \infty$. Then:

$$(S, \circ) \text{ is group} \iff \begin{matrix} \text{both cancellation properties hold} \\ \left(\begin{matrix} ax = ay \implies x = y \\ xb = yb \implies x = y \end{matrix} \right) \end{matrix}$$

Proof: For any map $f: S \rightarrow S$:

$$f \text{ is injective} \iff f \text{ is surjective}$$



For given $a \in S$, define $f_a: S \rightarrow S$ and $g_a: S \rightarrow S$ by

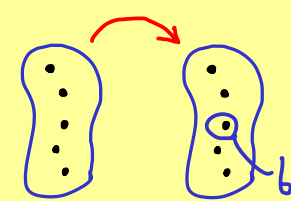
$$f_a(x) = ax, \quad g_a(x) = xa.$$

Then we have: both cancellation properties hold

$$\iff \forall a \in S : \begin{matrix} f_a(x) = f_a(y) \implies x = y \\ g_a(x) = g_a(y) \implies x = y \end{matrix}$$

$$\iff \forall a \in S : f_a \text{ and } g_a \text{ are injective}$$

$$\iff \forall a \in S : f_a \text{ and } g_a \text{ are surjective}$$



$$\iff \forall a \in S : \text{for every } b \in S \text{ there are}$$

$$x, y \in S : \begin{matrix} f_a(x) = b & \text{and} & g_a(y) = b \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ ax & & ya \end{matrix}$$

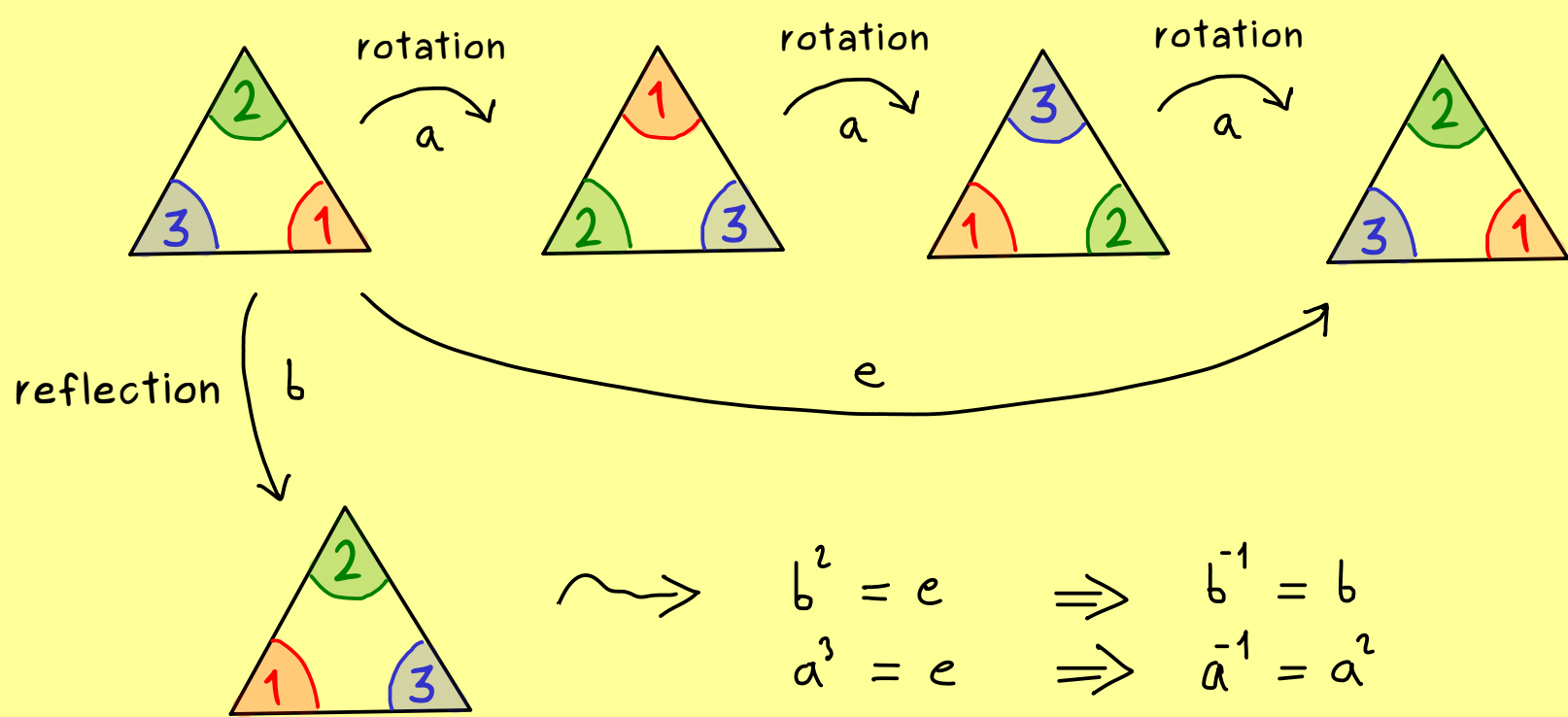
Lemma

$$\iff (S, \circ) \text{ is group} \quad \square$$



Algebra - Part 7

Group:



$$\begin{aligned}
 b^2 &= e & \Rightarrow & \quad b^{-1} = b \\
 a^3 &= e & \Rightarrow & \quad a^{-1} = a^2 \\
 ab &\stackrel{?}{=} ba
 \end{aligned}$$

symmetry operations \leftrightarrow permutations of $\{1, 2, 3\} =: X$



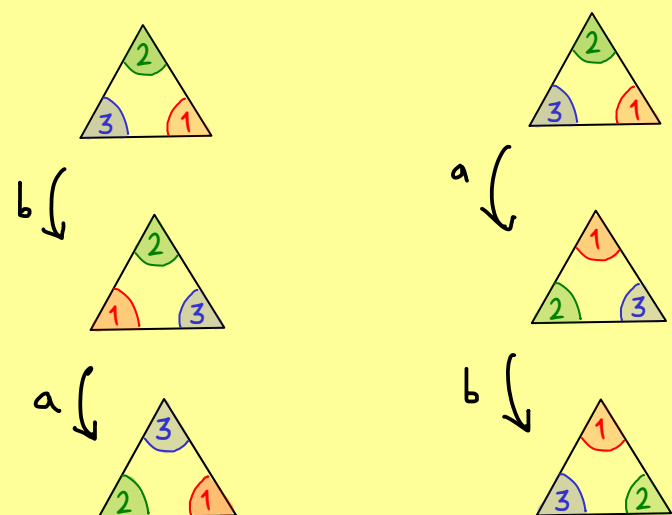
$$S_3 := \{f: X \rightarrow X \mid f \text{ bijective}\}$$

\hookrightarrow symmetric group

Example:

$f_b(1) = 3$	$f_a(1) = 2$
$f_b(2) = 2$	$f_a(2) = 3$
$f_b(3) = 1$	$f_a(3) = 1$

$\Rightarrow (S_3, \circ)$ composition of maps



We get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (f_a \circ f_b)(1) &= 1 & , & \quad (f_b \circ f_a)(1) = 2 \\
 (f_a \circ f_b)(2) &= 3 & , & \quad (f_b \circ f_a)(2) = 1 \\
 (f_a \circ f_b)(3) &= 2 & , & \quad (f_b \circ f_a)(3) = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow not commutative!

Definition: A group (G, \circ) (or semigroup) is called abelian or commutative if $a \circ b = b \circ a$ for all $a, b \in G$.

Examples: $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$, $(\mathbb{R}, +)$, $(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ are abelian.

General example: $G = \{a, b, e\}$

group with three elements

\circ	a	b	e
a	a^2	\square	a
b	\square	b^2	b
e	a	b	e

1st case: $a^{-1} = b$, $b^{-1} = a \Rightarrow a \circ b = e$, $b \circ a = e \rightsquigarrow$ abelian group

2nd case: $a^{-1} = a$, $b^{-1} = b \Rightarrow (b \circ a) \circ (a \circ b) = b \circ \underbrace{a^2}_{=e} \circ b = e$
 $\Rightarrow \underbrace{(a \circ b)^{-1}}_{a \circ b} = (b \circ a) \rightsquigarrow$ abelian group

Non-abelian group: Symmetric group S_3 : $|S_3| = 3! = 6$ } order 6
 Dihedral group D_3 }



Algebra - Part 8

modulus calculation:

$$13 - 12 = 1$$

$$24 - 2 \cdot 12 = 0$$

modulus \equiv_m

$$X \sim_m Y \Leftrightarrow \text{There is } q \in \mathbb{Z} \\ X - Y = q \cdot m$$

$$X \equiv Y \pmod{m}$$

Integers modulo m: \mathbb{Z}_m , $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$, \mathbb{Z}/m , \mathbb{Z}/\sim_m

$$\mathbb{Z}_m := \{ [0], [1], \dots, [m-1] \}, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}$$

for example with $m = 12$: $[2] = \{ 2, 14, 26, 38, \dots, -10, -22, \dots \}$

define addition: $[k] + [l] := [k+l]$ well-defined

$$[k] + [-k] = [0] \quad \text{identity}$$

inverse

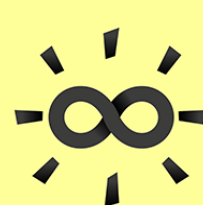
$$\Rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_m, +) \text{ abelian group of order } m$$

Example: $(\mathbb{Z}_2, +)$: $[0] = \{ 0, 2, 4, \dots, -2, -4, \dots \}$
 $[1] = \{ 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots, -1, -3, \dots \}$

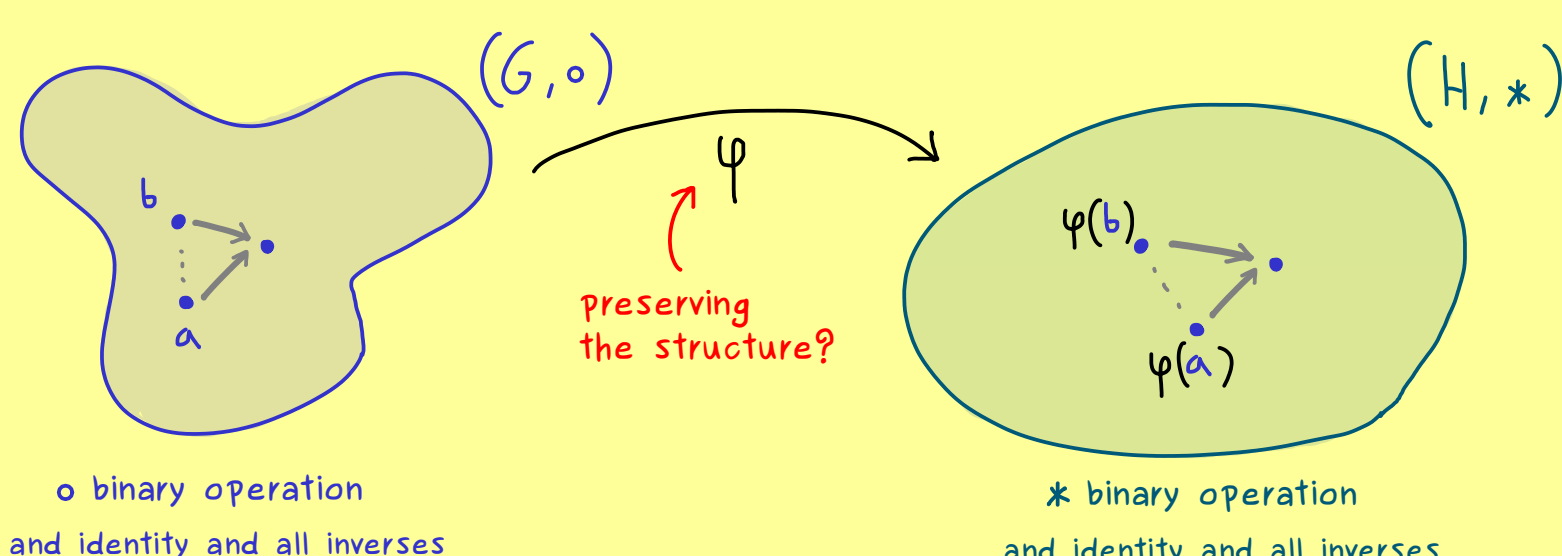
+	[0]	[1]
[0]	[0]	[1]
[1]	[1]	[0]

$(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$: $[0] = \{ 0, 6, 12, \dots, -6, -12, \dots \}$
 $[1], [2], [3], [4], [5]$

+	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]
[0]	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]
[1]	[1]	[2]				
[2]	[2]	[3]	[4]			
[3]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[0]		
[4]	[4]	[5]	[0]	[1]	[2]	
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Algebra - Part 9



Definition: $(G, \circ), (H, *)$ groups. A map $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ is called a group homomorphism if $\varphi(a \circ b) = \varphi(a) * \varphi(b)$ for all $a, b \in G$.

Example: $(G, \circ) = (\mathbb{R}, +), (H, *) = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi: G &\rightarrow H \\ x &\mapsto e^x \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \varphi(x+y) &= e^{x+y} \\ \varphi(x) \cdot \varphi(y) &= e^x \cdot e^y \end{aligned} \quad \Bigg) \Bigg)$$

Properties: A group homomorphism satisfies:

- (1) $\varphi(e_G) = e_H$ (identity is sent to identity)
- (2) $\varphi(a^{-1}) = \varphi(a)^{-1}$ for all $a \in G$.

Proof: (1) $\varphi(e_G) = \varphi(e_G \circ e_G) = \varphi(e_G) * \varphi(e_G)$

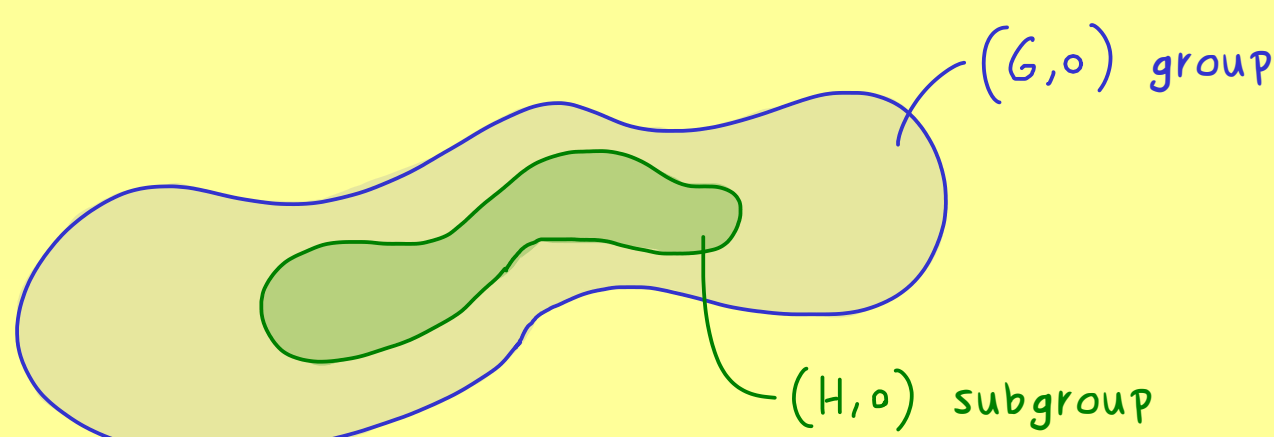
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow e_H &= \varphi(e_G)^{-1} * \varphi(e_G) = \varphi(e_G)^{-1} * (\varphi(e_G) * \varphi(e_G)) \\ &= \underbrace{(\varphi(e_G)^{-1} * \varphi(e_G))}_{= e_H} * \varphi(e_G) = \varphi(e_G) \end{aligned}$$

(2) $e_H = \varphi(e_G) = \varphi(a^{-1} \circ a) = \varphi(a^{-1}) * \varphi(a)$

$$\stackrel{\text{inverse unique}}{\Rightarrow} \varphi(a)^{-1} = \varphi(a^{-1}) \quad \square$$



Algebra - Part 10

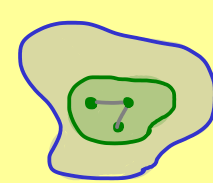


Example: $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ ← $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ subgroup

Definition: Let (G, o) be a group. A non-empty subset $H \subseteq G$ is called a subgroup of G if (H, o) forms a group.

We get a group homomorphism: $\varphi: H \rightarrow G$, $\varphi(a \circ b) = \varphi(a) \circ \varphi(b)$
 $x \mapsto x$
 $\Rightarrow \varphi(e_H) = e_G$
 \parallel
 e_H

Proposition: Let (G, o) be a group and $H \subseteq G$ be a non-empty subset.



Then: H is a subgroup of $G \iff \begin{cases} a \circ b \in H & \text{for all } a, b \in H & (*) \\ a^{-1} \in H & \text{for all } a \in H & (**) \end{cases}$

Proof: (\implies) Assume (H, o) form a group.
 $\implies \circ: H \times H \rightarrow H$ is well-defined! $\implies (*) \checkmark$

Neutral element in H is the same as the neutral element in G :

$e = x^{-1} \circ x \xrightarrow{\text{inverses are unique}} x^{-1} \in H$ for all $x \in H \implies (**) \checkmark$

(\impliedby) Assume $(*)$, $(**)$. Since $a \circ b \in H$ for all $a, b \in H$,

$\circ: H \times H \rightarrow H$ is well-defined!
 associative! (G is a group)

Choose $a \in H \xrightarrow{(**)} a^{-1} \in H \xrightarrow{(*)} a \circ a^{-1} = e \in H$
 $\implies (H, o)$ is a group □

Example: (a) (G, o) group. $\left. \begin{matrix} \{e\} \text{ is subgroup of } G \\ G \text{ is subgroup of } G \end{matrix} \right\}$ trivial subgroups

(b) $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ group, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. $m\mathbb{Z} := \{m \cdot k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$
 $\implies (m\mathbb{Z}, +)$ subgroup of $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$

Recall: $\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$ is a group \rightsquigarrow general construction G/H



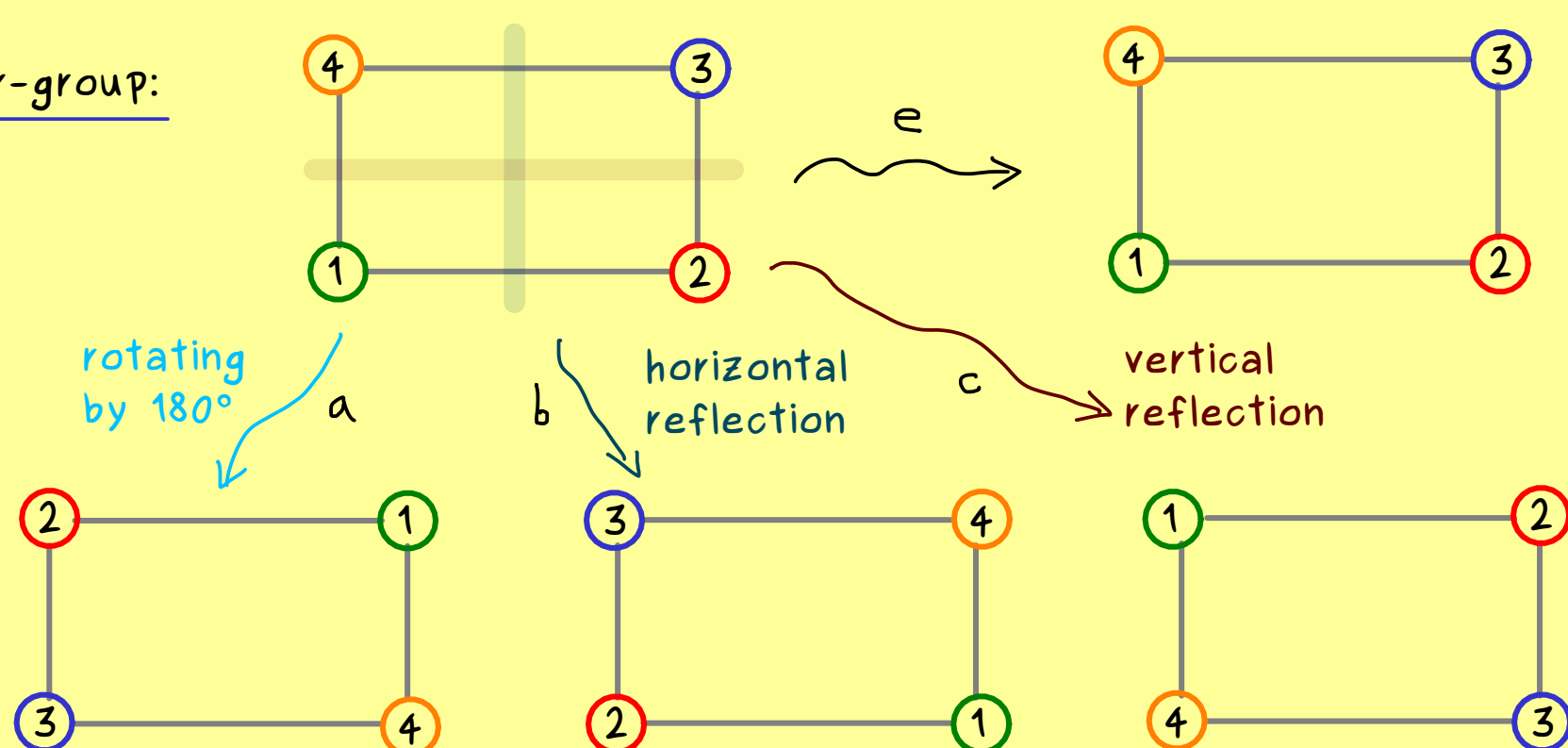
Algebra - Part 11

Recall subgroups: $(G, \circ) \rightsquigarrow H \subseteq G, (H, \circ) \text{ group} \rightsquigarrow H \text{ subgroup of } G$
 $\rightsquigarrow H \leq G$

Proposition: (G, \circ) group, $H \subseteq G$ non-empty subset.

$$H \leq G \iff \begin{cases} a \circ b \in H & \text{for all } a, b \in H \\ a^{-1} \in H & \text{for all } a \in H \end{cases}$$

Klein four-group:



\circ	e	a	b	c
e	e	a	b	c
a	a	e	c	b
b	b	c	e	a
c	c	b	a	e

\rightsquigarrow associativity \checkmark

(G, \circ) with $G = \{e, a, b, c\}$ and \circ satisfying the table above defines the so-called Klein four group, called K_4 .

Proposition: Let (G, \circ) be a group with $\text{ord}(G) < \infty$, $H \subseteq G$ be a non-empty subset.

Then: $H \leq G \iff a \circ b \in H$ for all $a, b \in H$

Proof: $(\implies) \checkmark$ (\impliedby) (H, \circ) semigroup of finite order and both cancellation properties hold

$$\begin{cases} a \circ x = a \circ y \implies x = y \\ x \circ b = y \circ b \implies x = y \end{cases}$$

part 6 $\implies (H, \circ)$ is a group □

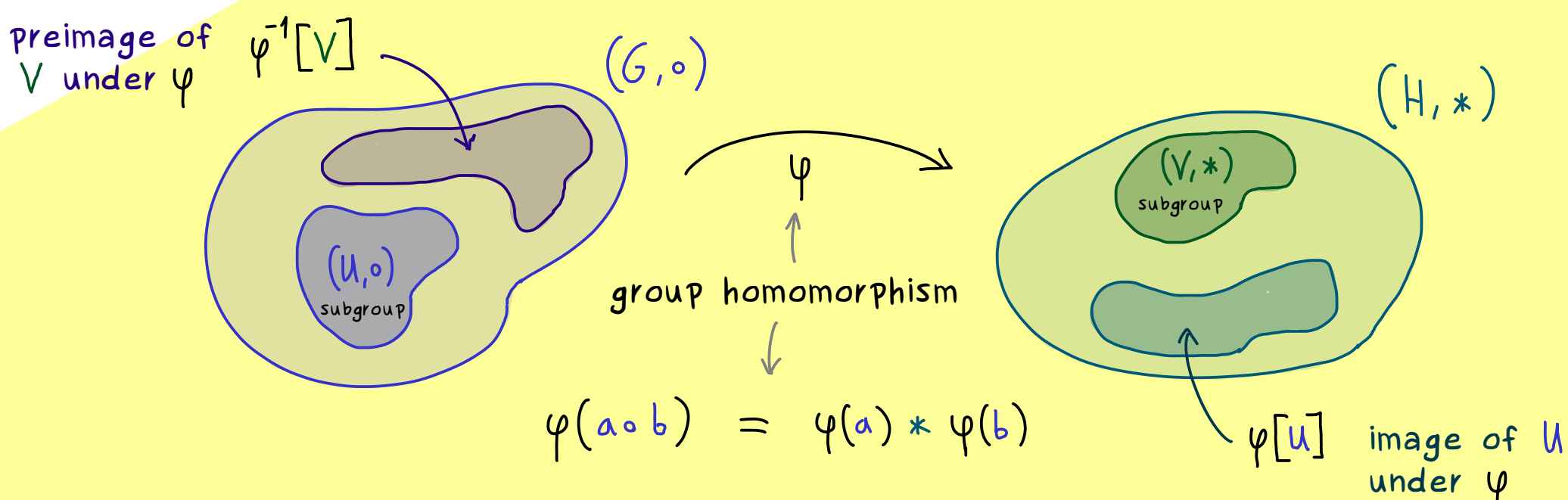
Example: $G = \{e, a, b, c\}$ Klein four-group.

subgroups: $H_1 = \{e\}$, $H_2 = \{e, a\}$, $H_3 = \{e, b\}$, $H_4 = \{e, c\}$, $H_5 = G$

\rightsquigarrow we have 5 subgroups



Algebra - Part 12



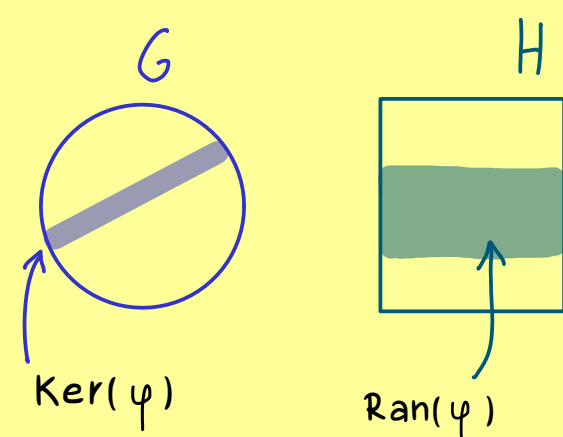
Proposition: $(G, \circ), (H, *)$ groups, $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ group homomorphism.
 If $U \subseteq G$ is a subgroup of G and $V \subseteq H$ is a subgroup of H ,
 then: (a) $\varphi[U] \subseteq H$ is a subgroup of H
 (b) $\varphi^{-1}[V] \subseteq G$ is a subgroup of G

Proof: (a) Take $a, b \in \varphi[U] \subseteq H$. We find $x, y \in U$ with $\varphi(x) = a, \varphi(y) = b$.
 Then: $a * b = \varphi(x) * \varphi(y) = \varphi(x \circ y) \in \varphi[U]$
 $a^{-1} = \varphi(x)^{-1} = \varphi(x^{-1}) \in \varphi[U]$
 (where $x \circ y \in U$ and $x^{-1} \in U$ because U is a subgroup!) $\Rightarrow (\varphi[U], *)$ subgroup

(b) Take $x, y \in \varphi^{-1}[V]$. We find $a, b \in V$ with $\varphi(x) = a, \varphi(y) = b$.
 Then: $\varphi(x \circ y) = \varphi(x) * \varphi(y) = a * b \in V$
 $\Rightarrow x \circ y \in \varphi^{-1}[V]$
 $\varphi(x^{-1}) = \varphi(x)^{-1} = a^{-1} \in V$
 $\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in \varphi^{-1}[V]$ (part 10) $\Rightarrow (\varphi^{-1}[V], \circ)$ subgroup \square

Special cases: $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ group homomorphism.

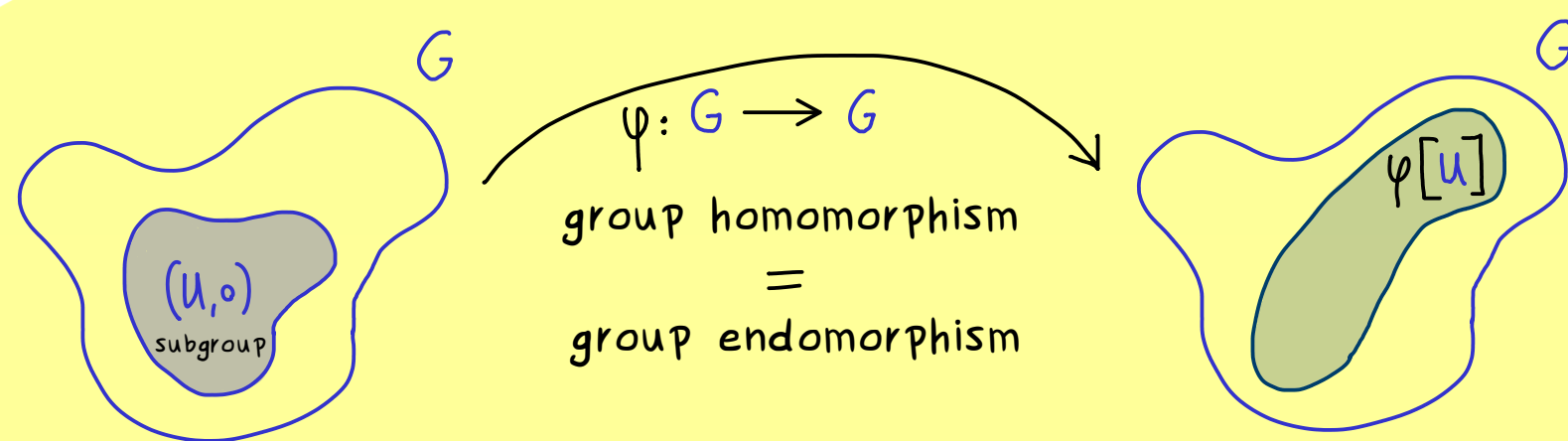
$\varphi^{-1}[\{e\}] =: \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ kernel of φ
 $\varphi[G] =: \text{Ran}(\varphi)$ range of φ
 ($\text{im}(\varphi)$ image of φ)



Example: $\varphi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{e, a\}$
 $k \mapsto \begin{cases} e, & k \text{ even} \\ a, & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$ \rightsquigarrow group homomorphism!
 $\varphi(k+m) = \varphi(k) \circ \varphi(m)$
 $\text{Ker}(\varphi) = \{\text{even numbers}\} = 2\mathbb{Z}$ subgroup!



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Important case: inner automorphisms: $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$ group homomorphism that can be written as $\varphi(x) = g x g^{-1}$

φ is represented by an inner element

endomorphism + isomorphism
= (bijective and homomorphism in both directions)

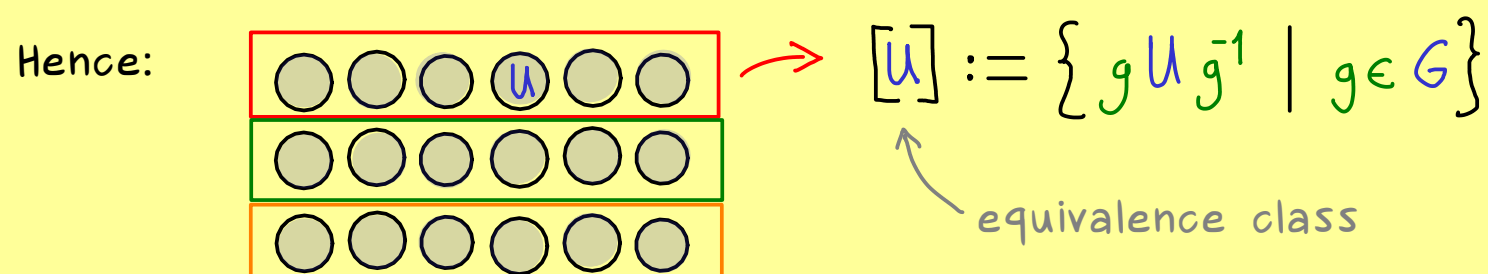
We already know: $U \subseteq G$ subgroup $\Rightarrow \varphi[U], \varphi^{-1}[U]$ subgroups

Definition: Two subgroups $U, V \subseteq G$ are called conjugate subgroups

if there is an element $g \in G: V = g U g^{-1} := \{g u g^{-1} \mid u \in U\}$

$\cong \varphi[U]$ for $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$
 $\varphi(x) = g x g^{-1}$

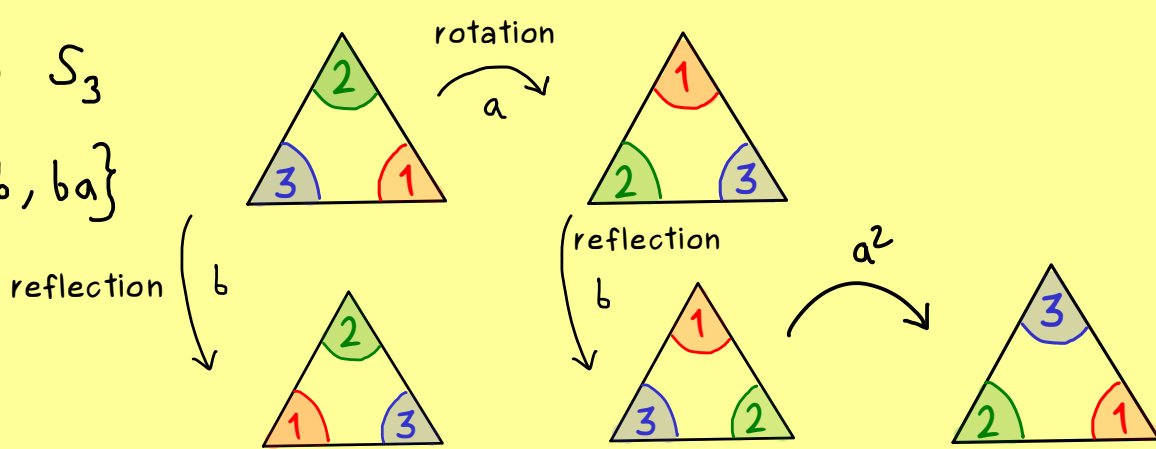
Remember: This defines an equivalence relation on the set of subgroups of G .



Trivial for abelian groups: $g U g^{-1} = \{u g g^{-1} \mid u \in U\} = U$

Example: Symmetric group S_3

$S_3 = \{e, a, b, a^2, ab, ba\}$



$U = \{e, b\}$ conjugate subgroups

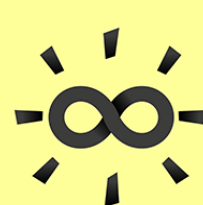
$a U a^{-1} = \{e, \underbrace{aba^2}_{ba}\} = \{e, ba\}$

$a^2 U (a^2)^{-1} = \{e, \underbrace{a^2 b a}_{ab}\} = \{e, ab\}$

$ab U (ab)^{-1} = \{e, \underbrace{ab b (ab)}_{=e}\} = \{e, ba\}$

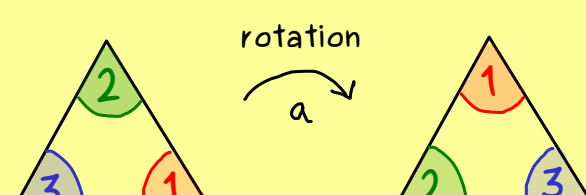
$ba U (ba)^{-1} = \{e, \underbrace{ba b (ba)}_{=e}\} = \{e, ab\}$

$b U b^{-1} = e U e^{-1} = U$

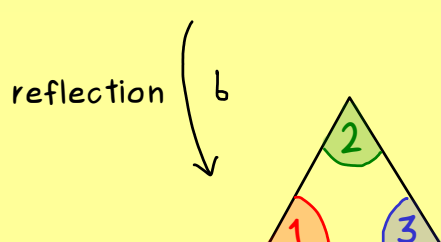


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Recall: Symmetric group S_3

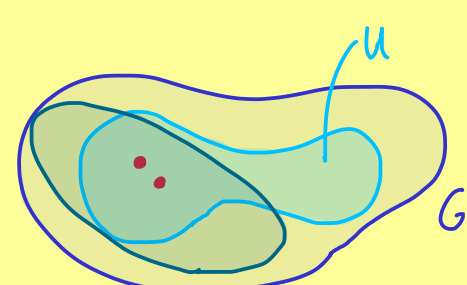


is generated by the two elements a, b



Definition: Let G be a group and $S \subseteq G$ be a subset.

$$\langle S \rangle := \bigcap_{\substack{U \subseteq G \text{ subgroup} \\ \text{with } S \subseteq U}} U$$



We say: S generates the subgroup $\langle S \rangle$.

Proposition: Intersection of subgroups is also a subgroup.

Proof: Assume: G group, $U_j \subseteq G$ subgroups for all $j \in J$, $\tilde{U} := \bigcap_{j \in J} U_j$.

Obvious: $e \in \tilde{U}$ ✓

Take $a, b \in \tilde{U} \Rightarrow a, b \in U_j$ for all $j \in J$

$\Rightarrow ab \in U_j$ and $a^{-1} \in U_j$ for all $j \in J$

$\Rightarrow ab \in \tilde{U}$ and $a^{-1} \in \tilde{U}$ □

Fact: If $S \neq \emptyset$ and $S^{-1} := \{s^{-1} \mid s \in S\}$, then:

$$\langle S \rangle = \{a_1 a_2 \dots a_n \in G \mid n \in \mathbb{N}, a_1, \dots, a_n \in S \cup S^{-1}\}$$

Example: Symmetric group S_3 : $S = \{a, b\}$, $S^{-1} = \{a^{-1}, b^{-1}\}$

$\leadsto ab, ba, bb = e, \dots$ just six elements

$$S_3 = \langle a, b \rangle$$

Definition: A group G is called cyclic if there is element $g \in G$

such that $\langle g \rangle = G$.

In other words: $G = \{g^k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ with $g^0 :=$ identity element in G