

Possible New Approach Towards This Course!

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In the next lecture, I will talk about a cyclic group.

I will prove:

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① $K_a := \{n \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a^n = e\}$ is a subgroup of \mathbb{Z} .

② Define the order of an element and conclude:

$$K_a = \{0\} \quad \text{or} \quad K_a = o(a)\mathbb{Z}$$

③ If a is torsion, then $a^k = e \iff o(a) \mid k$

$$\text{And} \quad a^{k_1} = a^{k_2} \iff k_1 \equiv k_2 \pmod{o(a)}$$

④ If a is torsion, then $\theta: \mathbb{Z}_{o(a)} \rightarrow \langle a \rangle$,

$$\theta([k]_{o(a)}) := a^k$$

is a well-defined bijection. In particular

$$|\langle a \rangle| = o(a) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\langle a \rangle = \{e, a, \dots, a^{o(a)-1}\}.$$

⑤ If a is torsion, then $o(a^m) = \frac{o(a)}{\gcd(m, o(a))}$.

In particular, any divisor of $o(a)$ is the order of

an element of $\langle a \rangle$.

⑥ If a, b are torsion and $\gcd(o(a), o(b)) = 1$, then

$$\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle = \{e\}.$$

Moreover, if $ab = ba$, then

$$o(ab) = o(a)o(b).$$

The lecture after that I will talk about the group action.

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① Define $G \curvearrowright X$.

② Examples left multiplication $H \curvearrowright G$.

Conjugation $G \curvearrowright G$.

Symmetric group of X $\curvearrowright X$.

③ Orbits \rightsquigarrow a partition of X .

. Equivalency relation on X .

④ Exp. Rotations centered at the origin.

Orbits \mapsto circles centered at the origin.

Exp. $SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \curvearrowright \mathbb{Z}^2$

Orbit of $\vec{e}_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \mid \gcd(a, b) = 1 \right\}$.

Exp. $S_n \curvearrowright \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Möbius trans.

Orbit of $1 = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

Def. Set of all the orbits $:= G \backslash X$

Observation. If X is finite, then

$$|X| = \sum_{O(x) \in G \backslash X} |O(x)| \quad \textcircled{*}$$

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Lagrange Thm $G : \text{finite group} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} H \leq G \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow |G| = |H| \cdot |G/H|$

In particular $|H| \mid |G|$.

Cor. $|G| < \infty \Rightarrow \forall g \in G, g^{|G|} = e$.

$H \curvearrowright G \rightsquigarrow$ any orbit is of the form \underline{Hg} for some

$g \in G$. And so the size of any orbit is

$|H|$. Hence by $\textcircled{*}$ we get the

claim.

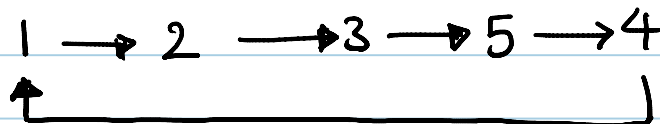
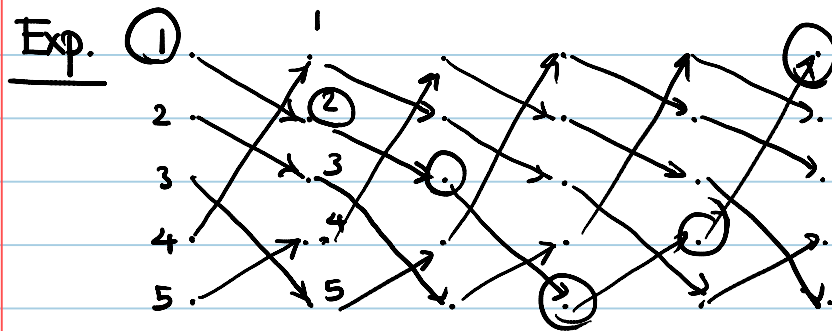
$$|O(x)| = [G : G_x]; \quad \underline{\text{conj.}};$$

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To have a rich set of examples, let's study the symmetric group S_n .

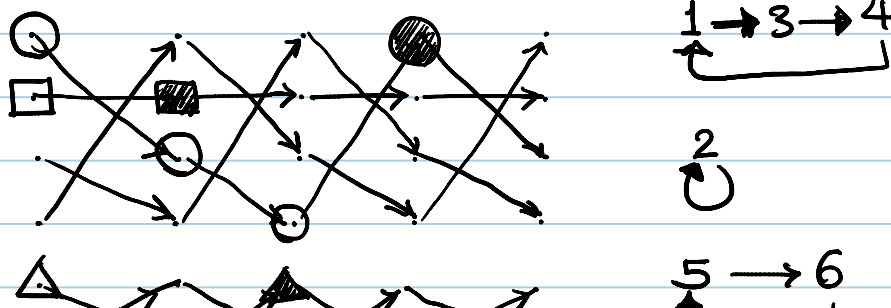
$$\sigma: \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \longrightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$$

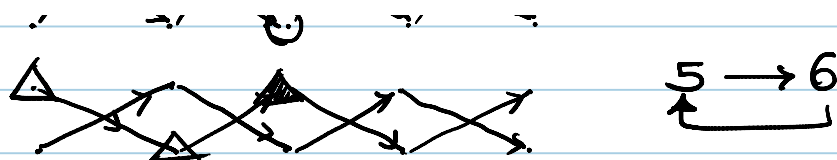
What are the orbits of $\langle \sigma \rangle \curvearrowright \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$?



It has only one orbit; and it is a cycle.

we denote it by $(1, 2, 3, 5, 4)$





$$(1, 3, 4) (2) (5, 6)$$

Any permutation can be written as composite of disjoint cycles. And if we drop cycles of length 1, then, up to permutation, this decomposition is unique.

Examples of multiplication in S_n ;

Order of a cycle of length k;

Order of $\sigma \in S_n$;

* Transposition

* Parity of a permutation $\rightsquigarrow A_n$.

⑤ Homomorphism: definition

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$$\cdot \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$$

$$\cdot S_n \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$$

$$\cdot \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \{\zeta_n^i \mid 0 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cdot \det: GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$$

$$\cdot G \curvearrowright X \text{ via } \theta \iff \rho_\theta: G \rightarrow S_X \text{ is a homomorphism}$$

• $G \curvearrowright G \mapsto \rho: G \hookrightarrow S_G$ Cayley's theorem.

• kernel and image.

• Isomorphism.

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Can any subgp be kernel of a homo. \mapsto normal subgroup

$\mapsto N \trianglelefteq G$ with natural operation is a group.

It is called a factor group

First isomorphism theorem

$$\text{Im } \rho \cong G / \ker \rho.$$

Second isomorphism theorem

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} N \trianglelefteq G \\ H \leq G \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow HN \leq G \text{ \& } HN/N \cong H/H \cap N.$$

Third isomorphism theorem

$$\frac{G/N}{H/N} \cong G/H$$

if $N, H \trianglelefteq G$ and $N \subseteq H$.

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$G \curvearrowright X$;

$$O(x) \longleftrightarrow G_{\bar{x}} \quad \text{where } G_{\bar{x}} = \{g \in G \mid g \cdot x = x\}$$

$$\text{So } |X| = \sum_{[x] \in G \backslash X} [G : G_{\bar{x}}] = \underbrace{|X^G|}_{\text{fixed points}} + \sum_{\substack{[x] \in G \backslash X \\ x \text{ not}}} [G : G_{\bar{x}}]$$

fixed points x not fixed

$G \curvearrowright G$ by conjugation.

$G_g := C(g)$ the centralizer of g

fixed points = $Z(G)$: the center of G .

Each orbit is called a conjugacy class.

$$|G| = |Z(G)| + \sum_{\substack{[g] \text{ a conj. class} \\ g \notin Z(G)}} [G : C(g)]. \quad (\text{Class equation})$$

$G \curvearrowright \{ \text{subgroups of } G \}$

$$H \mapsto gHg^{-1}$$

gHg^{-1} is called a conjugate of H .

$$\text{Stab. of } H = \{ g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H \} =: N_G(H)$$

is called the normalizer of H .

$$\Rightarrow \# \text{ of Conj. of } H = [G : N_G(H)].$$

Remark. H is a fixed point of this action $\Leftrightarrow H \triangleleft G$.

(10) P : finite m -arrow $\curvearrowright X$ (finite set)

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P : finite p -group $\curvearrowright X$ (finite set)

$$\Rightarrow |X| \equiv |X|^P \pmod{p}$$

Cor. $|G|^P \equiv |Z(G)| \Rightarrow p \mid |Z(G)|$

$$\Rightarrow Z(G) \neq \{e\}.$$

Cor.

$$\mathbb{Z}_p \curvearrowright \{ (g_1, \dots, g_p) \mid g_1 \dots g_p = 1 \}$$

$$\Rightarrow |G|^P \equiv |\{g \in G \mid g^P = 1\}| \pmod{p}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } p \mid |G|, \text{ then } p \mid |\{g \in G \mid g^P = 1\}|$$

so $\exists g \in G$ s.t. $o(g) = p$ (Cauchy's theorem).
