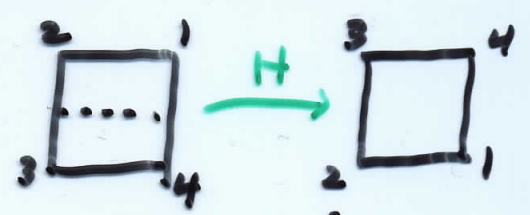


Previously in Math 103 a

Symmetries of squares / Groups



Rotation 90°



Reflection across a bisector

These symmetries form a group

i.e. a set  $G$  w/ binary operation

$$G \times G \rightarrow G \quad (a, b) \mapsto ab$$

satisfying existence of identity, inverses, and associativity.

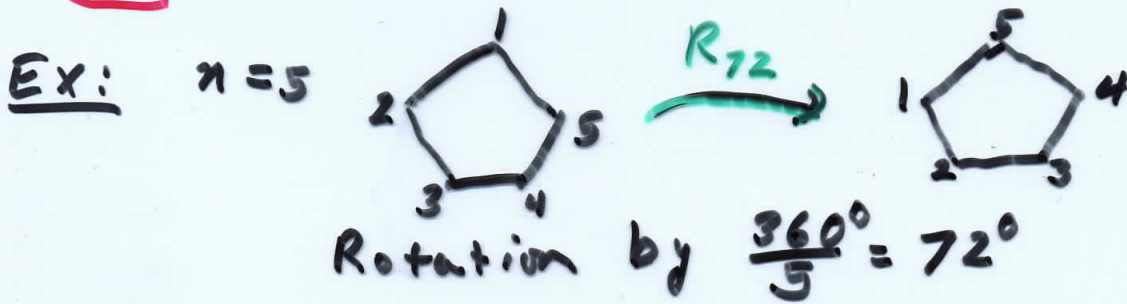
Group of symmetries is non abelian

i.e.  $\exists a, b \in G$  for which  $ab \neq ba$

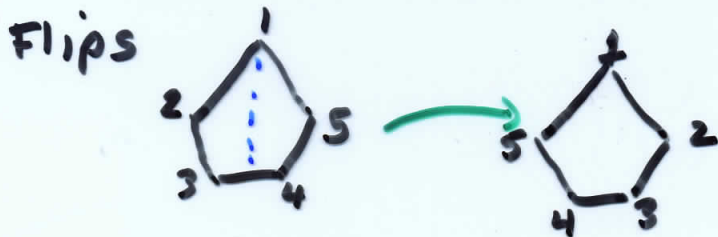
In today's episode: more groups!

### More symmetries

For regular  $n$ -gon, the set of rotations & reflections (flips) forms a group with  $2n$  elements:  $n$  rotations,  $n$  flips, written  $D_n$



Other rotation by  $2 \times 72^\circ, 3 \times 72^\circ, 4 \times 72^\circ$



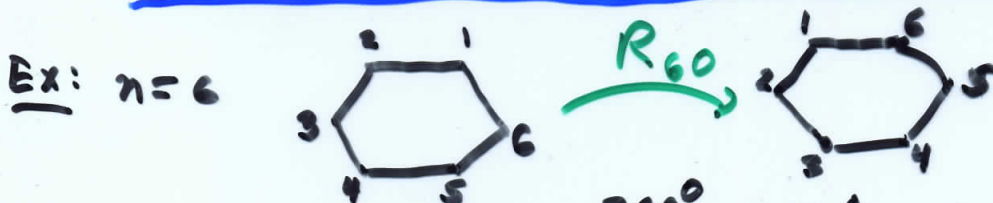
Every vertex corresponds to 1 flip e.g. vertex 4

1-1 correspondence between flips & vertices



5 flips, 5 rotations

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Rotation by  $\frac{360^\circ}{6} = 60^\circ, 2 \times 60^\circ, 3 \times 60^\circ, 4 \times 60^\circ, 5 \times 60^\circ,$

flips similar to square e.g.



## Examples of groups & "nongroups"

1.  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathbb{Q}$  = rationals,  $\mathbb{R}$  = all reals,  $\mathbb{C}$  = complex  
with addition as operation,  $0$  = identity,  $-a$  = inverse of  $a$ . Group!

2.  $\mathbb{Z}$ , operation = multiplication  
Identity =  $1$ , but no numbers  
except  $\pm 1$  have inverses.  
Not a group!

3.  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  = non zero rationals (also written  $\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$ )  
operation = multi,  $1$  = identity

$$\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{-1} = \frac{q}{p} \quad \text{Group!}$$

Also  $\mathbb{Q}^+$  = positive rationals is a group  
(product of 2 positive is positive,  
inverse is positive)

$\mathbb{Q}^-$  = negative rationals not a  
group

Many reasons!

4. All non zero irrational numbers. Not a  
group! Not closed under multiplication.  
↑ (other reasons, too)  
for multiplication



5.  $\mathbb{R}^n$  or all  $j \times k$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{R}$ , operation = addition of corresponding entries. **Group!**  
Matrices may be identified with  $\mathbb{R}^{j \times k}$   
Identity =  $(0, \dots, 0)$ .

6.  $\mathbb{R}^*$  or  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  or  $\mathbb{Z}^*$  (\* means 0 is removed)  
group with operation = mult.

These groups are all abelian.

Groups of matrices with matrix multiplication are often nonabelian

Recall: A square matrix  $A$  is invertible  
 $\iff \det A \neq 0$

7.  $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$  = all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries &  $\det \neq 0$ . of  $A$   
Identity =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Inverse  $A^{-1}$  is

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$\det A = ad - bc$ . **Group! Nonabelian,**

since

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

8.  $M(2, \mathbb{R})$  all  $2 \times 2$  real matrices  
not a group under mult.  
 A has inverse  $\iff \det A \neq 0$

Important example.

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  is not a group under mult since  
 $[0]$  has no inverse. How about

$\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  ?

Check it out

$\mathbb{Z}_3^* = \{ [1], [2] \}$

$[2][2] = [4] = [1]$   
 $[1][2] = [2]$

$[2]^{-1} = [2]$   
 $[1] = \text{identity}$

group!

Try  $\mathbb{Z}_4^* = \{ [1], [2], [3] \}$

$[2][2] = [4] = [0]$  no good!  
 not closed under mult  
 &  $[2]$  has no inverse.

not a group!

Try  $\mathbb{Z}_6^* = \{ [1], [2], [3], [4], [5] \}$

$[2][3] = [6] = [0]$  no good

not a group.

Def. For  $n > 1$ , let  $U(n) = \{[m] : \gcd(m, n) = 1\}$  ~~ES~~

For simplicity, use the notation

1 for [1]  
 2 for [2]  
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 $n-1$  for  $[n-1]$

Thm.  $U(n)$  is a group under multiplication.  
 will prove later.

Ex:  $n=9$ ,  $U(9) = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$   
 write Cayley table for mult.

	1	2	4	5	7	8
1	1	2	4	5	7	8
2	2	4	8	1	5	7
4	4	8				
5	5	1				
7	7	5				
8	8	7				

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4	4	8	7	2	1	5
5	5	1	2	7	8	4
7	7	5	1	8	4	2
8	8	7	5	4	2	1



