

Modular Arithmetic

Last time: Dihedral group

$$D_{2n} = \langle r, s \mid r^n = 1, s^2 = 1, rs = sr^{-1} \rangle$$

Example $n=4$ $R_4 = \{1, r, r^2, r^3\} \subseteq D_8$
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 closed under the group multiplication

$\Rightarrow R$ is a subgroup of D_8

Linear algebra $W \stackrel{\text{subset}}{\subseteq} V = \text{vector space}$

W is a subspace \Leftrightarrow closed on $+$ and scalar multiplication

$$r^2 \cdot r^3 = r^5 = r \quad \text{Look at powers}$$

$$r^3 \cdot r^3 = r^2 \quad r^i \cdot r^j = r^{i+j}$$

but for the exponents "4=0"

Def Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ Say "a divides b / b is divisible by a"

if $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$, s.t. $b = ak$ Notation: $a \mid b$

Exercise: If $a \mid b_1, a \mid b_2$, then $a \mid b_1 + b_2$

Pf By assumption, $\exists k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$, s.t. $b_i = ak_i$ for $i=1, 2$

$$b_1 + b_2 = \underbrace{(k_1 + k_2)}_{\mathbb{Z}} a \Rightarrow a \mid b_1 + b_2$$

Def Say " $p \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ is a prime number", if the only $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{>1}$ that divides p is p itself

Ex: 2, 3, 5, 7, ... prime 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, ... composite numbers

Fun fact: 57 is called the "Grothendieck prime" (3.19)

Division w/ remainder

For any $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a \neq 0$, there exists a unique pair $(q, r) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$

s.t. $b = qa + r$ and $0 \leq r < |a|$

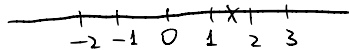
Exercise: $a = 9$, $b = 1373$ Find q and r

PF assume $a > 0$ ($a < 0$ exercise)

Consider $b/a \in \mathbb{Q}$

$\exists!$ $q \in \mathbb{Z}$, s.t. $q \leq b/a < q+1$

then exists a unique



$0 \leq b/a - q < 1 \quad \times a > 0$

$0 \leq \underbrace{a(b/a - q)}_{r = b - aq} < a$

Then we set $r = b - aq$

Def Let $a, b \in \mathbb{N} = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

We say that " $d \in \mathbb{N}$ is the greatest common divisor of a, b "

if $d \in d$ for every $d \in \mathbb{N}$, s.t. $d|a, d|b$

$d = \gcd(a, b)$

Ex $\gcd(12, 18) = 6$ $\gcd(30, 31) = 1$

Well ordering principle

Let $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ which is bounded below (resp. above)

Then $\exists!$ s_{\min} (resp. s_{\max}) in S s.t. $\forall s \in S, s \geq s_{\min}$ (resp. $s \leq s_{\max}$)

Ex $S \subseteq \mathbb{Q}$

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 $\{q \in \mathbb{Q} \mid q < \sqrt{2}\}$ does not have a max

Say $q_{\max} \in S$ $q_{\max} < q < \sqrt{2}$

Can always find $q \in S$

We write $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ (equivalent/congruent)

if $n \mid a - b$ Eg. $5 \equiv 3 \pmod{2}$

E.g. $n=4$ $\{\dots, -8, -4, 0, 4, 8, \dots\}$

$\bar{9} = \bar{-3} = \{-7, -3, 1, 5, 9, \dots\}$

$\{-6, -2, 2, 6, 10, \dots\}$

$\{-5, -1, 3, 7, 11, \dots\}$

For $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, write \bar{a} for its congruence class

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{\bar{a} \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a group w/ $+$ defined by $\bar{a} + \bar{b} = \overline{a+b}$

Say $\bar{2} + \bar{3} = \bar{5}$

($n=4$) $\bar{-10} + \bar{7} = \bar{-3}$

Need to check: $\forall a, b, a', b' \in \mathbb{Z}$

s.t. $a \equiv a' \pmod{n}$, $b \equiv b' \pmod{n}$

We have $a+b \equiv a'+b' \pmod{n}$ (exercise)

Def Two groups G, H are isomorphic if $\exists \varphi: G \rightarrow H$ bijection of sets

s.t. $\varphi(a) \varphi(b) = \varphi(ab)$, $\forall a, b \in G$

Then I can say $\mathcal{R} \subseteq D_{2n}$

$= \{1, r, r^2, \dots\}$

$\mathcal{R} \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ isomorphic