

Group Homomorphism (morphisms)

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universal term for maps btw structured sets  
(between)

Def Let  $G, H$  be groups

A morphism  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  is a map of sets

$$\text{s.t. } \varphi(x) *_H \varphi(y) = \varphi(x *_G y), \quad \forall x, y \in G$$

Recall:  $V, W$  are vector spaces Then a morphism (aka linear transformation)

$$\varphi: V \rightarrow W \text{ is a map of sets s.t. } \varphi(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \varphi(\vec{x}) + \varphi(\vec{y}), \quad \forall \vec{x}, \vec{y} \in V$$

$$\text{and } \varphi(c\vec{x}) = c\varphi(\vec{x}), \quad \forall \vec{x} \in V \quad \varphi(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$$

Similarly,  $\varphi(e_G) = e_H$  for a group morphism

$$\varphi(x *_G e_G) = \varphi(x) *_H \varphi(e_G)$$

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 $\varphi(x)$

$$\text{Set } y = \varphi(x)$$

$$y^{-1} *_H y \varphi(e_G) = y^{-1} *_H y \Rightarrow \varphi(e_G) = e_H$$

Rmk:  $V =$  vector space  $(V, +) =$  abelian group

$\varphi: V \rightarrow W$  is in particular a morphism

linear transformation

$$(V, +) \rightarrow (W, +)$$

Similarly,  $\varphi(x^{-1}) = \varphi(x)^{-1}$

$$\varphi(\underbrace{x *_G x^{-1}}_{e_G}) = \varphi(x) \varphi(x^{-1})$$

Lemma Say  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  is an injective group morphism  $\hookrightarrow$  injective

Then  $x_1 * x_2 * \dots * x_n = 1$  in  $G$  holds

if and only if  $\underbrace{\varphi(x_1) \dots \varphi(x_n)}_{\varphi(x_1 \dots x_n)} = 1$  in  $H$

"only if" - def of morphism

"if" -  $\varphi(x_1 \cdots x_n) = 1 \quad \varphi(1) = 1$  injective

$$\Rightarrow x_1 \cdots x_n = 1$$

Revisit the dihedral group

$$D_8 = \text{Aut}(\square) \cong \text{Aut}([4]) = S_4$$

$[4]$  = set of vertices

An automorphism of  $\square$  is completely determined by its induced auto on the set of vertices

Example  $r$  induces a bijection  $[4] \rightarrow [4]$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \square \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} & \xrightarrow{r} & \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \square \\ 2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\varphi(r) = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4) \in S_4$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \square \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} \\ \downarrow s \end{array} \quad \varphi(s) = (1\ 2)(3\ 4)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 3 \\ \square \\ 4 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ 1 \end{array} \\ \downarrow s^{-1} \end{array} \quad \varphi(s^{-1}) = (2\ 4)$$

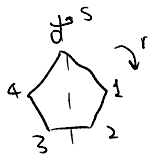
$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \square \\ 3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \end{array} \\ \downarrow r^{-1} \end{array} \quad \varphi(r^{-1}) = (4\ 3\ 2\ 1)$$

$\varphi(g) = \varphi(h) \Rightarrow g = h \Rightarrow \varphi$  is injective

$$(3\ 4) \notin \text{im}(\varphi) \quad (1\ 2\ 3) \notin \text{im}(\varphi)$$

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So say  $n = 5$



$$\varphi(r) = (0\ 1\ 2\ 3\ 4)$$

$$\varphi(s) = (1\ 4)(2\ 3)$$

Verify the relation  $rs = sr^{-1}$

Suffices to check  $\varphi(r)\varphi(s) = \varphi(s)\varphi(r^{-1})$

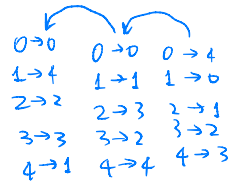
b/c  $\varphi$  is injective

$$\varphi(r) \varphi(s) = (0\ 1\ 2\ 3\ 4) (1\ 4) (2\ 3)$$

$$= (0\ 1) (2\ 4)$$

$$\varphi(s) \varphi(r^{-1}) = (1\ 4) (2\ 3) (4\ 3\ 2\ 1\ 0)$$

$$= (0\ 1) (4\ 2)$$



Works if I replace 5 by any odd number