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# 1 Quick Recap on Group

## 1.1 Starting Simple with Algebraic Structure

- i What are the algebraic properties of natural number  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \cdots\}$
- ii What are the algebraic properties of whole numbers i.e  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} = \{0, 1, 2, \cdots\}$
- iii What are the algebraic properties of integers  $\mathbb{Z} = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots\}$
- iv What are the algebraic properties of rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q} = \{ \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Z}, b \neq 0 \}$
- v What are the algebraic properties of real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$
- vi What are the algebraic properties of complex numbers

$$\mathbb{C} = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, i^2 = -1\}$$

# **1.2 Modular Arithmetic**

This is a new kind of group for the purpose of this class, (a.k.a clock arithmetic) for example, if the time is 9:00am, what time will it be in 5 hours time.

# 1.3 Abstracting Modular Arithmetic

 $\operatorname{Let}$ 

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots, n-1\}$$

And let

$$\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_n = \{ (x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_n \}$$

Define the binary operation

$$+:\mathbb{Z}_n\times\mathbb{Z}_n\longrightarrow\mathbb{Z}_n$$

By

 $\dot{x}(x,y) = x + y \mod n$ That is, find the remainder when x + y is divided by n.

#### Example

$$\mathbb{Z}_4 = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$

 $2+2=0 \mod 4$  $3+2=1 \mod 4$ Doing Modular Arithmetic in Mathematica

# 2 Sets and Functions Revised

### 2.1 Naive Set Theory

- i Any collection of object is called a set
- ii Including the set with no object "the empty set" denoted by  $\emptyset = \{\}$
- iii we say A is a subset of B if every element (or "member") of A is also an element of B.Symbolically,

$$A \subseteq B \Leftrightarrow (x \in A \Rightarrow x \in B)$$

iv two sets are equal if they are both subset of each other symbolically,

$$A = B \Leftrightarrow (A \subseteq BandB \subseteq A)$$

**Note:** For any set  $A, \emptyset \subseteq A$ 

v Operations on a set can be union, intersection, complement, e.t.c.

## 2.2 Functions

i Informally, given two non-empty sets A and B, we say that a "rule of assignment" f that takes inputs from A (the "domain") and "maps" each one to a unique element of B (the "co-domain") is called a function from A to B.

Written as

$$f: A \to B$$

ii The set of all possible output is called the image (or range) of f, and is denoted by f(A)

iii The function f is one-to-one ("injective") if

$$(f(a_1) = f(a_2) \Rightarrow a_1 = a_2) \Leftrightarrow (a_1 \neq a_2 \Rightarrow f(a_1) \neq f(a_2)$$

iv The function f is onto ("surjective") if

$$B = f(A) \Leftrightarrow (\forall b \in B \exists a \in A \colon f(a) = b)$$

v If f is both one-to-one and onto, it is called a bijection. It is also invertible.

### 2.3 Composition of Functions

Given nonempty sets A, B, and C, and functions

$$\phi: A \to Band\psi: B \to C$$

The composition of both function  $\psi$  and  $\phi$  is written by  $\psi \circ \phi$  (or just  $\psi \phi$ ) is defined by the formular

$$\psi\phi(a) = (\phi(a))$$

# 2.4 Some Basic Facts on Functions and Sets

- i Let  $\phi : A \to B$  and  $\psi : B \to C$ If  $A_1 \subseteq A$  and  $A_2 \subseteq A$ , then  $\phi(A_1 \cup A_2) = \phi(A_1) \cup \phi(A_2)$  and  $\phi(A_1 \cap A_2) = \phi(A_1) \cap \phi(A_2)$ (Prove of the second part to be done in class)
- ii if  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are onto, then  $\psi \phi$  is onto
- iii if  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are one-to-one, then  $\psi \phi$  is one-to-one
- iv if  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  are bijections, then  $\psi \phi$  is a bijection
- v  $(\psi \phi)^{-1} = \phi^{-1} \psi^{-1}$

Note these facts can be proved.

### 2.5 Equivalence Relations on Sets

Given a nonempty sets

Informally-speaking, an equivalence relation on S is a correspondence  $\sim$  satisfying the following:

Reflexive Property:

$$(a \in S \Rightarrow a \sim b) \Leftrightarrow (b \sim a)$$

Symmetric Property:  $(a, b \in S \text{ and } a \sim b) \Leftrightarrow b \sim a$ 

Transitive Property:

 $(a, b, c \in S \text{ and } a \sim b \text{ and } b \sim a) \Rightarrow a \sim c$ 

A basic example is the equals on a set of numbers

A key fact: Equivalence relations induces partitions and vice versa.

**Definition:** Given a nonempty set S and an equivalence relation  $\sim$  defined on S, the set S can be "partitioned" into a collection of disjoint sets whose union is S by defining a set A to be in iff all the members of A are equivalent to each other and only each other :

 $a,b\in A\Leftrightarrow a\sim b$ 

Conversely, given a partition of S, we can define an equivalence relation  $\sim$  on S by

 $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a, b \in A$  for some  $A \in$