

## Groups:

Today: Review basics, including Sylow theorems  
+ go over basic notions/notations

$$\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{n}\right], \mathbb{Z}_{(p)} = \left\{ \frac{a}{b} \mid \begin{array}{l} a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \gcd(b, p) = 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

a prime number

rings: all contain 1

algebras  $A$  over a commutative ring  $R$

= a ring homomorphism  $R \rightarrow A$   
such that  $\text{Im}(R) \subseteq \mathbb{Z}(A)$

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  - cyclic group of (finite) order  $n$   
- a finite ring.

$G$ : a group

$\forall$   
 $H$

$$\leadsto N_G(H) = \{ g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H \}$$

a special case in the general context of group actions.

\* left action of  $G$  on a set  $S$

$\mu: G \times S \rightarrow S$  satisfying unity  
associativity

$$S \ni T \leadsto \text{Fix}_G(T) = \{ x \in G \mid x \cdot t = t \ \forall t \in T \}$$
$$\stackrel{\parallel}{=} \text{Stab}_G(T) = \left\{ x \in G \mid \begin{array}{l} \mu(x, t) \\ x \cdot T = T \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Stab}_G(T) &= \text{the stabilizer subgroup of the} \\ &\quad \text{element } T \in 2^S \\ &= \text{Stab}_G(\underbrace{\{T\}}_{2^S}) \end{aligned}$$

$G$ : a group

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ad: } G & \longrightarrow & \text{Aut}_{\text{grp}}(G) \\ \downarrow \psi & & \downarrow \psi \\ x & \longmapsto & \text{Ad}(x) : y \mapsto \text{Ad}(x)y = xyx^{-1} \end{array}$$

$$Z(G) = \text{the center of } G = \text{Ker}(\text{Ad})$$

$$\text{Im}(\text{Ad}) = \{ \text{inner automorphisms of } G \}$$

A left action of  $G$  on  $S$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \text{1-1} \\ \longrightarrow \end{array} & \text{a homomorphism } G \longrightarrow & \text{Perm}(S) \\ & & \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{bijective maps} \\ \text{from } S \text{ to } S \end{array} \right\} \end{array}$$

a right action of  $G$  on  $S$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \longleftrightarrow & \text{a homomorphism } G^{\text{opp}} \longrightarrow & \text{Perm}(S) \\ & \text{the opposite group of } G & \end{array}$$

$$G \xrightarrow{\sim} G^{\text{opp}}$$

$$x \longmapsto x^{-1}$$

Can always turn a right action to a left action,  
and vice versa.

Given a right action of  $G$  on  $S$ ,

define a left action of  $G$  on  $S$  by

$$x * s \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} s \cdot x^{-1}$$

$\uparrow$  new                       $\uparrow$  old right action

Matrices  $M_{m \times n}$ ,  $M_n$   
 $\uparrow$  square matrices

$R$ : ring  $\leadsto M_n(R)$  is a ring.

$\det: M_n(R) \longrightarrow R$  for  $R$  commutative

$R$ : ring  $\leadsto R^\times =$  invertible elements in  $R$ : a group  
 $=$  units in  $R$

$\leadsto M_n(R)^\times \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} GL_n(R) = \left\{ A \in M_n(R) \mid \begin{array}{l} \det(A) \\ \in R^\times \end{array} \right\}$   
 $R$  commutative

What is  $GL_n(\mathbb{Z})$ ?  $\uparrow$  cofactor!

$$A \cdot (\text{cofactor matrix of } A) = \det(A) \cdot I_n.$$

Exer.: Prove this. (Treat case  $R =$  a field)  
 as known  
 ( $R =$  a general commutative ring.)

## Sylow theorems:

$G =$  a finite group,  $p =$  a prime nber.

$$p^a \parallel G \quad a \geq 1$$

1)  $\exists$  a  $p$ -Sylow subgroup  $P \leq G$

2)  $P, Q:$   $p$ -Sylows,

$$\Rightarrow \exists x \in G \text{ s.t. } xPx^{-1} = Q$$

3)  $\#\{p\text{-Sylow subgrps of } G\} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

2, 3: easy consequences of the following  
"counting lemma":

If  $G$  is a finite  $p$ -group

$S$  is a finite set,  $\mu: G \times S \rightarrow S$  left action

then  $\# \left( \underbrace{S^G}_\parallel \right) \equiv \#S \pmod{p}$

$$\{s \in S \mid x \cdot s = s\}$$

For 1): Apply this to:

$$S = \{T \leq G \mid \#(T) = p^a\}$$

## Vector spaces

Modules  $R$ : a ring

- a left  $R$  module is:

- an abelian group  $M$ .
- a map  $\mu: R \times M \rightarrow M$

s.t.  $\mu(x, \mu(y, m)) = \mu(x \cdot y, m)$

equiv: a ring homom

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x, y \in R, \forall m \in M \\ \mu(x, m_1 + m_2) &= \mu(x, m_1) + \mu(x, m_2) \\ \mu(x + y, m) &= \mu(x, m) + \mu(y, m) \end{aligned}$$

$\forall x \in R, \forall m_1, m_2 \in M$   
 $\forall x, y \in R, \forall m \in M$

$$R \rightarrow \text{End}_{\text{grp}}(M)$$

a right  $R$ -module  $M$

$$\longleftrightarrow \text{a ring homom } R^{\text{opp}} \rightarrow \text{End}_{\text{grp}}(M)$$

(Exer!)

Question Is it true that  $R^{\text{opp}}$  is isomorphic to  $R$  for every ring  $R$ ?

↑  
Extra problem for assignment.

## Remark

1) commutative rings — numbers  
functions  
(e.g. all  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ )

2) non-commutative rings — operators e.g.  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$   
 $\mathbb{C}$ -linear operators on  $\mathbb{C}^n$

$\text{End}_R(M)$   $M$ : module over  $R$   
[ $R$  commutative]

3) groups are more difficult than rings.

↑  
symmetry

modules  $\longleftrightarrow$  linear alg. over rings

## Example of modules

Ex 1  $V$ : a vector space over a field  $k$

$T$ : a  $k$ -linear oper. on  $V$ . i.e.  $T \in \text{End}_k(V)$

$\leadsto$  define a  $k[x]$ -module structure on  $V$  by

$$\begin{array}{ccc} f(x) \cdot v & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} & f(T)(v) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ k[x] & & V \end{array}$$

→ Canonical forms, using the fact that

$k[x]$  is a PID.

and the structure theorem of finitely generated modules over a PID.

Ex.

Is the statement also true for

Extra Credit

$O_K$

$$[K:\mathbb{Q}] = 2$$

↑ quadratic ext<sup>n</sup>. field

$$O_K = \left\{ z \in K \mid \begin{array}{l} \exists \text{ a monic} \\ \text{quad. poly} \\ f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x] \\ \text{s.t. } f(z) = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\mathbb{C} \supseteq K \supseteq \mathbb{Q}$$

field

Let  $G$  be a <sup>finite</sup> group

$k$  = a field,  $V$  = a vector space over  $k$

Several ways to look at the same notion

- a left action of  $G$  on  $V$  through linear endomorphisms

- a group homomorphism

$$\rho: G \longrightarrow \text{End}_k(V)^{\times} \begin{array}{l} =: \text{Aut}_k(V) \\ =: GL_k(V) \end{array}$$

- a ring homom

$$\rho: k[G] \longrightarrow \text{End}_k(V)$$

where  $k[G]$  = the group ring of  $G$  over  $k$   
with underlying set a vector space  
over  $k$  with basis  $\{[x] \mid x \in G\}$

$$\underline{\text{and}} \quad \sum_{x \in G} a_x [x] + \sum_{x \in G} b_x [x] = \sum_{x \in G} (a_x + b_x) [x]$$

$$\sum_{x \in G} a_x [x] \cdot \sum_{y \in G} b_y [y] = \sum_{\substack{x, y \\ \in G}} a_x b_y [x \cdot y]$$

Exer : Show that these 3 concepts are equiv.