

**PURE MATHEMATICS 319 LECTURE NOTE  
CHAPTER 0**

**Definitions:** Set theory notation:  $\exists, \forall, \in, \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{R}, \subset$ . Let  $G = \{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots\}$  be a non-empty set. A binary operation  $\star$  on  $G$  is a map (function)  $\star : G \times G \rightarrow G$ . We put  $\star(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha \star \beta$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in G$ . We say that  $\star$  is associative if  $\forall \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in G, \alpha \star (\beta \star \gamma) = (\alpha \star \beta) \star \gamma$ . We say that  $\star$  is commutative if  $\forall \alpha, \beta \in G, \alpha \star \beta = \beta \star \alpha$ .

We say that  $(G, \star)$  is a group if (a)  $\star$  associative binary operation on  $G$ , (b) there is a unique element  $i \in G$  so that  $i \star \alpha = \alpha \star i$  for all  $\alpha \in G$  ( $i$  is called the *identity* element of  $G$ ), and (c)  $\forall \alpha \in G, \exists \beta \in G$  so that  $\alpha \star \beta = i$  ( $\beta$  is called the *inverse* of  $\alpha$ , and we write  $\beta = \alpha^{-1}$ ).

If  $(G, \star)$  is a group and  $\star$  is commutative, we say that  $(G, \star)$  is an *abelian* group. For example,  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(R \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$  are abelian groups.

Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group. A non-empty subset  $H \subset G$  is a subgroup of  $(G, \star)$  if  $(H, \star)$  is a group itself.

**Proposition:**  $(H, \star)$  is a subgroup of  $(G, \star) \iff \forall \alpha, \beta \in H, \alpha \star \beta^{-1} \in H$ .

*Proof:*

( $\implies$ ) It is clear that if  $(H, \star)$  is a subgroup of  $(G, \star)$  then  $\alpha \star \beta^{-1} \in H$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in H$ .

( $\impliedby$ ) Suppose that  $\alpha \star \beta^{-1} \in H$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in H$ . Since  $H \neq \emptyset$ , there is  $\gamma \in H$  and so  $i = \gamma \star \gamma^{-1} \in H$ , and so for any  $\alpha \in H, \alpha^{-1} = i \star \alpha^{-1} \in H$ . Furthermore, for any  $\alpha, \beta \in H, \alpha \star \beta = \alpha \star (\beta^{-1})^{-1} \in H$ . In addition,  $\star$  is an associative binary operation on  $H$  and so  $(H, \star)$  is a group.  $\square$

**Proposition:** For all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in G$  where  $(G, \star)$  is a group,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \star \beta = \alpha \star \gamma &\implies \beta = \gamma && \text{(left-cancellation), and} \\ \beta \star \alpha = \gamma \star \alpha &\implies \beta = \gamma && \text{(right-cancellation), and} \\ (\alpha \star \beta)^{-1} &= \beta^{-1} \star \alpha^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof:*  $\alpha \star \beta = \alpha \star \gamma \implies \alpha^{-1} \star (\alpha \star \beta) = \alpha^{-1} \star (\alpha \star \gamma) \implies (\alpha^{-1} \star \alpha) \star \beta = (\alpha^{-1} \star \alpha) \star \gamma \implies i \star \beta = i \star \gamma \implies \beta = \gamma$ . Similarly, we can prove the right-cancellation property of  $\star$ .

Next, for any  $\alpha, \beta \in G$ , we put  $\delta = (\alpha \star \beta)^{-1}$ . Then  $\delta \star (\alpha \star \beta) = i$ . Also,  $(\beta^{-1} \star \alpha^{-1}) \star (\alpha \star \beta) = (\beta^{-1} \star (\alpha^{-1} \star \alpha)) \star \beta = (\beta^{-1} \star i) \star \beta = \beta^{-1} \star \beta = i$ . Thus,  $\delta \star (\alpha \star \beta) = (\beta^{-1} \star \alpha^{-1}) \star (\alpha \star \beta)$ , and so by right-cancellation property of  $\star$ , we get that  $\delta = \beta^{-1} \star \alpha^{-1}$ , that is,  $(\alpha \star \beta)^{-1} = \beta^{-1} \star \alpha^{-1}$ .  $\square$

**Definitions:** For any  $\alpha \in G$ , we put  $\alpha^0 = i$ , and for positive integers  $n$ , we put  $\alpha^n = \alpha \star \alpha^{n-1}$ , and  $\alpha^{-n} = (\alpha^{-1})^n$ .

If  $G$  has exactly  $n$  elements, we say that  $G$  is *finite*. Otherwise, we say that  $G$  is *infinite*. Let  $\alpha \in G$ . If there is a smallest positive integer  $n$  so that  $\alpha^n = i$ , we say that  $\alpha$  is an element of *order*  $n$ . Otherwise, we say that  $\alpha$  is an element of *infinite order*.

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . If there is an element  $\alpha \in H$  so that  $H = \{\alpha^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , then we write  $H = \langle \alpha \rangle$  and we call  $\langle \alpha \rangle$  the *cyclic group generated by*  $\alpha$ . It is clear that cyclic groups are abelian.

In general, the group generated by the elements  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_k$  is  $\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_k \rangle = \{\beta_1^{m_1} \star \beta_2^{m_2} \star \beta_3^{m_3} \star \dots \star \beta_n^{m_n} \mid m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \dots, \beta_n \in \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_k\}\}$ .

We note that if  $\alpha$  is an element of order  $n$  then  $\langle \alpha \rangle = \{\alpha, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \dots, \alpha^n\}$  is a group of  $n$  elements, and if  $\alpha$  is an element of infinite order then  $\langle \alpha \rangle = \{\dots, \alpha^{-3}, \alpha^{-2}, \alpha^{-1}, i, \alpha^2, \alpha^3, \dots\}$  an infinite group.

**Example:** The cyclic group  $C_4 = \langle \alpha \rangle$  and the group  $V_4 = \langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$  can be understood by the following tables:

$C_4$	$i$	$\alpha$	$\alpha^2$	$\alpha^3$
$i$	$i$	$\alpha$	$\alpha^2$	$\alpha^3$
$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\alpha^2$	$\alpha^3$	$i$
$\alpha^2$	$\alpha^2$	$\alpha^3$	$i$	$\alpha$
$\alpha^3$	$\alpha^3$	$i$	$\alpha$	$\alpha^2$

$V_4$	$i$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\alpha\beta$
$i$	$i$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\alpha\beta$
$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$i$	$\alpha\beta$	$\beta$
$\beta$	$\beta$	$\alpha\beta$	$i$	$\alpha$
$\alpha\beta$	$\alpha\beta$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$i$

These tables are called Cayley tables.

**Definitions:** Let  $\alpha, \beta \in G$ . Then  $\alpha \star \beta \star \alpha^{-1}$  is called the *conjugate* of  $\beta$  by  $\alpha$ . Fix  $\alpha \in G$ . Then  $(\alpha G \alpha^{-1}, \star)$  is a subgroup of  $(G, \star)$  where  $\alpha G \alpha^{-1} = \{\alpha \star \beta \star \alpha^{-1} \mid \beta \in G\}$ . If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  then  $\alpha H \alpha^{-1}$  is called the conjugate of  $H$  by  $\alpha$ . If  $H = \alpha H \alpha^{-1}$  for all  $\alpha \in G$  then  $H$  is called a *normal* subgroup of  $G$ .

## CHAPTER 1

**Definitions:** The sets  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \{(x, y) \mid x, y \in \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x, y, z) \mid x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$  are called the *Euclidean plane* and *Euclidean space*, respectively. The elements of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are called points. A *line* in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a set of the form  $\{(x, y) \mid ax + by + c = 0\}$  where  $a, b$  and  $c$  are some fixed real numbers so that not both  $a$  and  $b$  are zero. Similarly, a *plane* in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is a set of the form  $\{(x, y, z) \mid ax + by + cz + d = 0\}$  where  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  are some fixed real numbers so that not all  $a, b$  and  $c$  are zero.

Let  $n = 1$  or  $2$ , a *map (function)*  $\alpha$  from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a rule so that for each point  $P \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is exactly one point  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^n$  associated to  $P$ . The point  $Q$  is called the image of  $P$  under the map  $\alpha$ , and we write  $Q = \alpha(P)$ . We write  $\alpha : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  if  $\alpha$  is a map from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and for any subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , the image of  $A$  under  $\alpha$  is the set  $\alpha(A) = \{\alpha(P) \mid P \in A\}$ .

Let  $\alpha : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a map where  $n = 1$  or  $2$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is an *injection (one-to-one map)* if  $\alpha(P) = \alpha(Q) \implies P = Q$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is a *surjection (onto map)* if for any  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is  $P \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so that  $\alpha(P) = Q$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is an *bijection (transformation)* if  $\alpha$  is one-to-one and onto. Lastly,  $\alpha$  is called a *collineation* if it is a transformation and the image of every line under  $\alpha$  is a line.

For example, the map  $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\gamma(x, y) = (x^3 - x, y)$  is not a transformation (because it is not one-to-one), but the map  $\tau : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\tau(x, y) = (x + 2, y - 3)$  is a transformation. In fact,  $\tau$  is a collineation.

**Definitions:**

· Two lines in a plane are *parallel* if and only if they are the same or they are disjoint (as sets of points).

- Two planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are *parallel* if and only if they are the same or they are disjoint.
- A *line* in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is the intersection of two non-parallel planes.
- Two lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are *parallel* if and only if they are coplanar and are parallel in the plane containing them.
- Two lines in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  are *skew* if and only if they are not coplanar but are disjoint.
- The distance between the points  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  is  $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$ .
- The distance between the points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  is  $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2 + (z_1 - z_2)^2}$ .

**Notations:**

Consider the points  $P$  and  $Q$ . Then  $PQ$  is the distance between  $P$  and  $Q$ , and if  $P \neq Q$ ,  $\overleftrightarrow{PQ}$  is the line through  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $\overline{PQ}$  is the line segment from  $P$  to  $Q$ , and  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  is the ray with initial point  $P$  and containing  $Q$ .

**Definitions:** Let  $P, Q, R$  be points.

- $P, Q, R$  are *collinear* if and only if they lie on a line.
- $\angle PQR = \overrightarrow{QP} \cup \overrightarrow{QR}$  is the angle determined by the rays  $\overrightarrow{QP}$  and  $\overrightarrow{QR}$ , and
- $m(\angle PQR)$  is the measurement of  $\angle PQR$  in degrees and is a number between 0 and 180.
- If  $P, Q, R$  are non-collinear then  $\triangle PQR = \overline{PQ} \cup \overline{QR} \cup \overline{RP}$  is the triangle with vertices  $P, Q, R$  and edges  $\overline{PQ}, \overline{QR}$  and  $\overline{RP}$ .
- $\cong$  denotes a congruence between geometric figures. We have  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{PQ} \iff AB = PQ$ , and  $\angle ABC \cong \angle PQR \iff m(\angle ABC) = m(\angle PQR)$ .
- $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR \iff AB = PQ, BC = QR, CA = RP, \angle ABC \cong \angle PQR, \angle BCA \cong \angle QRP$  and  $\angle CAB \cong \angle RPQ$ .

**Congruence Theorem for  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$ .**

- (SAS) If  $AB = PQ, \angle A \cong \angle P$  and  $BC = QR$  then  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$ .
- (ASA) If  $\angle A \cong \angle P, AB = PQ$  and  $\angle B \cong \angle Q$  then  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$ .
- (SSS) If  $AB = PQ, BC = QR$  and  $RP = CA$  then  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$ .
- (SAA) If  $AB = PQ, \angle B \cong \angle Q$  and  $\angle C \cong \angle R$  then  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$ .

**Exterior Angle Theorem:**

If  $C$  is a point on the line segment  $\overline{BD}$  where  $B \neq C \neq D$ , then  $m(\angle ABC) + m(\angle BAC) = m(\angle ACD)$ .

**Definitions:** We say that  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$  are similar, and we write  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$  if and only if  $\angle A \cong \angle P, \angle B \cong \angle Q$  and  $\angle C \cong \angle R$ . We note that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR \iff \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR}$ . Other notions we may use are “directed angle”, “half-plane” and “perpendicular bisector”.

## CHAPTER 2: Transformations.

**Definition:** Recall that a transformation of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is a one-to-one and onto map from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be the set of all transformations of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Define a binary operation  $\circ$  on  $\mathcal{G}$  as follow. For  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{G}$ ,  $\beta \circ \alpha(P) = \beta(\alpha(P))$ . We call  $\beta \circ \alpha$  the composite transformations of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

We show that  $(\mathcal{G}, \circ)$  is a group. First, we show that  $\circ$  is closed on  $\mathcal{G}$ , that is, if  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{G}$  then  $\beta \circ \alpha \in \mathcal{G}$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{G}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \beta \circ \alpha(P) = \beta \circ \alpha(Q) &\implies \beta(\alpha(P)) = \beta(\alpha(Q)) && \text{by definition of } \beta \circ \alpha \\ &\implies \alpha(P) = \alpha(Q) && \text{because } \beta \text{ is one-to-one} \\ &\implies P = Q && \text{because } \alpha \text{ is one-to-one} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\beta \circ \alpha$  is one-to-one. In addition, let  $R \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Since  $\beta$  is onto, there is  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^2$  so that  $\beta(Q) = R$ . Since  $\alpha$  is onto, there is  $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$  so that  $\alpha(P) = Q$ . Thus,  $\beta \circ \alpha(P) = \beta(\alpha(P)) = \beta(Q) = R$ . Hence,  $\beta \circ \alpha$  is also onto, and so  $\beta \circ \alpha \in \mathcal{G}$ .

It is clear that  $\circ$  is associative on  $\mathcal{G}$ . Also,  $(\mathcal{G}, \circ)$  has an identity element, namely, the *identity* transformation  $i : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $i(P) = P$  for all points  $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

For each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}$ , we define  $\alpha^{-1} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $\alpha^{-1}(Q) = P \iff \alpha(P) = Q$ . This implies  $\alpha(\alpha^{-1}(P)) = P$  and  $\alpha^{-1}(\alpha(P)) = P$ , that means  $\alpha \circ \alpha^{-1} = \alpha^{-1} \circ \alpha = i$ . We still have to show  $\alpha^{-1} \in \mathcal{G}$ . Let  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and suppose that  $\alpha^{-1}(P) = \alpha^{-1}(Q)$ . Then  $P = \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(P)) = \alpha(\alpha^{-1}(Q)) = Q$ . Thus,  $\alpha^{-1}$  is one-to-one. Now,  $\alpha^{-1}$  is onto because for any  $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\alpha^{-1}(\alpha(P)) = P$ . Since  $\alpha^{-1}$  is one-to-one and onto,  $\alpha^{-1} \in \mathcal{G}$ .

**Notation:** In  $(\mathcal{G}, \circ)$ , we write  $\alpha\beta$  instead of  $\alpha \circ \beta$ . We put  $\mathcal{C}$  to be the set of all collineations from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Proposition:**  $(\mathcal{C}, \circ)$  is a group.

*Proof:* We only have to show that  $(\mathcal{C}, \circ)$  is a subgroup of  $(\mathcal{G}, \circ)$ , that is, we show that for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $\alpha \circ \beta^{-1} \in \mathcal{C}$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{C}$ . We show that  $\alpha \circ \beta^{-1}$  is a collineation. Let  $l$  be a line and let  $P$  and  $Q$  be two different points on  $l$ . Since  $\beta$  is a bijection, there are two different points  $A$  and  $B$ , so that  $\beta(A) = P$  and  $\beta(B) = Q$ . Let  $m$  be the line through  $A$  and  $B$ . Since  $\beta$  is a collineation,  $\beta(m)$  is a line. Since  $P, Q \in \beta(m)$ , we see that  $\beta(m) = l$  and so  $\beta^{-1}(l) = m$  and  $\alpha \circ \beta^{-1}(l) = \alpha(m)$  is a line because  $\alpha$  is a collineation. Thus,  $\alpha \circ \beta^{-1}$  is a collineation.  $\square$

We note that  $(\mathcal{G}, \circ)$  and  $(\mathcal{C}, \circ)$  are not abelian.

**Definition:** An *involution* is a transformation  $\alpha$  with the property that  $\alpha \neq i$  and  $\alpha^2 = i$ .

## Chapter 3: Translations

**Definition:** A map  $\tau : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a translation if there are real numbers  $r$  and  $s$  so that for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\tau(x, y) = (x + r, y + s)$ . Let  $P = (a, b)$  and  $Q = (c, d)$ . Then there is a unique translation that maps  $P$  to  $Q$ , which we will denote by  $\tau_{PQ}$ . In fact,  $\tau_{PQ}(x, y) = (x + c - a, y + d - b)$  and so  $\tau_{PQ}(P) = Q$ . It is clear that  $\tau_{PP} = i$ .

**Proposition 3.1:** Let  $A, B, C$  be non-collinear points. If  $\tau_{AB} = \tau_{CD}$  for some point  $D$  then  $\square ABDC$  is a parallelogram.

*Proof:* Let  $A = (a_1, a_2), B = (b_1, b_2), C = (c_1, c_2)$  and  $D = (d_1, d_2)$ , and suppose that  $\tau_{AB} = \tau_{CD}$ . We note that  $\tau_{AB}(x, y) = (x + b_1 - a_1, y + b_2 - a_2)$  and  $\tau_{CD}(x, y) = (x + d_1 - c_1, y + d_2 - c_2)$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} & (b_1, b_2) = B = \tau_{AB}(A) = \tau_{CD}(A) = (a_1 + d_1 - c_1, a_2 + d_2 - c_2) \\ \implies & b_1 = a_1 + d_1 - c_1 \text{ and } b_2 = a_2 + d_2 - c_2 \\ \implies & \begin{cases} a_1 - b_1 = c_1 - d_1 \text{ and } a_2 - b_2 = c_2 - d_2 \\ a_1 - c_1 = b_1 - d_1 \text{ and } a_2 - c_2 = b_2 - d_2 \end{cases} \\ \implies & \begin{cases} AB^2 = (a_1 - b_1)^2 + (a_2 - b_2)^2 = (c_1 - d_1)^2 + (c_2 - d_2)^2 = CD^2, \text{ and} \\ AC^2 = (a_1 - c_1)^2 + (a_2 - c_2)^2 = (b_1 - d_1)^2 + (b_2 - d_2)^2 = BD^2 \end{cases} \\ \implies & AB = CD \text{ and } AC = BD \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\square ABDC$  is a parallelogram.  $\square$

The converse is also true, that is, if  $\square ABDC$  is a parallelogram then  $\tau_{AB} = \tau_{CD}$ .

**Proposition 3.2:**  $\tau_{AB}$  is a collineation.

*Proof:* We leave to the reader to prove that  $\tau_{AB}$  is a transformation (that is,  $\tau_{AB}$  is a bijection). Thus, we only have to prove that  $\tau_{AB}$  maps lines to lines. Let  $A = (a_1, a_2), B = (b_1, b_2)$  and let  $l$  be the line with equation  $rx + sy + t = 0$ . Let  $m$  be the line with equation  $rx + sy + (t + r(a_1 - b_1) + s(a_2 - b_2)) = 0$ . Then, it is easy to see that  $\tau_{AB}(l) = m$ . Thus,  $\tau_{AB}$  maps lines to lines.  $\square$

Note that in the above proof,  $l \parallel m$ . Thus, translations map a line to a parallel line.

**Definition:** A *dilatation* is a collineation which maps a line to a parallel line. Thus, a translation is a dilatation.

**Proposition 3.3:** If  $l \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AB}$  then  $\tau_{AB}(l) = l$ .

*Proof:* Suppose that  $l \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AB}$ . Let  $P \in l$  and  $Q = \tau_{AB}(P)$ . Then by Prop. 3.1,  $\tau_{AB} = \tau_{PQ}$  and  $\overleftrightarrow{AB} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$ . Since  $l \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AB}$  and  $\overleftrightarrow{AB} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$ , we see that  $l \parallel \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$  and so  $l = \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$  because  $P \in l$ . Thus,  $\tau_{AB}(P) = Q \in l$ , that is,  $\tau_{AB}(l) = l$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.4:** If  $A \neq B$  and  $\tau_{AB}(m) = m$  then  $m \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A \neq B$  and  $\tau_{AB}(m) = m$  for some line  $m$ . Let  $P \in m$ . Since  $\tau_{AB}(m) = m$ ,  $Q = \tau_{AB}(P) \in m$ . Since  $A \neq B$ ,  $Q = \tau_{AB}(P) \neq P$  and so  $m = \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$ . Now, since  $\tau_{AB}(P) = Q$ , from Prop. 3.1 we have  $\overleftrightarrow{AB} \parallel \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$ , that is,  $m \parallel \overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .  $\square$

Thus,

**Proposition 3.5:**  $\tau_{AB}$  fixes exactly those lines that are parallel to  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .

**Definition:** We denote by  $\mathcal{D}$  the set of all dilatations and by  $\mathcal{T}$  the set of all translations. We note that  $\mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{G}$ , where  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are known to be groups.

**Proposition 3.6:** Collineations map parallel lines to parallel lines.

*Proof:* Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{C}$  and  $l \parallel m$ . Then  $\alpha(l)$  and  $\alpha(m)$  are lines. Since  $l \parallel m$ , either  $l = m$  or  $l \cap m = \emptyset$ . If  $l = m$  then  $\alpha(l) = \alpha(m)$  and so  $\alpha(l) \parallel \alpha(m)$ . If  $l \cap m = \emptyset$ , then  $\alpha(l) \cap \alpha(m) = \emptyset$  because  $\alpha$  is one-to-one, and so  $\alpha(l) \parallel \alpha(m)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.7:**  $\mathcal{D}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

*Proof:* We only need to show that if  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{D}$  then  $\alpha\beta^{-1} \in \mathcal{D}$ . Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $l$  be a line. Since  $\beta \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $\beta(\beta^{-1}(l)) \parallel \beta^{-1}(l)$ , that is,  $l \parallel \beta^{-1}(l)$ . Since  $l \parallel \beta^{-1}(l)$  and  $\alpha$  is a collineation, by Prop 3.6, we have  $\alpha(l) \parallel \alpha\beta^{-1}(l)$ . Since  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $\alpha(l) \parallel l$ . From  $\alpha(l) \parallel l$

and  $\alpha(l) \parallel \alpha\beta^{-1}(l)$ , we get  $\alpha\beta^{-1}(l) \parallel l$ . Thus,  $\alpha\beta^{-1} \in \mathcal{D}$ , and  $\mathcal{D}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathcal{C}$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.8:**  $\mathcal{T}$  is an abelian subgroup of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

*Proof:* We need to show that if  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in \mathcal{T}$  then  $\tau_1\tau_2^{-1} \in \mathcal{T}$ . Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2 \in \mathcal{T}$ . Then there are real numbers  $a, b, c, d$  so that  $\tau_1(x, y) = (x + a, y + b)$  and  $\tau_2(x, y) = (x + c, y + d)$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Then  $\tau_2^{-1}(x, y) = (x - c, y - d)$  and so  $\tau_1\tau_2^{-1} = (x + a - c, y + b - d)$  for all  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Thus,  $\tau_1\tau_2^{-1} \in \mathcal{T}$  and so  $\mathcal{T}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathcal{D}$ . It is easy to see that  $\tau_1\tau_2(x, y) = \tau_2\tau_1(x, y) = (x + a + c, y + b + d)$ , so  $\mathcal{T}$  is abelian.  $\square$

**Definition:** Let  $P = (a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . A *halfturn*  $\sigma_P$  about  $P$  is the transformation  $\sigma_P : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\sigma_P(x, y) = (-x + 2a, -y + 2b)$ . We note that if  $Q = (c, d)$  and  $Q' = \sigma_P(Q) = (-c + 2a, -d + 2b)$  and so  $\frac{1}{2}(Q + \sigma_P(Q)) = P$ . This means that  $P, Q$  and  $\sigma_P(Q)$  are collinear and that  $P$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{QQ'}$ .

In general,  $P, (x, y)$  and  $\sigma_P(x, y)$  are collinear and that  $P$  is the midpoint of the line segment determined by  $(x, y)$  and  $\sigma_P(x, y)$ .

**Proposition 3.9:**  $\sigma_P$  is a transformation.

*Proof:* We need to prove that  $\sigma_P$  is one-to-one and onto. It is easy to see that  $\sigma_P$  is one-to-one. We prove that  $\sigma_P$  is onto. Let  $Q = (c, d) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Put  $R = \sigma_P(Q) = (-c + 2a, -d + 2b)$ . Then  $\sigma_P(R) = (-(-c + 2a) + 2a, -(-d + 2b) + 2b) = (c, d) = Q$ . Thus,  $\sigma_P$  is onto. In fact, we have shown that  $\sigma_P^2 = i$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 3.10:**  $\sigma_P$  is a dilatation.

*Proof:* We need to prove that for any line  $l$ ,  $\sigma_P(l) \parallel l$ . Let  $l$  be the line with equation  $cx + dy + e = 0$ . It is easy to verify that  $\sigma_P(l) = m$  where  $m$  is the line with equation  $cx + dy - (e + 2ac + 2bd) = 0$ , and so  $m \parallel l$ , that is  $\sigma_P(l) \parallel l$ .  $\square$

It is clear that for any point  $A$ , if  $\sigma_P(A) = A$  then  $A = P$ , and for any line  $l$ , if  $\sigma_P(l) = l$  then  $P \in l$ .

**Proposition 3.11:** For any points  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  $\sigma_P\sigma_Q = \tau_{QR} = \sigma_Q\sigma_R$  where  $R$  is the point so that  $P$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{QR}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $P = (a, b)$  and  $Q = (c, d)$ . Let  $R = (2a - c, 2b - d)$ . Then  $P$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{QR}$ . Now, for any  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_P\sigma_Q(x, y) &= \sigma_P(-x + 2c, -y + 2d) \\ &= (-(-x + 2c) + 2a, -(-y + 2d) + 2b) \\ &= (x + 2a - 2c, y + 2b - 2d) \\ &= (x + (2a - c) - c, y + (2b - d) - d) \\ &= \tau_{PQ}(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\sigma_P\sigma_Q = \tau_{QR}$ . Similarly, we see that  $\tau_{QR} = \sigma_Q\sigma_R$ .  $\square$

Thus, the product of two halfturns is a translation. The converse is also true.

**Proposition 3.12:** Each translation is a product of two halfturns.

*Proof:* Let  $\tau \in \mathcal{T}$  and let  $R = \tau(O)$  where  $O = (0, 0)$ . Then  $\tau = \tau_{OR}$ . Let  $P$  be the midpoint of  $\overline{OR}$ . Then, by the proof of Proposition 3.11,  $\tau = \tau_{OR} = \sigma_P\sigma_O = \sigma_R\sigma_P$ .  $\square$

It is immediate from the definition of halfturns that the product of three halfturns is a halfturn. In fact,

**Proposition 3.13:** If  $P, Q, R$  are non-collinear points then  $\sigma_R\sigma_Q\sigma_P = \sigma_S$  where  $\square PQRS$  is a parallelogram, and so  $\sigma_S\sigma_R\sigma_Q\sigma_P = \sigma_S^2 = i$ .

*Proof:* Let  $P = (a, b)$ ,  $Q = (c, d)$  and  $R = (e, f)$ . Let  $S = (a - c = e, b - d, f)$ . then it is easy to verify that  $\sigma_R\sigma_Q\sigma_P = \sigma_S$  and  $\square PQRS$  is a parallelogram.  $\square$

Thus, **the product of halfturns is a translation or a halfturn.**

**EXERCISES:**

1. Suppose that we know three of the points  $A, B, C$  and  $D$ . Prove that the condition  $\tau_{AB} = \sigma_D\sigma_C$  uniquely determine the fourth point.
2. For any points  $A, B, C$ ,  $\sigma_A\sigma_B\sigma_C = (\sigma_A\sigma_B\sigma_C)^{-1} = \sigma_C^{-1}\sigma_B^{-1}\sigma_A^{-1} = \sigma_C\sigma_B\sigma_A$ . Thus,  $\sigma_R\sigma_Q\sigma_P = \sigma_P\sigma_Q\sigma_R = \sigma_S$  where  $\square PQRS$  is a parallelogram
3. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the group generated by halfturns. We know that  $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{D}$  and  $\mathcal{H} = \{\delta \in \mathcal{D} \mid \delta \text{ is a halfturn or } \delta \text{ is a translation}\}$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{H}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathcal{D}$ .

## Chapter 4: REFLECTIONS

**Definition:** Let  $m$  be a line. The *reflection in the line  $m$*  is the map  $\sigma_m : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by:

$$\sigma_m(P) = \begin{cases} P & \text{if } P \in m, \text{ and} \\ Q & \text{if } P \notin m \text{ and } m \text{ is the bisector of } \overline{PQ}. \end{cases}$$

**Exercises:**

1.  $\sigma_m$  is an involution.
2.  $\sigma_m$  fixes  $m$  pointwise, that is,  $\sigma_m(P) = P \iff P \in m$ .
3. For any line  $l$ ,  $\sigma_m(l) = l \iff l = m$  or  $l \perp m$ .
4. If  $m$  is the line with equation  $ax+by+c = 0$  then  $\sigma_m(x, y) = \left(x - \frac{2a(ax+by+c)}{a^2+b^2}, y - \frac{2a(ax+by+c)}{a^2+b^2}\right)$ .

**Definition:** An *isometry* is a transformation  $\alpha$  that preserve distance; that is,  $\alpha(P)\alpha(Q) = PQ$  for all points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

It can be shown that isometries preserve: collinearity, betweenness, mid-points, segments, rays, triangles, angles, angle measure, perpendicularity.

The set  $\mathcal{I}$  of all isometries is a group, and reflections are isometries (an easy proof is on page 27 of the text).

**Definition:** Let  $S$  be a set of points of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (we can think of  $S$  as a figure). Let  $P$  be a point in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $m$  is a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . We say that  $P$  is a *point of symmetry* of  $S$ , and  $S$  is *symmetrical about the point  $P$*  if  $\sigma_P(S) = S$ . We say that  $m$  is a *line of symmetry* of  $S$ , and  $S$  is *symmetrical about the line  $m$*  if  $\sigma_m(S) = S$ .

**Definition:** Let  $S$  be a set of points of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . A *symmetry* for  $S$  is an isometry  $\alpha$  so that  $\alpha(S) = S$ . The set  $\mathcal{I}_S$  of all symmetries for  $S$  is a group, called the *symmetry group* for  $S$ .

## Chapter 5: ISOMETRIES

**★Theorem 1:** *Let  $\alpha \neq i$  be an isometry.*

- (a) *If  $\alpha$  fixes two different points of a line then  $\alpha$  fixes that line pointwise.*
- (b)  *$\alpha$  fixes at most two of any three non-collinear points. In fact, if  $\alpha$  fixes any three non-collinear points then  $\alpha = i$*
- (c)  *$\alpha$  is uniquely determined by any three non-collinear points and their images.*
- (d) *If  $\alpha$  fixes two distinct points then  $\alpha$  is a reflection (in the line through these points).*
- (e) *If  $\alpha$  fixes exactly one point then  $\alpha$  is a product of two reflections.*

*Proof:*

(a) Suppose that  $\alpha(P) = P$  and  $\alpha(Q) = Q$  for some points  $P \neq Q$ , and  $l = \overleftrightarrow{PQ}$ . Let  $R \in l$  and  $R' = \alpha(R)$ . Since  $\alpha$  is an isometry,  $R'P = RP$  and  $R'Q = RQ$  which imply that  $R' = R$  and so  $\alpha(R) = R$ .

(b) We prove (b) by a contradiction proof. Suppose that  $\alpha$  fixes three non-collinear points  $A, B, C$ . Then by (a),  $\alpha$  fixes each points of the lines  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ ,  $\overleftrightarrow{BC}$ ,  $\overleftrightarrow{AC}$ . Let  $P$  be any point and we can choose a line  $l$  containing  $P$  such that  $l$  intersects the lines  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ ,  $\overleftrightarrow{BC}$ ,  $\overleftrightarrow{AC}$  at at least two points. Since  $\alpha$  fixes these two points, by (a),  $\alpha$  fixes  $l$  pointwise and so  $\alpha$  fixes  $P$ , that is,  $\alpha(P) = P$ . Thus,  $\alpha = i$  which contradicts the assumption that  $\alpha \neq i$ . Thus,  $\alpha$  fixes at most two of any three non-collinear points.

(c) Let  $A, B, C$  be three non-collinear points and suppose that  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are isometries so that  $\alpha(A) = \beta(A)$ ,  $\alpha(B) = \beta(B)$  and  $\alpha(C) = \beta(C)$ . We show that  $\alpha = \beta$ . Since  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{I}$  is a group, we have  $\alpha\beta^{-1} \in \mathcal{I}$ . Thus,  $\alpha\beta^{-1}$  is an isometry that fixes three non-collinear points  $A, B, C$ , and so by (b),  $\alpha\beta^{-1} = i$  and so  $\alpha = \beta$ .

(d) Let  $\alpha(P) = P$  and  $\alpha(Q) = Q$  for some points  $P \neq Q$ . By (a),  $\alpha(R) = R$  for all points  $R \in \overleftrightarrow{PQ} = m$ . Let  $A \notin m$ . Then  $P, Q, A$  are non-collinear and so by (b),  $\alpha(A) \neq A$ . Let  $l = \overleftrightarrow{A\alpha(A)}$ . Since  $\alpha$  is an isometry,  $AQ = \alpha(A)Q$  and  $AP = \alpha(A)P$ , which imply that  $m$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $A\alpha(A)$  and so  $\alpha = \sigma_m$ .

(e) Suppose that  $\alpha(P) = P$  and  $\alpha(A) \neq A$  for all points  $A \neq P$ . Let  $Q \neq P$  and let  $m$  be the perpendicular bisector of  $Q\alpha(Q)$ . Since  $PQ = \alpha(P)\alpha(Q) = P\alpha(Q)$ , we see that  $P \in m$ . It is clear that  $\sigma_m\alpha(P) = P$  and  $\sigma_m\alpha(Q) = Q$ . Since  $\sigma_m\alpha \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $\sigma_m\alpha$  fixes two points  $P$  and  $Q$ , it follows by (d) that  $\sigma_m\alpha = \sigma_n$  for some line  $n$ . This means  $\alpha = \sigma_m^{-1}\sigma_n = \sigma_m\sigma_n$ .  $\square$

**★Theorem 2:**

- (a) *A product of reflections is an isometry.*
- (b) *Each  $\alpha \in \mathcal{I}$  is a product of at most three reflections.*

*Proof:*

(a) Since each reflection is an isometry and  $\mathcal{I}$  is a group, the statement (a) is obvious.

(b) Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{I}$ . If  $\alpha = i$  then  $\alpha = \sigma_m^2$  for any line  $m$ , and so  $\alpha$  is a product of two reflections. Suppose that  $\alpha \neq i$ . If  $\alpha$  fixes some point(s) then by Theorem 1,  $\alpha$  is a product of at most two reflections. Suppose that  $\alpha$  has no fixed points. Let  $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and

let  $m$  be the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{P\alpha(P)}$ . Then  $\sigma_m\alpha(P) = P$ , that is,  $\sigma_m\alpha$  fixes point  $P$  and so by Theorem 1,  $\sigma_m\alpha$  is the product of at most two reflections. Hence,  $\alpha$  is the product of at most three reflections.  $\square$

**Definition:** Two sets  $S$  and  $T$  are *congruent* if there is an isometry  $\alpha$  so that  $\alpha(S) = \alpha(T)$ .

**Definition (Rotations):** We denote by  $\rho_{C,\theta}$  the rotation centred at  $C$  through an angle of  $\theta$ . Let  $O$  be the origin. Then  $\rho_{O,\theta}(x, y) = (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta)$  and if  $C = (a, b)$  then

$$\rho_{C,\theta}(x, y) = (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta + (b \sin \theta - a \cos \theta + a), x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta + (b - a \sin \theta - b \cos \theta)).$$

It is easy to show that:

- A rotation is an isometry.
- $\rho_{C,180} = \sigma_C$  (the halfturn about  $C$ ).
- When  $\theta \neq 360k$  where  $k$  is an integer,  $\rho_{C,\theta}$  fixes exactly one point, namely  $C$ .
- $\rho_{C,\theta}^{-1} = \rho_{C,-\theta}$ .
- $\rho_{C,\theta}\rho_{C,\varphi} = \rho_{C,\theta+\varphi} = \rho_{C,\varphi}\rho_{C,\theta}$ .
- $\rho_{C,\theta} = \rho_{C,\theta+360k}$  for any integers  $k$ .
- Fix a point  $C$ . The set  $\{\rho_{C,\theta} \mid \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$  is a group.