



***6.4.** Classify plane crystallographic groups with point group $D_1 = \{\bar{1}, \bar{\tau}\}$.

6.5. (a) Prove that if the point group of a two-dimensional crystallographic group G is C_6 or D_6 , the translation group L is an equilateral triangular lattice.

(b) Classify those groups.

***6.6.** Prove that symmetry groups of the figures in Figure 6.6.2 exhaust the possibilities.

Section 7 Abstract Symmetry: Group Operations

7.1. Let $G = D_4$ be the dihedral group of symmetries of the square.

(a) What is the stabilizer of a vertex? of an edge?

(b) G operates on the set of two elements consisting of the diagonal lines. What is the stabilizer of a diagonal?

7.2. The group M of isometries of the plane operates on the set of lines in the plane. Determine the stabilizer of a line.

7.3. The symmetric group S_3 operates on two sets U and V of order 3. Decompose the product set $U \times V$ into orbits for the “diagonal action” $g(u, v) = (gu, gv)$, when

(a) the operations on U and V are transitive,

(b) the operation on U is transitive, the orbits for the operation on V are $\{v_1\}$ and $\{v_2, v_3\}$.

7.4. In each of the figures in Exercise 6.3, find the points that have nontrivial stabilizers, and identify the stabilizers.

7.5. Let G be the group of symmetries of a cube, including the orientation-reversing symmetries. Describe the elements of G geometrically.

- 7.6. Let G be the group of symmetries of an equilateral triangular prism P , including the orientation-reversing symmetries. Determine the stabilizer of one of the rectangular faces of P and the order of the group.
- 7.7. Let $G = GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ operate on the set $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ by left multiplication.
- Describe the decomposition of V into orbits for this operation.
 - What is the stabilizer of e_1 ?
- 7.8. Decompose the set $\mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2}$ of 2×2 complex matrices into orbits for the following operations of $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$: (a) left multiplication, (b) conjugation.
- 7.9. (a) Let S be the set $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ of real $m \times n$ matrices, and let $G = GL_m(\mathbb{R}) \times GL_n(\mathbb{R})$. Prove that the rule $(P, Q) * A = PAQ^{-1}$ define an operation of G on S .
- Describe the decomposition of S into G -orbits.
 - Assume that $m \leq n$. What is the stabilizer of the matrix $[I | 0]$?
- 7.10. (a) Describe the orbit and the stabilizer of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ under conjugation in the general linear group $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$.
- Interpreting the matrix in $GL_2(\mathbb{F}_5)$, find the order of the orbit.
- 7.11. Prove that the only subgroup of order 12 of the symmetric group S_4 is the alternating group A_4 .

Section 8 The Operation on Cosets

- 8.1. Does the rule $P * A = PAP^t$ define an operation of GL_n on the set of $n \times n$ matrices?
- 8.2. What is the stabilizer of the coset $[aH]$ for the operation of G on G/H ?
- 8.3. Exhibit the bijective map (6.8.4) explicitly, when G is the dihedral group D_4 and S is the set of vertices of a square.
- 8.4. Let H be the stabilizer of the index $\mathbf{1}$ for the operation of the symmetric group $G = S_n$ on the set of indices $\{\mathbf{1}, \dots, \mathbf{n}\}$. Describe the left cosets of H in G and the map (6.8.4) in this case.

Section 9 The Counting Formula

- 9.1. Use the counting formula to determine the orders of the groups of rotational symmetries of a cube and of a tetrahedron.
- 9.2. Let G be the group of rotational symmetries of a cube, let G_v, G_e, G_f be the stabilizers of a vertex v , an edge e , and a face f of the cube, and let V, E, F be the sets of vertices, edges, and faces, respectively. Determine the formulas that represent the decomposition of each of the three sets into orbits for each of the subgroups.
- 9.3. Determine the order of the group of symmetries of a dodecahedron, when orientation-reversing symmetries such as reflections in planes are allowed.
- 9.4. Identify the group T' of all symmetries of a regular tetrahedron, including orientation-reversing symmetries.

- 9.5. Let F be a section of an I -beam, which one can think of as the product set of the letter I and the unit interval. Identify its group of symmetries, orientation-reversing symmetries included.
- 9.6. Identify the group of symmetries of a baseball, taking the seam (but not the stitching) into account and allowing orientation-reversing symmetries.

Section 10 Operations on Subsets

- 10.1. Determine the orders of the orbits for left multiplication on the set of subsets of order 3 of D_3 .
- 10.2. Let S be a finite set on which a group G operates transitively, and let U be a subset of S . Prove that the subsets gU cover S evenly, that is, that every element of S is in the same number of sets gU .
- 10.3. Consider the operation of left multiplication by G on the set of its subsets. Let U be a subset such that the sets gU partition G . Let H be the unique subset in this orbit that contains 1. Prove that H is a subgroup of G .

Section 11 Permutation Representations

- 11.1. Describe all ways in which S_3 can operate on a set of four elements.
- 11.2. Describe all ways in which the tetrahedral group T can operate on a set of two elements.
- 11.3. Let S be a set on which a group G operates, and let H be the subset of elements g such that $gs = s$ for all s in S . Prove that H is a normal subgroup of G .
- 11.4. Let G be the dihedral group D_4 of symmetries of a square. Is the action of G on the vertices a faithful action? on the diagonals?
- 11.5. A group G operates faithfully on a set S of five elements, and there are two orbits, one of order 3 and one of order 2. What are the possible groups?
Hint: Map G to a product of symmetric groups.
- 11.6. Let $F = \mathbb{F}_3$. There are four one-dimensional subspaces of the space of column vectors F^2 . List them. Left multiplication by an invertible matrix permutes these subspaces. Prove that this operation defines a homomorphism $\varphi: GL_2(F) \rightarrow S_4$. Determine the kernel and image of this homomorphism.
- 11.7. For each of the following groups, find the smallest integer n such that the group has a faithful operation on a set of order n : (a) D_4 , (b) D_6 , (c) the quaternion group H .
- 11.8. Find a bijective correspondence between the multiplicative group \mathbb{F}_p^\times and the set of automorphisms of a cyclic group of order p .
- 11.9. Three sheets of rectangular paper S_1, S_2, S_3 are made into a stack. Let G be the group of all symmetries of this configuration, including symmetries of the individual sheets as well as permutations of the set of sheets. Determine the order of G , and the kernel of the map $G \rightarrow S_3$ defined by the permutations of the set $\{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$.

Section 12 Finite Subgroups of the Rotation Group

- 12.1. Explain why the groups of symmetries of the dodecahedron and the icosahedron are isomorphic.