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11/12/2018 THEOREM: Given a set map  $S \xrightarrow{f} G$  a group  
 $s_i \mapsto f(s_i)$   
 such that every relation  $r \in R \subset F(S) \xrightarrow{\varphi} G$   
 $s_i \mapsto f(s_i) = \varphi(s_i)$   
 has  $\varphi(r) = 1$  (i.e.  $R \subset \ker \varphi$ )

then there is a unique induced homomorphism

$$\langle S | R \rangle = F(S) / \langle R \rangle_{\text{normal}} \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} G$$

sending  $\bar{s}_i \mapsto \varphi(s_i) = f(s_i) = \varphi(s_i)$

proof: This is really just part of a more general universal property

for quotient groups: Given  $G' \xrightarrow{\varphi} G$  a group homomorphism  
 and normal subgroup  $K \triangleleft G'$   
 such that  $K \subset \ker \varphi$ , there is a  
 unique induced homomorphism

$$G'/K \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} G$$

(given by  $g'K \mapsto \varphi(g'K) = \varphi(g')$ ),

such that this diagram commutes,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G'/K & \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} & G \\ \uparrow \pi & & \nearrow \varphi \\ G' & & \end{array} \quad \text{meaning} \quad \varphi = \bar{\varphi} \circ \pi$$

proof: This thing just proves itself - by it!  $\square$

Then the THM follows by taking  $G' = F(S)$

$$K = \langle R \rangle_{\text{normal}}$$

COROLLARY:  $\langle s, r \mid s^2, r^n, srsr \rangle \cong D_n$

proof: The map  $s \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  induces  $F(\{s, r\}) \xrightarrow{\varphi} D_n$  that  
 $r \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{n}$

has  $s^2, r^n, srsr \in \ker \varphi$ , so it induces a homomorphism

$$\langle s, r \mid s^2, r^n, srsr \rangle \xrightarrow{\bar{\varphi}} D_n, \text{ which is surjective since } D_n = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

But then  $\bar{\varphi}$  must be an isomorphism since the LHS has  $\leq 2n$  elements, and  $|D_n| = 2n$   $\square$

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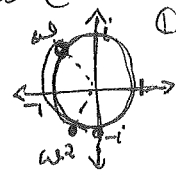
EXAMPLE (from §7.8)

Inside  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ , consider the group  $G := \langle X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, Y = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \rangle$  where  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$

$$X^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y^2 = \begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad Y^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$XYX^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\omega^2 \\ \omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix} = Y^{-1} = Y^2$$

$$\text{i.e. } XYX^{-1} = Y^2$$

$$\text{or } XY = Y^2X$$

$$\text{or } XYX^{-1}Y^{-2} = 1$$

This already shows  $|G| \leq 3 \cdot 4$  elements, namely  $\{1, X, X^2, X^3, Y, XY, X^2Y, X^3Y, Y^2, XY^2, X^2Y^2, X^3Y^2\}$   
 $= \{x^i y^j : 0 \leq i \leq 3, 0 \leq j \leq 2\}$

but <sup>then</sup>  $G$  has exactly 12 elements, since it contains at least

$$\left\{ \pm \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \pm \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}, \pm \begin{bmatrix} \omega^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega \end{bmatrix}, \pm \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \pm \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ \omega^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \pm \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega^2 \\ \omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subset GL_2(\mathbb{C})$$

This also shows  $\langle S|R \rangle = \langle x, y \mid x^4, y^3, xyx^{-1}y^{-2} \rangle \cong G$

via the isomorphism

$$x \longmapsto X = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y \longmapsto Y = \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

REMARK:

Working with groups  $G = \langle S | R \rangle$  presented by generators  $S$ , relations  $R$  can be tricky, because sometimes the relations have extra consequences that one might not guess.

e.g.  $F(\{a\}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^+$  (no surprise)

$$G_1 = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \{a\} \\ \{a^n\} \\ S \quad R \end{array} \right\rangle = F(\{a\}) / \langle a^n \rangle_{\text{normal}} = \{1, a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}\} \cong (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^+$$

but  $G_2 = \langle \{a\} | \{a^{10}, a^{27}\} \rangle = \{1\}$  since in  $G_2$  one has  
 $a = a^1 = a^{3 \cdot 27 - 8 \cdot 10} = (a^{27})^3 (a^{10})^{-8} = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$

TAM (Novikov-Boone) <sup>1955</sup> There is no algorithm taking  $S, R$  as input and two words  $u, v \in S \cup S^{-1}$  that can always decide whether  $u = v$  in  $\langle S | R \rangle$

The Todd-Coxeter algorithm presented in Arbn §7.11 is a cool algorithm that can answer such questions in  $\langle S | R \rangle$ , if we know ahead of time that  $|\langle S | R \rangle|$  is finite. Otherwise, Todd-Coxeter may not terminate for some inputs.

§7.8 Groups of order 12

Here they are:

THEOREM: A group  $G$  with  $|G| = 12$  is either isomorphic to  
 (TAM 7.8.1)

- $(\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z})^+ \times (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^+$  ( $\cong (\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z})^+$  cyclic)
- $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^+ \times (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^+ \times (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^+$  ( $\cong (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^+ \times (\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z})^+$ )
- $A_4$  ( $< S_4$ )  
alternating group
- $D_6$   
dihedral group
- $\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \omega & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle < GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ , iso. to  $\langle x, y | x^2 = 1 = y^3, xy = y^2x \rangle$

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