

Review of 561/562

(4) Subgroups of GL

DEF: Let $(V, +, \vec{0})$ be an abelian group.
The set

$$\text{End}(V) := \{ \text{functions } V \rightarrow V \}$$

is a ring (the endomorphism ring) with
 $+$ and composition.

Let F be a field with a ring hom
 $\varphi: F \rightarrow \text{End}(V)$
 $\alpha \mapsto \varphi_\alpha: V \rightarrow V$

Then (V, F, φ) is a vector space.

Ex. ("the" example). Given field F ,

$$\text{let } V = F^n = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} : x_i \in F \right\}$$

$$\text{let } \varphi_\alpha \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{"scalar multiplication"}$$

Given vector spaces V, W over F .

We say map $\varphi: V \rightarrow W$ is F -linear if

$$\varphi(\alpha \vec{x} + \beta \vec{y}) = \alpha \varphi(\vec{x}) + \beta \varphi(\vec{y})$$

↑ "vector space map"

Then

$$\text{End}(V/F) = \{ F\text{-linear maps } V \rightarrow V \}$$

$$\text{Aut}(V/F) = \{ F\text{-linear bijections } V \rightarrow V \}$$

Ex. Let $V = F^n$. Then every matrix $A \in \text{Mat}_n(F)$ gives an F -linear map

$$\varphi_A: V \rightarrow V$$
$$\vec{x} \mapsto A\vec{x}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = x_1 \vec{a}_1 + \dots + x_n \vec{a}_n.$$

In fact, $\varphi: \text{Mat}_n(F) \rightarrow \text{End}(F^n)$

$$A \mapsto \varphi_A$$

is a bijection.

Q: Structure?

★ Theorem / Definition ★

$$\varphi_A \circ \varphi_B = \varphi_{AB} \quad \text{"matrix multiplication"}$$

i.e. $\text{End}(F^n) \cong \text{Mat}_n(F)$ as rings
 $\text{Aut}(F^n) \cong \text{GL}_n(F)$ as groups
 $= \{ A \in \text{Mat}_n(F) : \det A \neq 0 \}$
"general linear group"

If $F = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{H}$ we can define an inner product

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle := \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = (x_1 \dots x_n) \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \\ = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$$

length $\|\vec{x}\| := \sqrt{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle}$

& distance $d(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) := \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}\|$.

Then we have

$$\text{Aut}(F^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle) = \mathcal{O}(F^n) \\ = \{ A \in \text{Mat}_n(F) : A^{-1} = \overline{A}^T \} \\ \text{"orthogonal group"} \\ \cong \text{GL}(F^n)$$

Notation:

$$O(\mathbb{R}^n) = O(n) \quad \text{orthogonal}$$

$$O(\mathbb{C}^n) = U(n) \quad \text{unitary}$$

$$O(\mathbb{H}^n) = Sp(n) \quad \text{symplectic}$$

★ Non Trivial Theorem (Cartan-Dieudonné) ★

Every element $A \in O(F^n)$ is a composition of $\leq n$ reflections

Ex. $O(\mathbb{R}^3) = O(3)$

	# reflections	det	geometry
SO(3)	0	+1	identity
	1	-1	reflection
	2	+1	rotation
	3	-1	screw reflection

THE END.

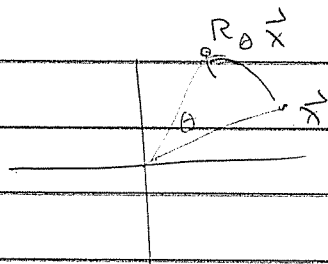
Corollary (Euler's Rotation Theorem):

In \mathbb{R}^3 we have

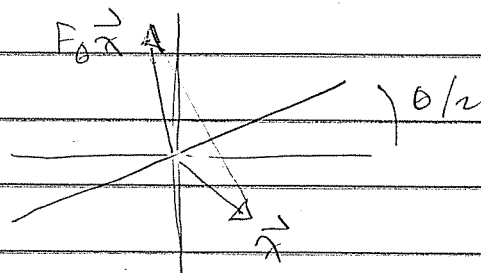
"rotation \circ rotation = rotation"
(or id)

Ex. $O(2) = \{ R_\theta, F_\theta : \theta \in \mathbb{R} \}$

$$R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}, \quad F_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & -\cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$$



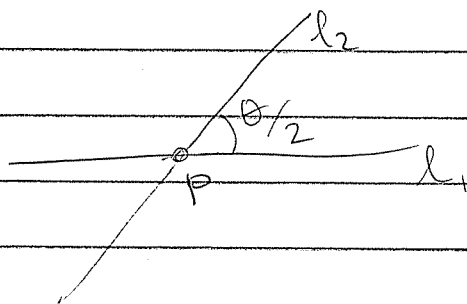
rotate by θ
c. clockwise



reflect across line
of angle $\theta/2$

Note: $F_\alpha F_\beta = R_{\alpha-\beta}$

More Generally



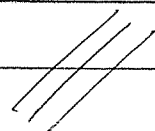
$$F_{l_2} \circ F_{l_1} = R_\theta^P$$

rotate c.c.w.
by θ around P

$$\begin{aligned} SO(2) &= \{ A \in O(2) : \det A = +1 \} \\ &= \{ R_\theta : \theta \in \mathbb{R} \} \end{aligned}$$

Note. $U(1) \cong SO(2)$

$$(e^{i\theta}) \iff R_\theta$$



Appendix : $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{isometries } \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

- 2 special subgroups

① Translations $\mathbb{R}_+^n := \{t_\alpha : \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$

where $t_\alpha(x) := x + \alpha$

② Linear isometries $\text{Isom}_0(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{f \in \text{Isom} \text{ with } f(0) = 0\} \cong O(n)$ by Cartan-Dieudonné

- Given $f \in \text{Isom}$, let $\alpha = f(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$,
so $\varphi = t_{-\alpha} \circ f \in \text{Isom}_0$
 $\Rightarrow f = t_\alpha \circ \varphi$

- $\mathbb{R}_+^n \cong \text{Isom}$, since $\forall t_\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (t_\beta \circ \varphi) \circ t_\alpha \circ (t_\beta \circ \varphi)^{-1} \\ &= t_\beta \circ (\varphi \circ t_\alpha \circ \varphi^{-1}) \circ t_{-\beta} \\ &= t_\beta \circ t_{\varphi(\alpha)} \circ t_{-\beta} \\ &= t_{\beta + \varphi(\alpha) - \beta} = t_{\varphi(\alpha)} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

- $\text{Isom}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \mathbb{R}_+^n \rtimes O(n)$

← natural action