

- \* Algebraic Codes // Code constructions base on finite algebra.
- \* The most important class of codes before 2000.
- \* Even today, it is still the most widely used codes, especially when complexity and speed is the main concern.

E.g. fiber-optic communication

close to  $100-400$   $\text{Gbps}$  per channel for standard cable

up to  $600-1000$   $\text{Gbps}$  per channel

- \* Extremely computationally efficient.
- \* Unfortunate, not optimal in the sense of MAP or ML decoder.

\* Set:  $G$ , which may have finite, or countably infinite, or uncountably infinite number of elements,

\*  $G_1 \cup G_2$

$G_1 \cap G_2$

$G_1 \setminus G_2 = \{c : c \in G_1, c \notin G_2\}$

$G_1 \times G_2 = \{(a, b) : a \in G_1, b \in G_2\}$

$G_1 \subseteq G_2$

\* A binary operation over  $G$  is a mapping  $f : G \times G \rightarrow G$

E.g.  $G = \{\text{apple, orange}\}$ .

$f(\text{apple, apple}) = \text{apple}$ .

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$$f(\text{orange}, \text{orange}) = \text{apple}$$

Oftentimes, we use a symbol, say  $\bullet$  or  $\dagger$ , or  $\oplus$  or  $\circ$ , ... to represent a binary operator

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$$\text{apple} \bullet \text{orange} = \text{apple}$$

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E.g. "Addition" is a binary operator over the set of integers.

"division" is Not a binary operator over the set of real numbers.

"vector inner product"  $\vec{a} \bullet \vec{b}$  is not a binary operator over the  $\mathbb{R}^n$  even though  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

\* Suppose " $\bullet$ " is defined over  $G$ .

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i.e.  $\cdot : G \times G \mapsto G$ .

then we say  $\cdot$  is closed under  $G_1 \subseteq G_2$

$$\text{iff } \forall a, b \in G_1, (a \cdot b) \in G_1$$

\* A set  $G$  is a group (with respect to a binary operation  $\cdot$ ) if the following conditions are satisfied

① Associativity:  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$

② Identity: there exists  $(\exists) \boxed{1} \in G$

such that  $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in G$

sometimes:  $\exists e \in G$ , st.  $a \cdot e = e \cdot a = a$

③ Inverse:  $\forall a \in G$ , there exists

$\boxed{a^{-1}} \in G$  such that

$$a \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a = 1$$

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\* The order of a Group is the number of elements in  $G$ .

\* If the order is finite  $\Rightarrow (G, \circ)$  is a finite group

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\* A group does not require commutativity

$$a \circ b = b \circ a$$

\* A group is called commutative (or Abelian)  $\Leftrightarrow a \circ b = b \circ a \quad \forall a, b \in G$

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Example: Say  $G = \{0, 1, 2\}$ .

define  $a \circ b = \text{mod}(a \boxplus b, 3)$

i.e.  $1 \circ 2 = 0,$

$$1 \circ 1 = 0.$$

$$2 \circ 2 = 1, \dots$$

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Ans:  $\Phi$  Associativity:

$$\begin{aligned} & (a \circ b) \circ c \\ &= \text{mod}(\text{mod}(a \oplus b, 3) \oplus c, 3) \\ &= \text{mod}(a \oplus b \oplus c, 3) \\ &= a \circ (b \circ c) \end{aligned}$$

(2) Identity:  $e=0$

$$a \circ e = \text{mod}(a \oplus 0, 3) = e \circ a = a$$

(3) Inverse:

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0	$0^{-1}=0$	$0 \circ 0 = 0$
1	$1^{-1}=2$	$1 \circ 2 = 0$
2	$2^{-1}=1$	$2 \circ 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow G$  is a group.

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Ans: Associativity.

$$\begin{aligned}(a \circ b) \circ c &= \text{mod}(a \oplus b \oplus c \oplus 2, 3) \\ &= a \circ (b \circ c)\end{aligned}$$

Identity.  $e = 2.$

$$e \circ a = a \circ e = a \quad \forall a \in G.$$

Invertibility:

0

1.

$\neg$

Inverse

$$0^{-1} = 1$$

$$1^{-1} = 0$$

$\neg^{-1} \neg$

$$0 \circ 1 = 2 = e$$

$$2 \quad 2^{-1} = 2$$

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Example:  $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

$$a \cdot b = \text{mod}(a \boxtimes b, 5)$$

Prove  $(G, \cdot)$  is a group.

Ans: Associativity

$$\begin{aligned} (a \cdot b) \cdot c &= \text{mod}(a \boxtimes b \boxtimes c, 5) \\ &= a \cdot (b \cdot c) \end{aligned}$$

Identity:  $e = 1$ .

$$e \cdot a = a \cdot e = a \quad \forall a \in G.$$

Inverse :

$$1 \quad 1^{-1} = 1$$

$$2 \quad 2^{-1} = 3$$

$$3 \quad 3^{-1} = 2$$

$$4 \quad 4^{-1} = 4$$



$\Rightarrow$  It is a group.

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Example:  $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

$$a \cdot b = \text{mod}(a \oplus b, \underline{4}) \oplus 1$$

$\hookrightarrow$  the only different  $e$ .

Prove:  $(G, \cdot)$  is not

a group.

Ans: Associativity:  $(1 \cdot 3) \cdot 3 = 4 \cdot 3 = 1$

$$1 \cdot (3 \cdot 3) = 1 \cdot 2 = 3$$

does not hold.

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Theorem: If  $(G, \cdot)$  is a group

then  $e$  is unique.

proof: Suppose not. We have two  $e \neq e'$  such that

$$a \cdot e = a = e \cdot a$$

$$e' \cdot a = a = a \cdot e'$$

$$e' \cdot e = e' = e \quad \text{contradiction}$$

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Theorem: If  $(G, \circ)$  is a group,  
then  $a^{-1}$  is unique for each  $a$ .

proof: Suppose we have two distinct  
 $a^{-1}$  and  $a^{-1'}$  such that  
 $a \circ a^{-1} = e$  and  $a^{-1'} \circ a = e$   
then  $a^{-1'} \circ a \circ a^{-1} = e \circ a^{-1} = a^{-1}$   
 $= a^{-1'} \circ e = a^{-1'}$

contradiction.

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Theorem: If  $\textcircled{1}$   $(G_1, \circ_1)$  is a group,

$$\textcircled{2} |G_2| = |G_1|,$$

then for any one-to-one (bijective)

mapping  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$

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We can define a new  $\circ_2$  by

$$a \circ_2 b = f(f^{-1}(a) \circ_1 f^{-1}(b))$$

and the resulting  $(G_2, \circ_2)$  is

also a group.

proof: Exercise.

Intuition: the labeling is changed  
but the underlying relationship is  
preserved.

Definition: Two groups  $(G_1, \circ_1)$

$(G_2, \circ_2)$  are isomorphic if

one can be constructed from the  
other by a relabeling bijection

function  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$

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carefully designing

Example:

$$G_1 = \{0, 1, 2\}, \quad a \cdot_1 b = \text{mod}(a \oplus b, 3)$$

and

$$G_2 = \{0, 1, 2\}, \quad a \cdot_2 b = \text{mod}(a \oplus b \oplus 1, 3)$$

$(G_1, \cdot_1)$  and  $(G_2, \cdot_2)$  are  
isomorphic groups.

proof: exercise. Hint: find the  
bijective function  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ .

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Subgroups: Suppose  $(G, \cdot)$  is  
a group. We say a subset  
 $G' \subseteq G$  is a subgroup

If  $(\cdot, \circ)$  is closed over  $G'$ .

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{i.e. } a \in G', b \in G' \\ \Rightarrow a \circ b \in G' \end{array} \right)$$

(2)  $(G', \circ)$  is a group.

i.e. (1) Associativity

(2) Identity

(3) Inverse.

### Lagrange

Theorem:  $G_1 \subseteq G_2$  and  $G_1$

is a subgroup of  $G_2$

let  $n = \text{order}(G_1)$  and  $m = \text{order}(G_2)$

then  $\frac{m}{n}$  is an integer

pf: Omitted.