

1.2 Dihedral groups (page 23)

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D_{2n}

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$$D_{2n} = \{ r, sr \mid r^n = s^2 = 1, rs = s^{-1}r \}$$

$n \in \mathbb{Z}$

if Z is a power of r
then $Z = r^k \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$

take

$$s = r^{-1}$$

then

$$r^2 = 1$$

$$\text{so } n = 2$$

$$rs = r^2 = s^{-1}r = 1$$

$$\text{so } s^{-1} = 1 = r$$

$$1^2 = 1^2 = 1$$

the order is 1 for
-1 n with $n = 1$

$$D_2 := \{1, s\}$$

$$r^2 = 1$$

$$D_2 := \{r, s\}$$

the lower. ...

but $S = r^n \Rightarrow S = \exists Z$
which is a power of
 n

let's see
 $S \neq \exists Z$

~~\Rightarrow~~

$$S^2 = r^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{r^n} = S$$

$$\Rightarrow r^{\frac{n}{2}} = S$$

for $r^k = 1$

$$k = \frac{n}{2} \Rightarrow 2k$$

so the order

then

$$S = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$$

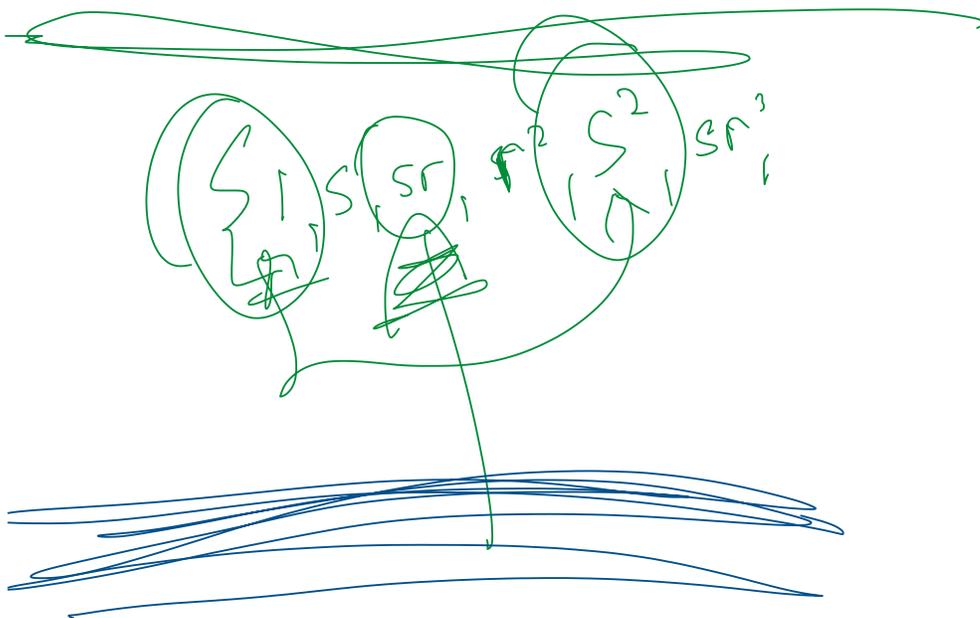
Suppose $S = 0$
the identity must show

$\geq r^0, r^1, \dots, r^{2^k-1}$
 so $s^1, s^3, \dots, s^{2^k-1}$ are
 good candidates

take

$\nexists s^1$
 if $s^1 = e$ contradicts
 the premise since $r^n = e$

$\therefore s^1 \neq e$



$$D_{2^n} =$$

if s^2 is a power
 of r then so is
 every s^{2^k} $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

notice

$$rs = sr^{-1}$$

\Rightarrow

$$(rs)(sr^{-1}) = e$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{smc } r(s^2)r^{-1} \\ = (r \cdot e)r^{-1} \\ = r \cdot r^{-1} = e \end{aligned}$$

$$e \circ s = s = s \circ e$$

$$\begin{aligned} r^n \circ s = s^2 \circ s = e \circ s & \quad D_{12} \\ = s^3 = s \end{aligned}$$

notice $k \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (k+1) \in \mathbb{N}$

$$r^{(k+1)} \circ s \longrightarrow s$$

$$\text{if } x = r^{(k+1)} \circ s$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} x^1 &= s \\ x^2 &= s^2 = e \end{aligned}$$

thus 2 is the order of the D_{2n} group.