

G is a semidirect product of H and N if $H \leq G, N \trianglelefteq G, H \cdot N = N \cdot H = G, H \cap N = \{e\}$.

$(H, N, \alpha) \rightsquigarrow N \rtimes_{\alpha} H =: G$ ← starting w/ this definition for G .
 $\alpha: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\text{group}}(N)$
 $\{ (n, h) \mid n \in N, h \in H \}$
 $(n_1, h_1) * (n_2, h_2) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (n_1 \cdot \alpha(h_1)(n_2), h_1 h_2)$

Lemma: G with operation $*$ is a group.

pf $*$ is associative (proved last time since α is a group action):

$$\alpha(h_1)(n_2) \cdot \alpha(h_1 h_2)(n_3) = \alpha(h_1)(n_2 \cdot \alpha(h_2)(n_3))$$

G has identity (e_N, e_H) :

$$(e_N, e_H) (n, h) = (e_N \cdot \alpha(e_H)(n), e_H h) = (n, h).$$

(n, h) has inverse $(\alpha(h^{-1})(n^{-1}), h^{-1})$ □

$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \xrightarrow{f_1} & G \\ h & \longmapsto & (e_N, h) \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{ccc} N & \xrightarrow{f_2} & G \\ n & \longmapsto & (n, e_H) \end{array}$$

We can view $H \leq G, N \leq G$. And $N \trianglelefteq G$

and (ii) $G = HN = NH$ and (iii) $N \cap H = \{e\}$.

$$(e_N, h_1) \cdot (e_N, h_2) = (e_N \cdot \alpha(h_1)(e_N), h_1 h_2) = (e_N, h_1 h_2) \checkmark$$

$$(n_1, e_H) \cdot (n_2, e_H) = (n_1 \cdot \alpha(e_H)(n_2), e_H e_H) = (n_1 n_2, e_H) \checkmark$$

So f_1, f_2 are group homomorphisms

w.t.s. $(e_N, h) (n, e_H) (e_N, h)^{-1} = (n', e_H)$ for some $n' \in N$.

$$(e_N \cdot \alpha(h)(n), h) (e_N, h^{-1})$$

$$\underbrace{(\alpha(h)(n), e_H)}$$

remember, α is supposed to be like conjugation.

So $N \trianglelefteq G$, and f_1, f_2 are injective gp-homs

So $G = N \rtimes_{\alpha} H$ is a semidirect product of N and H .

Now let G be a group, $H \leq G \trianglelefteq N$; $G = HN = NH$; $H \cap N = \{e\}$.

define $\alpha: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}_G(N)$ by $\alpha(h)(n) = hnh^{-1}$

so $(H, N, \alpha) \rightsquigarrow G = N \rtimes H$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Prop: } G & \xrightarrow{\cong} & G \\ (n, h) & \xrightarrow{f} & n \cdot h \end{array}$$

Pf f is a gp-hom.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (n_1, h_1) \cdot (n_2, h_2) & = & (n_1 \cdot \alpha(h_1)(n_2), h_1 h_2) \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f \\ (n_1 \cdot h_1) \cdot (n_2 \cdot h_2) & \stackrel{!}{=} & n_1 h_1 n_2 h_1^{-1} h_1 h_2 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Aut}_{\text{group}}(W) = ?$$

↑ same group, all iso's $W \xrightarrow{\cong} W$.

$$\text{eg: } W = \mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle \ni 1 \longmapsto \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \dots$$

$$\text{Aut}_{\text{group}}(\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \{\text{id}, \sigma\} \quad \sigma(x) = -x.$$

eg $W = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$. $\text{Aut}_{\text{group}}(\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \{\text{id}, \sigma\}$ s.t. $\sigma(1) = 5$.
 " $\langle 1 | 6 \cdot 1 = 0 \rangle$ $(\sigma(x) = 6-x)$.
 $1 \mapsto \frac{1}{5}$

eg $W = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$. Can send $1 \mapsto$ any $x \neq 0$. so $|\text{Aut}_{\text{gr}}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})| = p-1$.
 $\sigma_x: 1 \mapsto x$.
 $1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_x} x \xrightarrow{\sigma_{xy}} xy$. $\text{Aut}_{\text{gr}}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, +) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}, \times)$.

exercise: Claim $\text{Aut}_{\text{gr}}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, +) = (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, \times) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z}, +)$

Cor of 3rd iso. thm $(H \leq G, N \leq G, H/H \cap N \cong H \cdot N / N$.
 if $G = N \rtimes H$ then this says $H \cong G/N$).

Verbally: $G \xrightarrow{\pi} G/N$. $\forall \bar{y} \in G/N$, we can unambiguously pick

a representative $r_{\bar{y}} \in G$ s.t. $\text{ord}_{G/N}(\bar{y}) = \text{ord}_G(r_{\bar{y}})$

and $\{r_{\bar{y}} : \bar{y} \in G/N\} = H$ is a group $\cong G/N$.

$$r_{\bar{y}_1} r_{\bar{y}_2} = r_{\bar{y}_1 \bar{y}_2}$$

$\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}$ is not a semidirect product of $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ and $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$.

if it was, then it comes from some $\alpha: \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} \text{Aut}_{\text{gr}}(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$.

but there are no such (nonidentity) maps.

and so $\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \implies \mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ but this is false.

Ex: $S_n \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^n$, $\sigma \left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{\sigma(1)} \\ \vdots \\ x_{\sigma(n)} \end{pmatrix}$. $S_n \longrightarrow \text{Aut}_{\text{gr}}(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

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New group $\hat{S}_n = \mathbb{Z}^n \rtimes S_n$