When Is a Cube Like a Tetrahedron?

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Definition (S,C) is a <u>space</u> iff S is a set and C is a function with domain S×S such that
i) C(x,y) = C(y,x) and
ii) C(x,x) = C(y,z) iff y = z. Definition. A <u>homomorphism</u> from (S,C) to (T,D) is a function h: S→T so that for all p, q, r, s ∈ S if C(p,q) = C(r,s), then D(h(p),h(q)) = D(h(r),h(s)). The <u>coset</u> of p ∈ S under h is H_p = {x: h(x) = h(p)}.









Theorem 1. If h: S→T is a homomorphism, p, q, r, s ∈ S,
 C(p,q) = C(r,s) and q ∈ H_p, then s ∈ H_r.

Definition. A subset S of a space X is a <u>subspace</u> iff for all p, q, r ∈ S and s ∈ X if
 C(p,q) = C(r,s), then s ∈ S.

• **Corollary**. A coset of a homomorphism is a subspace.

Subspaces?



Direct Product



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Definition. Given (X, C) and (Y, D), define (X×Y, C×D) on X×Y with color function C×D((p, q), (r, s)) = (C(p,r), D(q,s)).











Definition. If h: X→Y is a one-to-one onto homomorphism, (Y,D) <u>contains</u> (X,C). If each space contains the other, the spaces are <u>isomorphic</u>.



Definitions. A bijection σ on **(X, C)** preserving colors is an <u>isometry</u>. (For all **p**, **q** \in **X**, **C**(**p**, **q**) = **C**(σ (**p**), σ (**q**)).)

I(X) is the group of isometries of **X**.

A space (X, C) is <u>one-point homogeneous</u> iff I(X) is <u>transitive</u>; that is, for all $a, b \in X$, there is $\sigma \in G$ such that $\sigma(a) = b$. Theorem 2. I(X×Y) is isomorphic to I(X)×I(Y). If X and Y are one-point homogeneous, so is X×Y. • **Theorem 3**. If **(X, C)** is a finite one-point homogeneous space and **Y** is a subspace,

i) (LaGrange's Theorem) |Y| divides |X|,
ii) X can be partitioned into closed
subspaces "isometric" to Y.

Homomorphic Image?



Dodecahedron



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Petersen graph

• I(Dodecahedron) $\cong A_5 \times Z_2$ with 120 elements and I(Petersen) $\cong S_5$, also with 120 elements.

Theorem 4. If h: X→Y is a homomorphism onto Y, there is a homomorphism of I(X) into I(Y).

Homomorphic Image?



Icosahedron

Non-homogeneous Space





Theorem 5. Let Z be the homomorphic image of the one-point homogeneous space X and the cosets all be isometric to the subspace Y. If X contains Y×Z, then the natural homomorphism from I(X) to I(Z) is onto.