

Non-abelian tensor product and orderability of groups

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Ways to generalize Baer theorem:

- Consider n -central extensions and relate properties of G to properties of $\gamma_{n+1}(H)$.
- Change lower central series to some other normal series.

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Tensor product of G and H is a group $G \otimes H$, freely generated by symbols $g \otimes h$ with relations

$$gg' \otimes h = ({}^g g' \otimes {}^g h)(g \otimes h)$$

$$g \otimes hh' = (g \otimes h)({}^h g \otimes {}^h h')$$

In the case $G = H$ and the action is conjugation in G tensor product is called **tensor square**.

An **exterior square** $G \wedge G$ is defined as $\frac{G \otimes G}{\langle g \otimes g \rangle}$.

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Example:

Let $H = G$ and consider a commutator map

$$\varphi(g_1, g_2) = [g_1, g_2].$$

Commutator identities imply that this is a crossed pairing and we have a homomorphism $\varphi^* : G \otimes G \rightarrow G$ that sends $g_1 \otimes g_2$ to $[g_1, g_2]$.

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$$G = F/R, \quad G \wedge G \cong \frac{[F, F]}{[F, R]}$$

$$1 \longrightarrow \frac{R \cap [F, F]}{[F, R]} \longrightarrow \frac{[F, F]}{[F, R]} \longrightarrow \frac{[F, F]}{R \cap [F, F]} \longrightarrow 1$$

$$\frac{R \cap [F, F]}{[F, R]} \cong H_2(G) \text{ (Hopf's formula)}$$

Consider an arbitrary central extension

$$1 \longrightarrow A \longrightarrow K \xrightarrow{\pi} G \longrightarrow 1$$

The commutator maps lifts to the map

$$\Phi(g, h) = [\bar{g}, \bar{h}] \text{ where } \pi(\bar{g}) = g, \pi(\bar{h}) = h$$

which is a crossed pairing. This defines homomorphisms

$$g \otimes h \mapsto [\bar{g}, \bar{h}] \text{ and } g \wedge h \mapsto [\bar{g}, \bar{h}]$$

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$$1 \longrightarrow H_2(G) \longrightarrow G \wedge G \longrightarrow \gamma_2(G) \longrightarrow 1$$

- $\gamma_2(G)$ is a subgroup of finite group
- Homology groups of finite groups are finite.
- Extensions of finite groups by finite are finite.

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- if G and H are finite, then $G \otimes H$ is finite.
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$$J(G) := \pi_3(\Sigma K(G, 1)),$$

$\Gamma(G_{ab})$ is a quadratic Whitehead functor.

$$\nabla(G) = \langle g \otimes g \rangle \subset G \otimes G.$$

There are well defined actions of G on $G \otimes G$

$$g^3(g_1 \otimes g_2) = g^3 g_1 \otimes g^3 g_2,$$

and $G \otimes G$ on G given by

$$g_1 \otimes g_2 g_3 = [g_1, g_2] g_3.$$

These actions are compatible and we can define

$$G^{\otimes 3} := (G \otimes G) \otimes G.$$

For $n \geq 3$ we can inductively define the n -fold tensor product $G^{\otimes n}$, by considering the actions of G and $G^{\otimes n-1}$ on each other defined by

$$\begin{aligned} & g^n(\dots((g_1 \otimes g_2) \otimes \dots \otimes g_{n-2}) \otimes g_{n-1}) = \\ & = (\dots((g^n g_1 \otimes g^n g_2) \otimes \dots \otimes g^n g_{n-2}) \otimes g^n g_{n-1}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(\dots((g_1 \otimes g_2) \otimes \dots \otimes g_{n-2}) \otimes g_{n-1}) g_n = [\dots[[g_1, g_2], g_3], \dots, g_{n-1}] g_1.$$

And there is a well-defined homomorphism $\lambda_n^G : G^{\otimes n} \rightarrow \gamma_n(G)$ defined on generators by

$$(\dots (g_1 \otimes g_2) \otimes \dots \otimes g_{n-1}) \otimes g_n \mapsto [\dots[g_1, g_2], \dots, g_n].$$

For any n -central extension

$$1 \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow G \longrightarrow 1$$

There is an epimorphism $G^{\otimes n+1} \rightarrow \gamma_n(H)$ that makes the diagram commute.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G^{\otimes n+1} & \longrightarrow & G^{\otimes n+1} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \lambda_{n+1}^G \\ \gamma_{n+1}(H) & \longrightarrow & \gamma_{n+1}(G) \end{array}$$

To prove Baer's theorem it is sufficient to prove that $G^{\otimes n}$ is finite. For derived series one can consider n -fold wedge product

$$G^{\wedge(n)} = G^{\wedge(n-1)} \wedge G^{\wedge(n-1)}, \quad n > 1$$

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Non-examples of orderable groups: $\mathbb{Z}_n, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}, \mathrm{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R})$, any group with torsion, Hantzsche–Wendt group $\langle x, y \mid x^{-1}y^2xy^2, y^{-1}x^2yx^2 \rangle$.

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s.t.

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A circular order $c : G^3 \rightarrow \{0, \pm 1\} \subset \mathbb{Z}$ is a homogenous 2-cocycle.

Theorem (S. Zeleva, 1975): There is a 1-1 correspondence between homogenous 2-cocycles as above and inhomogenous 2-cocycles satisfying

1. $f(g, h) \in \{0, 1\}$
2. $f(g, g^{-1}) = 1$ for all $g \neq \text{id}$

$$f^{(c)}(g, h) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } g = \text{id} \text{ or } h = \text{id}, \\ 1 & \text{if } gh = \text{id} \text{ and } g \neq \text{id} \\ \frac{1}{2}(1 - c(\text{id}, g, gh)) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$c^{(f)}(g_1, g_2, g_3) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } g_i = g_j \text{ for some } i \neq j \\ 1 - 2f(g_1^{-1}g_2, g_2^{-1}g_3) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Consider a central extension \tilde{G}_f , associated to $[f]$, which is constructed by equipping the set $\mathbb{Z} \times G$ with the operation

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- If $[f] = 0 \in H^2(G)$, then circular orderability implies orderability.
- If $[f] \in H^2(G; \mathbb{Z})$ has order k , then G contains a left-orderable normal subgroup H such that $G/H \cong \mathbb{Z}/k\mathbb{Z}$.

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Let G be a circularly orderable group

- If $H_2(G)$ is torsion-free, then $G \wedge G$ is orderable.
- If $H_2(G)$ is torsion-free, $H_1(G)$ is finitely generated torsion free, then $G \otimes G$ is orderable.

Virtual Knot Groups

By G_K we understand a group, with generators corresponding to arcs and relations defined by crossings

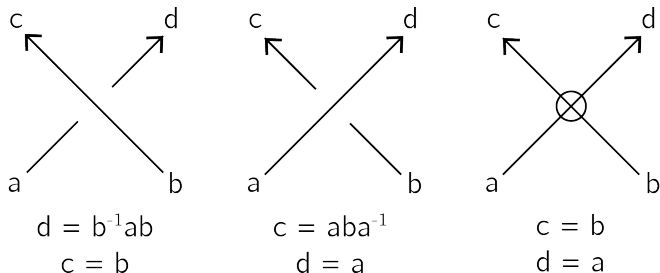


Рис. 1: Relations for each crossing

Deficiency of a group presentation is equal to # generators – # relators.

Theorem (Se-Goo Kim, 1999): Virtual knot groups are precisely groups defined by a Wirtinger presentation of deficiency 0.

It follows that $H_2(G_K)$ is a cyclic group and for virtual knot groups with finite $H_2(G_K)$ circular orderability coincides with orderability.

A. Ichimori computed groups of virtual knots in Jeremy Green's table and showed, that each group is isomorphic either to an infinite cyclic group or to some group G_i from the following list.

$$G_1 = \langle x, y \mid xyx = yxy \rangle$$

$$G_2 = \langle x, a \mid x^{-1}ax = a^{-1}, a^3 = 1 \rangle,$$

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$$G_7 = \langle x, y \mid x^{-1}yx = y^{-1}xy \rangle$$

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$$G_9 = \langle x, y \mid xyxy^{-1}x^{-1} = yx^{-1}yxy^{-1}, x^{-1}y^{-1}xyx = y^{-1}x^{-1}yxy \rangle.$$

Theorem: Groups G_1, G_4, G_7, G_9 are orderable. Groups G_2, G_3, G_5, G_6, G_8 are not circularly orderable.

Theorem(Donadze, García-Martínez, 2021):

1. There is an epimorphism of groups

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Let G be a group such that $\gamma_n(G) = \gamma_{n+1}(G)$ for some n (such as a virtual knot group). Then

$$\ker(\gamma_n \otimes G \rightarrow \gamma_{n+1}(G)) \cong \ker(\gamma_n \wedge G \rightarrow \gamma_{n+1}(G)).$$

If $H_3(G/\gamma_n) = 0$ then

$$\ker(\gamma_n \otimes G \rightarrow \gamma_{n+1}(G)) \subset H_2(G).$$

In particular if $G/\gamma_n = \mathbb{Z}$ then

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Assume that f induces a surjection $f_{ab} : \Gamma_{ab} \rightarrow G_{ab}$. Define the **universal central f -extension** of G as a pair $(U, \eta) \in \text{Ext}^\Gamma(G; H_2(G, \Gamma))$ corresponding to the identity map in $\text{Hom}(H_2(G, \Gamma), H_2(G, \Gamma))$.

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Choosing appropriate $f : \Gamma \rightarrow G$ we have that If $H_2(G, \Gamma)$ is torsion-free, G is circularly orderable, then M is orderable.

Thank you!

Example

$$G_3 = \langle x, y \mid xyx = yxy, y = x^{-3}yx^3 \rangle$$

Consider a quotient by a central subgroup $\langle x^3 \rangle$

$$H = G_3 / \langle x^3 \rangle = \langle x, y \mid x = y^{-1}x^{-1}yxy, x^3, y^3 \rangle$$

Group H is isomorphic to a group $\hat{A}_4 = \langle a, b \mid a^3 = b^3 = (ab)^2 \rangle$ and isomorphism is given by a map

$$x \mapsto a^2, y \mapsto b^4$$

Since G has a cyclic subgroup of finite index and G is not cyclic, there is a torsion in G . If $H_2(G)$ is finite, then G is not circularly orderable.

Example

Suppose $H_2(G) \cong \mathbb{Z}$, so $G \otimes G$ is left-orderable if G is circularly orderable. We have a natural epimorphism

$$G \otimes G \mapsto H \otimes H$$

$H \otimes H$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times Q$, where Q is the quaternion group. For $G \otimes G$ to be torsion-free it should be a Bieberbach group of dimension ≤ 2 and it is not.