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suggests ~~not~~  
changing names of  
various sequences

Dear N.J.A. Sloane

- ~~The rest is probably~~ a "Bart" letter

of your 1973 book "

A Handbook of Integer Sequences

I think a serious terminological problem has arisen. First of all this is, of course, my own opinion. But also please note that

Frank Harary and Edgar Palmer

in their 1973 book Graphical Enumeration

have (wisely) described digraphs not as

"reflexive relations"

but (because no loops are allowed) as "irreflexive

relations. Surely they are correct. The concept

of a loop is properly identified with  $xRx$ , the relation which is reflexive

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Thus we include all of the "connected" digraphs,  
 plus all of the completely trivial digraphs,  
 consisting only of 3 points. But there is some  
 overlap. 0 is counted as "connected"

0 is not counted as connected but  
 we count it in our set of 3 because it  
 is trivial. Of the 16 digraphs for  
 3 points, 13 are connected, and one is  
 trivial  $\{0\}$  = completely trivial

so we are counting 3 or 3

14 or 16

$1 + 199 + 218 = 200 + 218$

$200 + 14 + 3 = 217$ , unfortunately the

digraph 0 is counted twice, once as  
 trivial, once as connected, thus the confusion.

$$1 + 3 + 14 + 200 = 218$$

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I propose a revision of terminology which would make use of the concept of a loop.

You describe symmetric relations as "graphs with loops of length one allowed". I think

such relations, with loops of length one allowed,

should be called symmetric reflexive relations,

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hence, by your terminology, "graphs".

$\frac{n^2+n}{2}$

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The relations usually described as graphical

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when we refer to "digraphs with loops of length one allowed"  
we should say "reflexive relations", in deference to the

loops, ( $x R x$ ), which are allowed

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$\frac{n^2-n}{2}$

Mere "digraphs" then are truly unrestricted, yet less numerous.

In two-dimensional space we have 7 strip patterns for which its dimension is, strictly speaking, (per Coxeter) dimension  $\frac{3}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$ , rather than 2; and we have 17 discrete groups of direct isometries for 2-d space. Thus each of the 7 strip patterns can multiply the 17 group (full) patterns to give us 119 imaginary unity elements, each of which has a conjugate (projection), just as the space is 3-dimensional, with digraphs for 4 or fewer points. The numbers of (connected) digraphs for 1, 2, 3, 4 points

are  $1 + 2 + 13 + 199 = 215$ , so that

$$1 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 1 + 13 + 1 + 199 = 219$$

where 219 is Coxeter's Number of "Purely Geometric" Groups

Groups

3/  $1, 3, 16, 218, 9608, \dots ; 2^{\frac{n^2-n}{2}}$  273

I am now in a position to set out the proposed new terminology

### symmetric graphs

symmetric only (no loops)

W479  $1, 2, 4, 11, 34, 156, \cancel{1044}, 12346 ; 2^{\frac{n^2-n}{2}}$  88

### graphs

symmetric reflexive (loops allowed)

666  $2, 6, 20, 90, 544, \dots ; 2^{\frac{n^2+n}{2}}$

### looped digraphs

reflexive relations (loop allowed)

595  $2, 10, 104, 3044, \dots ; 2^{n^2}$

### digraphs

unrestricted relations (no loops)

273  $1, 3, 16, 218, \dots ; 2^{\frac{n^2-n}{2}}$

Change some names

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We now have  $2 + 6 + 6 = 14$

There are 6 remaining 3 point digraphs,  
which are complicatedly connected but  
not maximally connected

Integrate

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} \frac{i+j+k+ie}{2}, \frac{1-i-j-k-ie}{2} \\ \frac{i+j-k+ie}{2}, \frac{1-j+k-re}{2} \\ \frac{i+j+k-re}{2}, \frac{1-j-k+re}{2} \end{array} \right\} \left. \begin{array}{c} \frac{1+j+k+i(e)}{2}, \frac{1=j+k-i(e)}{2} \\ \frac{1+j-k+i(e)}{2}, \frac{1-j+k-i(e)}{2} \\ \frac{1+j+k-i(e)}{2}, \frac{1-j-k+i(e)}{2} \end{array} \right\}$$

These 6, plus the 218 digraphs for 4 points  
give us the 224, hence we have

$2 + 6 + 6 + 224 = 238$ . Since the 238 imaginary  
units elements exist in 119 pairs, we note that

$$119 = 7(17)$$

These digraphs 1, 3, 16, 218 are extremely useful for work with algebras because if we assume an abstract entity  $(+1) = 1$  then

$1 = +1$  and  $0 = 1 \cdot 1 = -1$  gives us the second unity element which is necessary for real algebra

$$1+3=4 = \left| \{ \pm 1, \pm \sqrt{-1} \} \right|$$

so we have the necessary units for complex (Gaussian) algebra

$$1+3+16=20$$

so we add the units  $(\pm j)$  and  $(\pm k) = \pm(ij)$   
Thus the 16 digraphs for 3 points correspond to

the 16 quaternion unity elements

$$\frac{1}{2} (\pm 1 \pm \sqrt{-1} \pm j \pm k)$$

$$\text{Thus } \pm j, \pm k, +1+3+16 = 24$$

thus we have the 24 unity elements of quaternion algebra

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Some progress seems possible

$\circ$  and  $\circ\circ$  are trivial

$\circ \rightarrow \circ$  and  $\circ \leftarrow \circ$  can be grouped

with  $\circ^\circ \circ$  and  $\circ^\circ \circ$  and  $\circ^\circ \circ$ .

and



of the 16 digraphs for 3 points, we

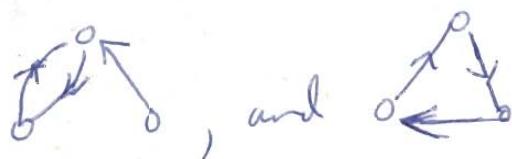
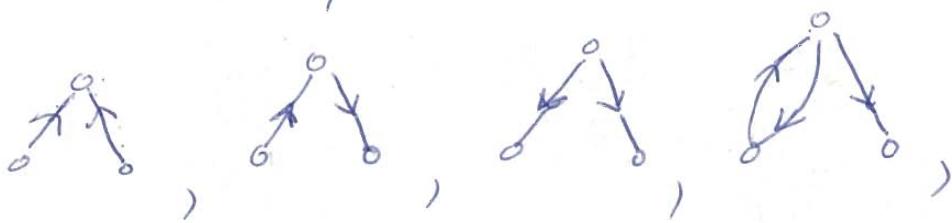
find that 3 are not connected



whereas one is maximally connected



So 12 remain, in 6 pairs, to complete  
our set of 6 we select



the latter is cyclic (clockwise)

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When we come to Octave algebra it is clear that

$$1 + 3 + 16 + 218 = 238$$

We can draw 238 digraphs for

4 or fewer points, so we only need add the

abstract real units,  $\pm 1$ , in order to have

the 240 unity elements necessary for the

octave algebra. It has always been

argued that Octave algebra is Distributive, (Reflexive),

because the Norm of Products is equal to

The Product of Norms

but now we have a form of Octave algebra

which is nondistributive, since we can draw

each unity element in "graphical" form

as digraphs with no loops allowed, and

points unlabelled,

Thus an imaginary unity element not only.

Corresponds to a digraph, it is a digraph,

for 4 or fewer points

$$1 = \sqrt{-1} = i$$

$$3 = j, k, e$$

$$16 = -i, -j, -k, -e$$

$$\pm i^{(e)}, \pm j^{(e)}, \pm k^{(e)}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{r} 4 \\ + 6 \\ \hline + 6 \end{array} \right. \quad \left. \begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 16 \end{array} \right\}$$

plus 6 of the 224

described by Coxeter in his classical (1946) paper on

octaves. The other 218, of the 224, require

4 points for digraphical representation.

Ideally we would wish for a sum

$$2 + 6 + 6 + 224 = 238 \text{ instead of}$$

$$1 + 3 + 16 + 218$$

$$2 = \pm \sqrt{-1}; 6 = \frac{\pm j}{\pm e}; 6 = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pm i^{(e)} \\ \pm j^{(e)} \\ \pm k^{(e)} \end{array} \right\}$$

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By restricting the number of points to

powers of 2, here 1, 2, and 4, we get

$1 + 3 + 2^{18} = 222$ , which is the number

of crystal classes or molecular "point groups"

in 4-d space

corresponding to the 32 such known for 3-d space,

I would predict that in 4-d space the number

of atomic space groups would be the number of

digraphs (no loops) which are possible

for 5 (or perhaps 8) points:

For 5 points we have 9608 digraphs

For 8 points we have 1,793, 359, 192, 848 digraphs

The analogous number for 3-d space is  $2^{18}$ ,

which is close enough to the 219 sum computed by Coxeter.

$$o = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$o \circ = -\sqrt{-1}$$

$$o \rightarrow o = \frac{1 + \sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1 + o}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\overleftarrow{o} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1 + \circ o}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1 - o}{\sqrt{2}}$$

It is only in the case of the quaternions

algebra that we need 4 abstract units,

plus the 20 digraphs for 3 or fewer points.

In the case of the octave algebra we

need only the usual two abstract units,

$\pm 1$ , (of real algebra) plus the 238

digraphs for 4 or fewer points. Thus

each of the 238 digraphs is an imaginary

unity element of octave algebra

It is customary to say that we have  
 $65 + 165 = 230$  atomic space groups  
 in 3-d space. But, as Coxeter has pointed out,  
 since 22 of the 65 exist in 11 enantiomorphic pairs  
 the proper sum from the standpoint of pure geometry  
 is  $54 + 165 = 219$ .

Thus if we have digraphs for any  $(n^2)$   
~~number~~ number of points,  $n = 1, 2$ , then  
 we have  $1 + 218 = 219$ , as required  
 We should look at the 218 digraphs  
 (they are displayed in the 1969 Harary book on  
graph theory)

and see if we can select out 53.

$$1 + 53 + 165 = 1 + 218 = 219$$

Thus the "digraph" for a single point  
 corresponds to a rotation or a translation  
 or a "reflection" but not to a "reflexive" relation —

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Since 6 circles (2-d spheres) can be  
lattice packed about a central equal circle  
in 2-d space ("6 pennies in a table top")

I have always argued that

$$\frac{1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

are "units" of Gaussian (complex) algebra

$$\frac{-1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{-1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{+1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{+1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

along with  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm \sqrt{-1}$

This would be  $\pm 1$  plus 4 digraphs

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \bullet \circ \\ o \rightarrow o \\ \circ \leftarrow o \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \sqrt{-1} \\ -\sqrt{-1} \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array} \right\}$$

No doubt clarification is needed in regard to not only "digraphs" but also in regard to reflections as operations and to reflexivity as an (abstract) relation. Despite numerous books on reflections, including high school texts on the geometry of reflections, the concept of a reflection, in relation to the concept of reflexivity, remains less clear than it should be.

" $x R x$ " implies a loop or a rotation,

$x R x$  implies, algebraically:

$$x (x^{-1} x) = x = x (x x^{-1}) = (x x^{-1}) x \\ = (x^{-1} x) x$$

$$X + (x + (-x)) = X + 0 = X$$

$$X \text{ times } (x \text{ times } x^{-1}) = X \text{ times } 1 = X$$

$$x + y \in ; \quad \{x (y + z) - (xy + xz)\} + x = x$$

$$x + \{x (y + z) - (xy + xz)\} = x$$

over

$$x + \{(x+yz) - (x+y)(x+z)\} = x$$

$$\text{if } x=1 \text{ and } y = \pm\sqrt{-1}, z = \mp\sqrt{-1}$$

$$x \text{ times } \left\{ \frac{x+yz}{(x+y)(x+z)} \right\} = x \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x = 1 \\ y = \pm\sqrt{-1} \\ z = \mp\sqrt{-1} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$x \text{ times } \left\{ \frac{x(y+z)}{xy+xz} \right\} = x$$

$$\left( \frac{1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = +\sqrt{-1}$$

$$\left( \frac{1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 = -\sqrt{-1}$$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\left( \frac{1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( \frac{1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = 1$$

$$\left( \frac{1+\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{-2}} \right) \left( \frac{1-\sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{-2}} \right) = -1$$

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The counting  $1 + 3 + 14 + 200$

includes all trivial digraphs  $\begin{smallmatrix} \circ \\ | \end{smallmatrix}, \begin{smallmatrix} \circ & \circ \\ | & | \end{smallmatrix}, \begin{smallmatrix} \circ & \circ \\ ) & ) \end{smallmatrix}, \begin{smallmatrix} \circ & \circ \\ ) & ) \end{smallmatrix}$ )

plus all connected digraphs. Probably the list  
of connected digraphs should not include  $\{\circ\}$ .

$$\text{So } 0 + 2 + 13 + 199 = 214$$

$$1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = \underline{4}$$
$$218$$

In that case we can match

which  
218 digraphs ~~with~~ are trivial  $\underline{\text{or}}$  connected

with 218 digraphs (connected or not) for 4 points

Note that if we have an even number of points, <sup>the</sup>

connected digraphs are  $2 + 199 = 31 + 90 + 65 + 15$

$$= \sum_{b=1}^4 \left( \sum_{n=0}^{b+1} \frac{(-1)^n (b+1-n)!}{n! (b+1-n)!} \right)$$

$$= S(6,2) + S(6,3) + S(6,4) + S(6,5)$$

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Clearly we have  $2(2 + 10 + 104) = 232$ .

The other eight are abstract, such as

~~$\pm \pm \pm$~~

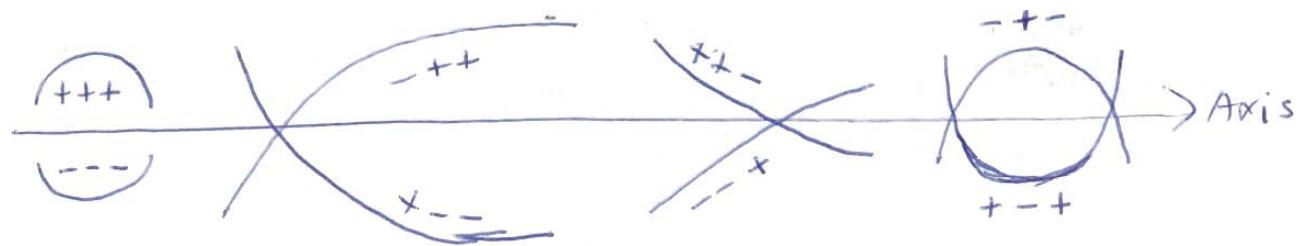
$+1, +\sqrt{-1}, +j, +k, +e, +i(e), +j(e), +k(e)$

The eight permutations two things (+ and -) taken 3 at a time

Thus with 3 moments or points minimally required to

establish orientation or curvature we have 8 forms (abstract)

in 4 pairs



$$\begin{aligned} \text{1} & \quad +1 = +++ \\ & \quad +\sqrt{-1} = --- \\ & \quad j = -++ \\ & \quad k = +-- \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} e &= ++1 \\ i(e) &= --+ \\ j(e) &= -+- \\ k(e) &= +-+ \end{aligned}$$

Cheers! John Taylor

These are the non-trivial, nonvoid disjoint  
 subsets for  $b = 3!$  labelled elements distributed  
 into unlabelled (symmetric, transitive, reflexive) subsets  
 digraphs are not symmetric  
not transitive  
not reflexive

So we see that, subject to conditions  
 specified above, we can remove the labels  
 from all 6 of a set of  $3! = 1(3) = 6$  points  
 and remove 2 of the 4 points and then  
 permit digraphical (connected) RELATIONS,  
 which turn out to be UNRESTRICTED,  
 neither symmetric nor transitive nor reflexive —  
 (no loops allowed). — for 4 or fewer  
 (even) numbers of points, if the number is odd,  
 we get the 13 lattice packed spheres, in digraphical form  
 all 13 digraphs are connected.

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$$2^3 + 2(2+10+104) = 2(4) + 2(2+10+104)$$

Each such looped digraph represents a "pair"  
(a conjugate pair) of algebraic elements, because

every left loop (counterclockwise) ↪

is similar to a right loop ↤ (clockwise)

For 2 points the 10 relations have

10 enantiomorphs

$\circ \circ$	$\circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \circ$
$\circ \circ$	$\circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \circ$
$\circ \circ$	$\circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \circ$
$\circ \circ \rightarrow \circ \circ$	$\circ \circ \rightarrow \circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \circ \rightarrow \circ \circ$
$\circ \circ \curvearrowright \circ \circ$	$\circ \circ \curvearrowright \circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \circ \curvearrowleft \circ \circ$
$\circ \rightarrow \circ$	$\circ \rightarrow \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \leftarrow \circ$
$\circ \curvearrowright \circ$	$\circ \curvearrowright \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \curvearrowleft \circ$
$\circ \curvearrowright \circ \circ$	$\circ \curvearrowright \circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \curvearrowleft \circ \circ$
$\circ \rightarrow \circ \circ$	$\circ \rightarrow \circ \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \leftarrow \circ \circ$
$\circ \rightarrow \circ$	$\circ \rightarrow \circ$	$\times$	$\circ \leftarrow \circ$

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$2+13=15$  equals 3-1 simplex (tetrahedron)  
including the centre -

Now if we think of just  $2^{32}$  of the  $2^{38}$

digraphs or unity elements, and if we think

of them as existing in 116 pairs, then

each such pair is represented by the

reflexive relations (loops of lengths one allowed)

for 1, 2, 3 unlabelled points

$$2 + 10 + 10 = 116$$

The 8 extra units  $8 + 2^{32} = 240 = 120$  pairs

exist in 4 pairs, as shown above

$$\pm 1 \quad \pm \sqrt{-1}$$

$$\frac{+1 \pm \sqrt{-1}}{\sqrt{2}} \quad , \quad \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-1}}{2}$$

2<sup>o</sup>  
So we have seen how a theory of digraphs,  
with or without loops, can be added to a

Theory of abstract algebraic "elements"

such as  $\pm 1$ ,

to give us the 240 unity elements of the  
(Degen - Graves - Cayley) "Octave" Algebra,

whilst the number of unlabelled points

decreases from 4 to 3,

$$1 + 2 + 10 = 13$$

$$2 + 4 + 20 = 26$$

$$2 + 2 + 10 + 2(1 + 2 + 10 + 104) = 248$$

$$(10 - 2) + 2(2 + 10 + 104) = 240$$

The idea that a unity element in an algebra should  
be a digraph (looped or not), on a few points,  
adds great geometric clarity to algebra.



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To N.J.A. Sloane,

The terminology used  
in your Handbook of Integer Sequences (1973)

is not only in conflict with such texts on graph

theory as that of Harary but also is in conflict with

common sense. For example Harary suggests

that digraphs are irreflexive rather than

reflexive insofar as we refer to digraphs

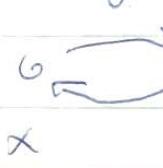
which do not include loops i.e. to your

series  $1, 3, 16, 218, 9608, \dots$

After all, since a reflexive relation relates

$x \rightarrow x$  : i.e.  $x R x$ , it is a loop

which most directly relates  $x$  to  $x$ .

The figure  allows  $x$  to indirectly relate to  $x$ , but only via  $y$ .

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### The series

1 3 9 33 139 718 4535

1 3 7 18 52 208 1252

2 15 87 510 3283

suggest that the graphs for 5 or fewer points

form a subsets  $1, 4, 5 \geq 3, 1, 9$  the possible

topologies for 5 points

1 4 13 46 185 903 5438

1 3 7 18 52 208 1252

1 6 28 133 695 4186  
863

7 35 168 863 5049

34 154 874  $7! + 7 + 2$

$\sum_{k=0}^4 k!$   $\sum_{k=0}^5 k!$   $= \sum_{k=0}^6 k!$   $1! + 2! + 3! + 7!$

$$28 + 133 + 695 + 4186 = 2! + 7! = 5042$$

856  
161 856 5042

Thus the proper word and concept to describe

$xRy \Rightarrow yRx$  which is, as you say,

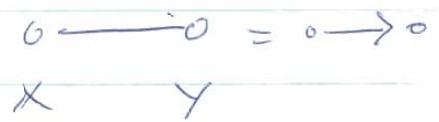
and as all seem to agree, the symmetric relation

I have no quarrel with the word and concept of  
transitivity to describe

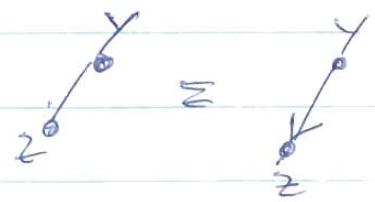
$$xRy \text{ and } yRz \Rightarrow xRz$$

but all this implies to me, graphically,

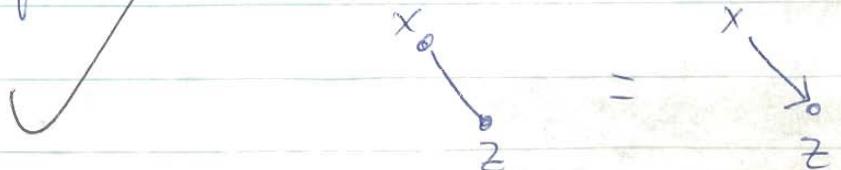
is that if there is a line from  $x$  to  $y$



and a line from  $y$  to  $z$



that this implies a line from  $x$  to  $z$



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After much work I have concluded that

we can identify series with RELATIONS implied

in a rigorous and unambiguous manner,

for unlabeled (undistinguished) points

95 ✓ 2, 10, 104, 3044; 291, 968 ; symmetric reflexive  
(looped digraphs)

1930 ✓ 1 3 9 33 139 ; symmetric transitive  
transitive reflexive

666 ✓ 2 6 20 90 540 ; reflexive; looped graph

273 ✓ 1 3 16 218 9608 ; symmetric; digraph

88 ✓ 1 2 4 11 34 ; unrestricted  
(or restricted)

1      4      13      46      185      903      54 38

{ 1      3      9      33      139      718      4535

  1      2      4      11      34      156      1044

  1      5      22      105      562      3491

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3-1=2      9-6      33-28      139-133      718-695      4535-6

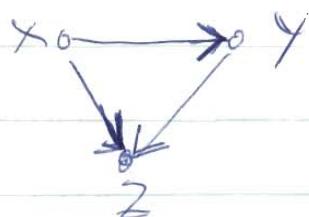
= 3      = 5      = 6      = 23      = 349

=  $\frac{1+3+9+33}{2}$

$\frac{718}{2}$

$\frac{349}{2}$

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$$+\sqrt{-1}$$

$$-\sqrt{-1}$$

$$-1$$

inversion is the operation which relates  $x$  and  $y$

because  $\pm\sqrt{-1}$  are not only reverse but also inverse  
in respect to each other

When this transitivity exists, it is exemplified

by associativity (metric transitivity), and

$$xy + z = (x + z)(y + z) = \frac{(xy + yx)}{x}$$

$$(x + y)z = (xz) + (yz) = \frac{xy - yx}{x}$$

Suppose  $x=1$ ;  $y=\sqrt{-1}$ ;  $z=\sqrt{0}$ , such that  $z^2=0$

Then  $xy = yx$ ,  $yz = zx$ ,  $xz = zx$

$$x(y+z) = xy + xz = y + z$$

~~$x(xy) =$~~

$$(xy)z = y$$

$$; x(yz) = y = (yz)x$$

$$(xy)z = (yz)x$$

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$$4 + \cancel{6} + 21 + 165 = 196 = 14^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \ 12 + 42 + 165 \\ \hline 62 \end{array} = 227$$

$$3 + 8 + 12 + 42 + 165 = 5(2) \{3+8+12\}$$

Consider 5 operations, 3 or fewer points

$$5(4 + 42) = 230$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 + 42 + 165 \\ 46 \quad \frac{46}{211} \end{array}$$

Translations, rotations, reflections

plus 2 types of screw displacement

5 (3 zero points + 2 points)

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$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{0}$$

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

$$l = \sqrt{+1}$$

$$(\varepsilon + i)(\varepsilon + i) = 0 + 2i(\varepsilon) - 1$$

$$= 2(2) - 1$$

$$= -1 + i(2) = (i+\varepsilon)(i+\varepsilon)$$

$$(\varepsilon + 1)(\varepsilon + 1) = 0 + 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$(1 + \varepsilon)(1 + \varepsilon) = 1 + 2 + 0 = 3$$

$$(1 + i)(1 + i) = 2i$$

$$(x + 1)(x + 1)$$

$$(i + \varepsilon)(i + \varepsilon) = -1 + 2i + 0$$

$$(1 + i + \varepsilon)(1 + i + \varepsilon) = \frac{1 + i + \varepsilon}{-1 - i} \cancel{\times} i\varepsilon$$

$$2 + i(4) = 4i + 2 = \frac{\varepsilon}{0} \frac{\varepsilon i}{20} \frac{\varepsilon i + 0}{+2\varepsilon + 2\varepsilon}$$

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So first only the case of two points,

dimension (-1) is excluded, whereas

dimensions (-1), 0 and +1 are included

The 4 sets of rules are

I graphical set — line ---- broken line

II digraphical set → directed line = dual  $\leftrightarrow$

III looped graph ① circle (neutral rotation)

IV looped digraph ② directed circumference

(directed rotation)

It is possible to get 154 relations, thus,

for zero, one and three points

and 165 relations for two and three points

$$165 + 6 + 4 = 175 = \{p(15) - 1\} = \{p(10+3+2)\} - 1$$

$$154 + (6+3+2) = 165 = 4 + 6 + 144 + 2+3+6$$

The 10 maximal relations on 2 points can be explained

$$(2+i4) = \sqrt{(2+i4)(2+i4)}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 + 16i - 16}$$

$$= \sqrt{-12 + 16i}$$

$$(R+iR+\varepsilon R)(S+iS+\varepsilon S)$$

$$RS + i\cancel{RS} + \varepsilon RS$$

$$-RS + iRS \cancel{\phantom{0}}$$

$$+0 \quad \varepsilon RS \quad \varepsilon RS$$

$$\underline{+0 \quad \varepsilon RS \quad \varepsilon RS}$$

$$i(4RS) + RS = RS + i(4RS)$$

$$(A+iB+\varepsilon C)(x+iY+\varepsilon Z) =$$

$$AX + iAY + \varepsilon AZ$$

$$-BY + iBX$$

$$i\varepsilon BZ + \varepsilon CX$$

$$+0 \quad \varepsilon iCY$$

$$\underline{+0 \quad \varepsilon iCY}$$

$$i(BY+BZ+CY) + \varepsilon(AZ+CX) = \sqrt{(-)(X)} + \int^0$$

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The arrow indicates whether the limit (being zero) is being approached from a positive ~~center~~ (clockwise) or negative (counterclockwise) direction.

Thus the theory of discrete groups of isometries in 3-d space is considerably simplified when we draw precise

zeros or limit points for each group.

In the simplest case  $11(14) = 154$

we see that if we have relations defined

(abstractly or concretely) for zero points and

4 sets of rules, then we get

$$4 + 6 + 144 = 154 = 11(14)$$

Clearly

$$\{(A+iB+\varepsilon C)(x+iy+cz)\}^2 = -\{(Ay+Bx+Bz+cy)^2\}$$

$$= -\{(Ay + B(y+z) + cy)^2\}$$

$$= -[\{y(A+c) + B(y+z)\}^2]$$

We don't really have transitivity unless we have 3 units which behave in 3 distinct

trajectories. A unit  $\omega(B)$  is the

square root of any negative number of the form

$$-N = -\{B^2\}$$

and a unit  $\varepsilon \beta$  is the

square root of any form of zero, such as

$$\omega(N) = \omega(B^2)$$

where 384 is the maximum number

of linear spaces in reference to a single

(planar) figure in the set given on p 16

of your book. Coxeter's ideas can

thus be refined still further, we can argue

that we have just  $27 + 165 = 192$  pure groups

(geometrically) when we speak of discrete groups of

isometries in 3-d space

$$27 = 3 + 24$$

$$165 = 3 + 162 = 3 + 3(54)$$

$$192 = 6 + 186 = 3 + 27(7) = 6 + 6(31)$$

These can be regarded, also, as 384 discrete groups

in 192 enantiomorphous pairs. When a point is represented by an arrow, it is a limit point)

a dual unit  $A + iB$

is a square root of

$$(A + iB)(A + iB) = A^2 - B^2 + i(2AB)$$

$$= C + i(2AB)$$

$$C = A^2 - B^2$$

$$(A+B)(A-B)$$

$$= (A+B)(A-B) + i(2AB)$$

That is  $A + iB$  can be a square root of any

$$\text{Real Number } R = C = (A+B)(A-B)$$

Plus  $i\sqrt{2AB}$

$$(5 + i10)^2 = -75 + i(100)$$

$$(10 + i5)^2 = +75 + i(100)$$

The real part of  $(A + iB)^2$  is negative or positive

depending on whether  $B > A$  or  $A > B$

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In the case of the 10 pairs of looped digraph

relations I did not draw all the details,

but I am sure it is clear as to how

the symbolism and structure is reversed,

giving  $(2^2)^2 + (2^2)$   
~~oooooooooooo~~

Thus 54 groups in just 2 points ~~are~~ 1 point

wanted in this manner.

When we consider the 165 groups

in 2 or 3 points, the 21 referring to

2 points are written with an extra

(isolated) point on each background.

If we paired the 165 we would get

$$165 + 165 + 54 = 384 = 2(4)6(8) \\ = 3(2^7)$$

$$(A + \varepsilon B)^2 = (A + \varepsilon B)(A + \varepsilon B) = A^2 + 2AB$$

$$A + \varepsilon \{AB\}^2$$

Finally

$(A + iB + \varepsilon C)$  is the square root of

$A^2 + 2iB + B^2$

$$(A + iB + \varepsilon C)(A + iB + \varepsilon C) = A^2 + iAB + AC$$

$$+ iAB - B^2$$

$$+ iBC$$

$$- iCB + \cancel{\varepsilon A}$$

$$= A^2 - B^2 + 2AC + i(2AB) + i(2BC)$$

$$A + iB + \varepsilon C = \sqrt{A^2 - B^2 + 2AC + i\{(2AB) + i(2BC)\}}$$

This is complicated but can be any real

$$\text{number plus } i \{ (2AB + 2BC) \} = i \{ 2B(A+C) \}$$

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I will draw the 54 relations in 27 pairs

translation

~~rotation~~

graph

-

rotation

digraph

screw displacement



o



looped graph

glide reflection



looped digraph



{rotatory reflection or inversion}

{reflection}

These are six pairs of one point relations

The 21 pairs of two point relations are

00 00 2

graph

+

2

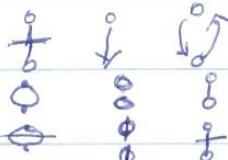


010 0->0 0->0 3

digraph

+

3

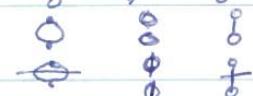


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looped graph

+

6



10 looped digraph

+

10

Q Q Q Q a Q Q .  
cc cc cc c ; cc cc c ; cc cc c ;

Q Q . Q . .  
) )

Q Q

reverse all of the  
symbolism + structure

G -> R cc . G .  
cc R cc ; {cc,cc}, c , cc

Q . . . . .  
) )

a -> R . . . .  
cc, R, c ) cc c c ) cc cc

R c , cc )  
c )

✓

G ->  
cc R c

That is  $(A + iB + \epsilon C)$  is the square root

of a complex number, just as is  $(A + iB)$

whereas  $(A + \epsilon B)$  is the square root of the

real number  $A^2 + 2AB$

Note that  $(A + iB + \epsilon C)$

is the square root of a complex number

for which the imaginary part is even

not odd !!!!

Note that

$A^2 + AB$  is a narrow set of real numbers

whereas

$$A^2 + 2AC + i\{2B(A+C)\}$$

reaches a wider class of reals

plus extra imaginary, hence a wide class  
of complex numbers

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we have 32 which are known to exist in

11 enantiomorphous pairs, so that Coxeter

argues in favor of just 54 such groups.

It is, thus, easy for the rest of us to see

that these 54 groups exist in 27 pairs,

and we allow each of the 6 relations on

a single point to have an analogy which

is, however, a relation between 2 points

This leaves 15 relations between 2 points

which have no analogys for relations on a single point

$$6 + 6 + 6 + 6 + 15 + 15 = 54.$$

That is, we simply allow each of 27 relations

to have an enantiomorphous relation,

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The maximum number of relations amongst  
3 unlabelled (undistinguished points) is

$$104 = 2^{\binom{3}{2}} = 2^3 E(3) = 2^3(1+2+10)$$

$$= 2^3 \{U(0) + U(1) + U(2)\}$$

$$= C(3) \{U(0) + U(1) + U(2)\}$$

$$U(0) = 1$$

The minimum number of relations amongst  
3 unlabelled points is 4

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 4 & 16 & 20 & 104 \\ 11 & 41 & 84 & \\ -4 & & 88 & \\ \hline 11 & 218 & 90 & \end{array}$$

$$4, 20, 16, 104$$

$$11 \quad 90 \quad 218 \quad 3044$$

$$11 \quad 90 \quad 218 \quad 3044$$

$$79 \quad 128 \quad 2826$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 | 1413 \\ 3 | 471 \\ \hline 157 \end{array}$$

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If we allow 2 or 3 points, but not one,

$$\text{our total becomes } 21 + 144 = 165 = 3(5)!!$$

If we allow 1 or 2 points but not 3 our total becomes

27. It is customary in discussing the

theory of isometry groups in 3-d space to refer

to 230 discrete groups, of which 165

include not only direct isometries but also

opposite (reflection) isometries. Thus these 165

groups are called mixed isometry groups, by which

we mean that they involve relations between

2 or 3 points. There are 65 discrete groups

of direct isometries which are generally recognized, but amongst these 65)

255

4532

15(17)

2266

47060

3(5)17

4

1133

235 ~~40~~

11770

$$5895 = \cancel{5}(117)$$

$$\underline{2885} = 5(577)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \overline{)171} \\ 17 \quad \underline{-} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

11 (107)

282,360  
141 180  
70590

$$\begin{array}{r}
 & 1660 \\
 17) \overline{282360} & 93 \\
 17 & \\
 \hline
 112 & \\
 102 & 47060 \\
 \hline
 103 & \\
 102 & 23530 \\
 \hline
 16 & \\
 5) \overline{11765} & \\
 & = 5(\text{2853})
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3 \overline{)35295} \\
 5 \overline{)11765} \\
 \hline
 13 \quad \boxed{2353} \\
 \hline
 181
 \end{array}$$

$$(13^2 + 13 - 1) \quad 3(2^3)5(13)$$

$$B^3 + B^2 - B \quad (3) \quad 2^3(5)$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 2 & 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 10 \end{array} \quad \left. \right\} = (21)$$

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consequently we run up a total  
of 3363 relations. For other  
polytopes the analogous product would be

$$59(62) = 3487$$

$$22(26) = \overset{52}{\circ} = 572$$

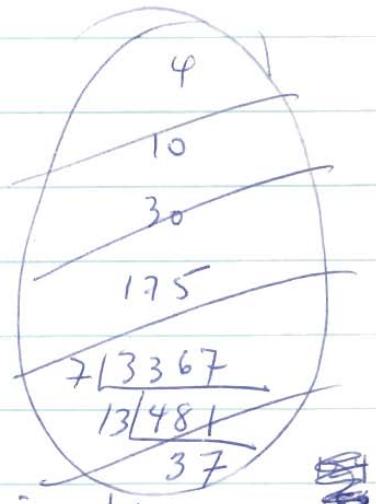
$$23(26) = 598$$

$$11(14) = 154 = 2p(12)$$

$$\text{Note} \quad 6 \quad 21 \quad 144$$

$$27 \quad 171$$

$$(26) \quad \begin{array}{r} -154 \\ \hline = 17 \end{array}$$



A cube or icoshedron, with a center, is the

sum of possible relations for 3 or fewer

points

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With just one point and 4 sets of rules

we have 6 possible relations

With two points and 4 sets of rules we have

21 possible relations

With three points and 4 sets of rules we have

144 possible relations

With 4 points and 4 sets of rules we have

3363 possible relations

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 + 21 + 144 + 3363 \\ 27 \quad 171 \quad \underline{171} \end{array}$$

$$2 \overline{)3534} = 2(3)14(31)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \overline{)1767} \\ 19 \overline{)589} \end{array}$$

$$3(4) \cdot 20(32)$$

57 (62)

31

9~~60~~

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

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Clearly this set of all possible relations amongst 4 or fewer points can be described as follows. Consider a dodecahedron, which has,

$$20 \text{ vertices} + 30 \text{ edgelines} + 12 \text{ faces} = 62$$

i.e. 62 components. Since each face is a pentagon (having 5 edgelines) we think

of the face being preserved but its edgelines

not counted (hence remaining invariant)

Varying thereafter we have 20 vertices,  
+ 25 edgelines + 12 faces, hence 57 components  
varying. Each varying component is allowed to  
become a transformer over the entire set of 62,

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$$5049 = 3(1683) = 9(561)$$

$$= 27(187)$$

$$= 3^3(11)17$$

$$5049 = (0+0!)! + (1+1!)! + (1+2!) + (1+3!)!$$

$$(1+0)! \quad (1+1)! + (1+2)! + (1+(0+1+2)!)!$$

$$(1+0)! \quad (1+(0+1)!)! + (1+(0+2)!)! + (1+(0+1+2)!)!$$

three pairings  $0, 1, 2$  and if we combine them 1 at a time we use only zero if we combine them 2 at a time we omit the combination  $1+2$  (but is, ~~we are not allowed~~, we use only zero pairing  $0, 1$  and  $0, 2$ )

When, however, we combine 3 at a time, we

get  $0+1+2 = 3$  which is the same result

as  $1+2$  as a pairing, the only omitted pairing

The requirement is that we are to use only the 4 or 8 possible combinations of  $0, 1$ , and  $2$  which include zero so,

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 950 & 101 & 26 & 9 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\
 \underline{996} & \underline{143} & \underline{31} & \underline{10} & \underline{4} & \underline{2} & \underline{1} \\
 46 & 42 & 5 & 1 & & & \\
 \hline
 & & \brace{5} & \brace{1} & \brace{4} & \brace{2} & \brace{1}
 \end{array}$$

$$46 - 42 = 4$$

$$5 - 1 = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1051 & 35 & 6 \\
 \underline{1139} & \underline{41} & \underline{6} \\
 88 & 6 & 6
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 950 & 101 & 26 & 9 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\
 \underline{853} & \underline{112} & \underline{21} & \underline{6} & \underline{2} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\
 \underline{97} & -11 & 5 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\
 97 & 0 & 11 & 6 & 3 & 1 & &
 \end{array}$$

For 6 or fewer points the number of connected graphs (143) is precisely equal to the number of geometries for 7 or fewer points (143)

provided the number of points is larger than one

$$G_2(7) = C_{\text{g}_2}(6) = 143 = \sum_2^7 G(s) = \sum_1^6 C_{\text{g}}(s)$$

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Saying it another way, we omit  $1^2$ ,  $1+2$ , and the empty set

all of those combinations (all 4) which don't explicitly display a zero = 0

The sum must have 2 or more parts if we are to have the

factorial of it

$$(1 + S_0) ! = (1+0)! = 1!$$

$$(1 + S_1) ! = (1 + (0+1)!) = (1+1)! = 2!$$

$$(1 + S_2) ! = (1 + (0+1+2)!) = (1+2)! = 3!$$

$$(1 + S_3) ! = (1 + (0+1+2+3)!) = (1+3)! = 7!$$

$$1 + 5049 = 5050 = \frac{100^2 + 100}{2} = \sum_{b=0}^3 (1+b)! =$$

$$100 = 5! - 4! + 2! + 1! + 0!$$

$$= \{5! - 2!\} - \{4! + 2!\}$$

Some regular or semi-regular pattern exists

In this comparison of series

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2, 8, 42, 47

It seems worthwhile to make a serious

effort to match geometries for for  $s+1$  points

with graphs for  $s$  points ; but if we should

seek some compromise to make the totals come

out precisely . In the case of connected graphs

$$1 + 1 + 2 + 6 + 21 + 112 + 853$$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad 10 \quad 31 \quad 143 \quad 996$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2 \quad 4 \quad \underline{11} \quad \frac{34}{1} \quad \underline{\frac{156}{13}} \quad \underline{\frac{1044}{48}} \\ \end{array}$$

$$= 3(3+13)$$

The total number of connected graphs for

5 or fewer points is only slightly less than the

number of graphs for just 5 points

2.7

$$\begin{array}{r}
 & 6 \\
 1 & -1 \\
 \hline
 0 & 4
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 28 \\
 -3 \\
 \hline
 25
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 133 \\
 -4 \\
 \hline
 129
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 695 \\
 -5 \\
 \hline
 690
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 4186 \\
 -6 \\
 \hline
 4180
 \end{array}$$

$6^2 = 2^2 = 5^2$      $3(43) = 5(138)$      $10(69) = \sum_{n=1}^{17} F_n$

$$\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \quad ; \quad \beta = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$2(3)5(23)$$

$$F_n = \frac{\alpha^n - \beta^n}{\alpha - \beta}$$

$$\alpha - \beta = \sqrt{5}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1 + \alpha - \beta}{1 + \alpha + \beta} \quad ; \quad \beta = \frac{1 - \alpha - \beta}{1 + \alpha + \beta}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha + \beta + \alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta + \alpha + \beta} \quad ; \quad \beta = \frac{\alpha + \beta - \alpha - \beta}{\alpha + \beta + \alpha + \beta}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1 & 6 \\
 -1 & -1 \\
 \hline
 1 & 5
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 28 \\
 -2 \\
 \hline
 26
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 133 \\
 -3 \\
 \hline
 130
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 695 \\
 -9 \\
 \hline
 691
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 4186 \\
 -5 \\
 \hline
 4181
 \end{array}$$

$= 5(26)$      $a \text{ prime}$      $= F(19)$

$$= 5^2(26) + 5^2 + 42$$

$$= 5^2(26) + 26 + 5 + 5 + 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 5^2(26) + 26 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 0 \\
 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\
 \hline
 651 \quad 678 \quad 684 \quad 690 + 691
 \end{array}$$

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Also if  $s=5$  then the total number  
of graphs plus points for 5 or fewer points is

$T(s)$  i.e. the number of topologies for 5 points

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 11 & 34 & 156 & 1044 & 12346 \\
 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & \frac{5}{2} & \frac{26}{8} & \frac{101}{\cancel{156}} & \frac{950}{\cancel{1044}} & \underline{\underline{11051}} \\
 & & & & & & 55 & 94 & = F(11) + F(5)
 \end{array}$$

The number of graphs for 5 points is always

$G(s) \geq G(s+1)$ , where  $G(s+1)$  is the

number of Geometries for  $(s+1)$  points

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 11 & 34 & 156 & 1044 & 12346 \\
 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 9 & 26 & & 950 & \\
 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 6 & 21 & 112 & 853 & 11117 \\
 \textcircled{1 2 3 5} & \textcircled{11 32} & & & 101 & \textcircled{986} & & & 11051 \\
 \hline
 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & & 11 & 97 & & 66
 \end{array}$$

Geometries for  $(s+1)$  points are similar to  
connected graphs for  $s$  points

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For those who still think that the simplest graphs are symmetric reflexive, the pattern of comparison between transitive reflexive and symmetric reflexive will be considered as a pair relation pattern comparison; but I regard the simplest graphs as neither symmetric nor reflexive, they are simply topologies which have become not only irreflexive but <sup>also</sup> intransitive. In particular they have become intransitive. I have your doubts as to topologies being reflexive (ever), because they don't have loops, whereas loops would imply  $x R x$  which is reflexivity —

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$$2, 4, 9, 26, 101, 950 = 2(475)$$

Clearly the total number of ~~of~~  $n$  points graphs plus posets is similar to the

Total number of possible geometries for  $(n+2)$  points if  $n \leq 5$ . If  $n=6$  then this sum is  $\approx \frac{1}{2} G(8)$

$$G = 2 \ 4 \ 9 \ 26 \ 101 \ 950$$

$$S + AS = 2 \ 4 \ 9 \ \underline{27} \ \underline{97} \ 2(474) + 2 \\ +1 \ -4$$

8-d space, 950 geometries

474 A+AS for  $n \leq 6$

7-d space, 101 " "

97 A+AS for  $n \leq 5$

6-d space, 26 " "

27 A+AS for  $n \leq 4$

5-d space, 9 "

9 "  $n \leq 3$

4-d space, 4 "

4 A+AS  $n \leq 2$

3-d space, 2 "

2 "  $n \leq 1$

$$950 = 2 + 2 \Sigma$$

$$101 = 4 + \Sigma$$

$$26 = -1 + \Sigma$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 9 = \Sigma \\ 5 = \Sigma \end{array} \right\}$$

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At most the topologies are transitive  
and a metric topology is possessed of metric  
transitivity, i.e. associativity — ✓

Cannot accept the suggestion that topologies  
are reflexive. If they are not merely transitive  
then they are symmetric transitive,

Addition is, for example,  
symmetric transitive (because addition  
is not "distributive" i.e. reflexive with respect

To multiplication — Topology is only ✓

non-metric in the sense of being based upon

an addition, an accumulation, which is not  
distributive with respect to multiplication.

over ✓

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The one thing which is clear is that graph

Theorists must meet again, soon, to agree upon definitions of the meanings of geometrical representations of such RELATIONS as symmetry, transitivity and reflexivity.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1 & 2 & 4 & 11 & 34 & 156 & 1044 & 12346 \\ \hline 1 & 2 & 5 & 16 & 63 & 378 & 2045 & \\ 2 & \cancel{4} & \cancel{9} & \cancel{27} & \cancel{97} & \cancel{474} & \cancel{3089} & \\ 2 & 6 & 15 & 42 & 139 & 613 & 3702 & \\ \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{9} \swarrow & \textcircled{33} & & \textcircled{718} & \textcircled{4535} & \\ 1 & 4 & 13 & 46 & 185 & 903 & 5438 & \end{array}$$

$$1+3=4$$

$$4+9=13$$

$$2+4+27=33$$



$$0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad 29 \quad 162 \quad 1001$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 6 & 35 & 197 & 1198 & = 6^4 - 3^4 - 2^4 - 1^4 \\ \frac{4}{-3} & \frac{-12}{-6} & \frac{-46}{34} = -11 & \frac{-185}{156} = 12 & \frac{-1252}{1044} = (-54) & \\ & & 1 & 41 & 154 & \\ & & & & & = 62 \end{array}$$

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143 is the number of 7th powers required

To represent any number as a sum of 7th powers

or to represent any number as a sum of

1	fist power	1
4	squares	5
9	cubes	19
19	biquadratics	33
37	fifth powers	70
73	sixth powers	143

It is therefore fascinating that if we have  
more than 1 point but less than 8, the  
total number of possible geometries is 143,

which is also the number of connected graphs  
if the number of points is 6 or fewer : 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 —

We have plenty of questions to ask, still,

about representations by figures of

logical relations,

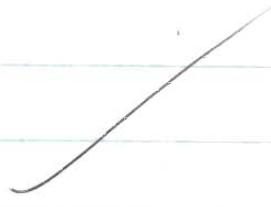
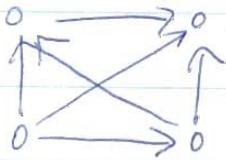
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of 16 proposed digraphs, only 1 has

the property that  $xRy \Rightarrow yRx$

Can logical relations exist even when they

cannot be rigorously represented in graphical form?



The various figures are simply partitions

which build up to the full figure, with

a number of lines  $f(p) = l$  such that

$l > p$ , which represents all of the possibilities

for logical relations on  $p$  points,

according to 1 or 4 or 5 or 6 sets of rules —

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Dear Mr. Tangen:

I am sorry it has taken me so long to reply to your two very interesting letters. However, for the last six months I have been working on different problems altogether, and have had very little time for the Handbook of Integer Sequences.

I greatly appreciate the time and effort you have put into those letters, and I shall try to reply to them as best I can.

Concerning the definitions of graphs and relations. I tried to follow standard terminology, which of course is not always logically correct, and you are right in pointing this out. But I do not altogether agree with your proposed changes. For example, you propose that sequence 646 be called graphs. This conflicts with the almost universal convention in graph theory, that a graph should contain no loops. When the time comes for a second printing (or edition) of the book, I shall re-examine these names more carefully in the light of your letter.

Your discussion of the relationship between the sequence 1,3,16,218,... and various algebras is extremely interesting, although I am not sure I completely understand what you are saying. Have you written to Coxeter about this?

(Later) I'm sorry, although I have tried once more to follow your argument, but I am afraid it is over my head.

It is clear, is it not, that the number of relations with any given property in which every point is reflexive



is the same as the member with the same property in which every node is irreflexive? For in the first case there is a loop at every point, while in the second case there is a loop at no point. So the numbers are equal. It is for this reason that I did not pay too much attention to the distinction between reflexive and irreflexive relations.

Thank you again for taking the trouble to write to me.

Yours sincerely,

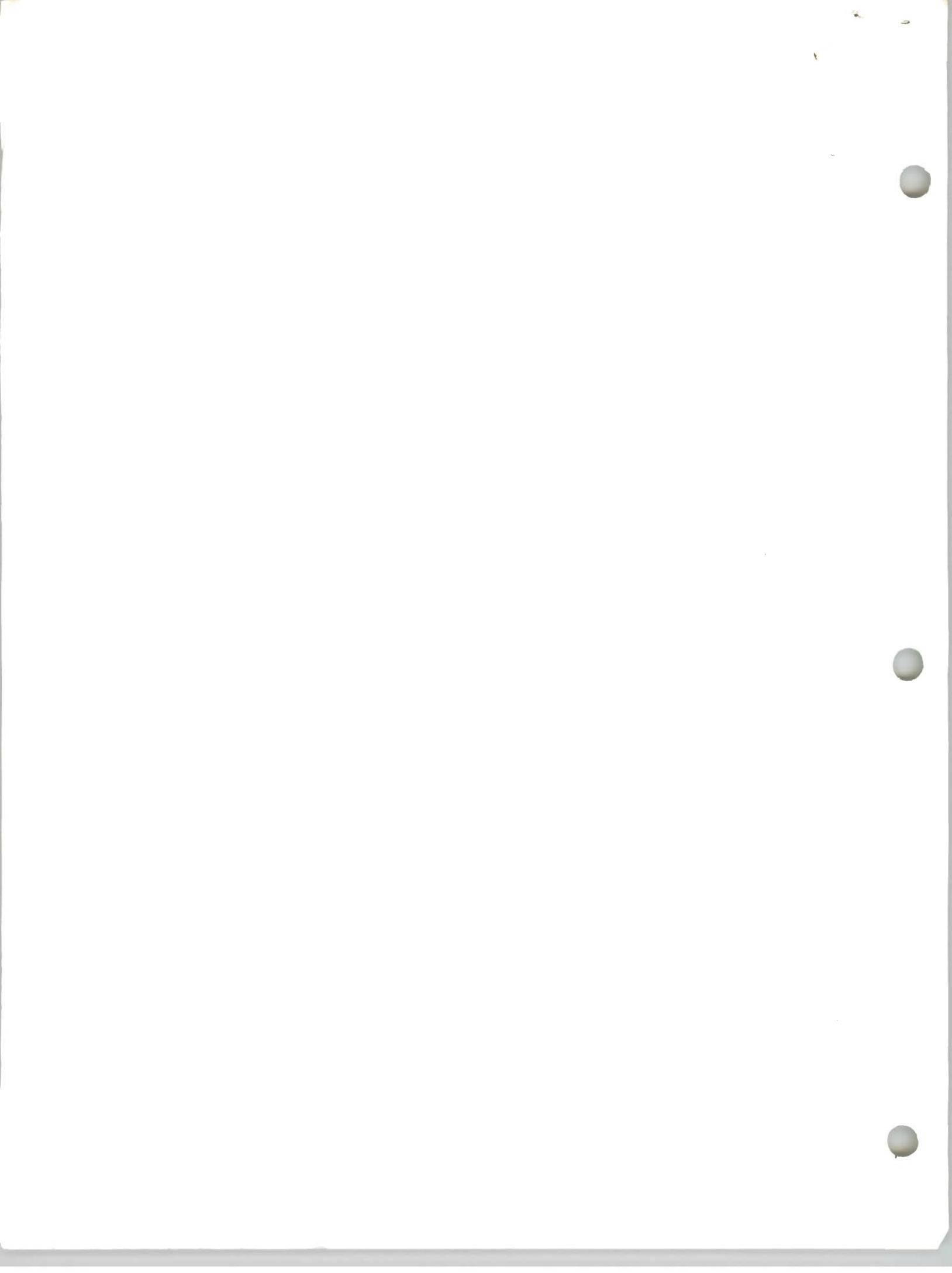
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N. J. A. Sloane

P.S. Perhaps you will find the enclosed amusing.

Enc.

As above



10-1-76

Dear Sloane, due to the long delay it happens I am  
now back in Oxford again, having left your "Handbook" in our  
Cambridge, Mass "study-studio". My wife and I have now the  
necessity of maintaining not only this home in Oxford but also the  
studio-apartment in Mass. I am very sure that I can  
correct these names & labellings for you; but it will take  
time away from my regular work and it will involve some  
expenses for me. This work is sufficiently important  
so that your company should be willing to authorize a  
modest outlay (a total of \$100). When I shall hear from

you or your company, & I've get a check for \$100, I will feel  
fully obliged to drop what I am doing — my current  
work is underfunded, -- and get on with the correction  
of your graph names. I refer only to corrections of the  
graph names. Other ideas which I have communicated  
to you are sufficiently speculative so that contract

work is not justified. Whenever I wrote to you about  
#646 I may possibly have been wrong but that was  
many months ago. I have great admiration for  
Harold Scott Macdonald COXETER but he is age 69. I won't

be writing him often on these matters, nor would I expect  
him often to reply. The question is not one of  
authority but experience.

2/ As Sir Holmes Jr 1840-1935 once said about (law) — —  
the life of (mathematics) has not been logic but experience. In recent  
years, and in recent months, my work in the area where  
Coxeter is experienced has gone far beyond the work of Coxeter or  
anyone else. But I never would have gone back, this year, to the graph  
names, if my wife had not decided to forward your letter to me.

I am not precisely looking for extra work -- as I am  
overwhelmed with work; — but my integrity requires me to  
follow up on this naming project for the graphs. Sincerely,  
~~N. J. TAN GEN~~  
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