On regular map homomorphisms

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Graphs	Graphs	

Graph - connected, undirected graph (loops, semi-edges and parallel edges are allowed)



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Surfaces	

Surface - 2-dimensional manifold - orientable or not, with or without boundary



Torus with one hole

2-sphere with two holes

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Maps		

Map M - a graph G embedded in a surface $\mathcal S$ such that every face of the embedding is homeomorphic to an open disc or to a half-disc $\{[x,y]\in E_2|x^2+y^2<1,y\geq 0\}$



A single vertex graph with one loop and one semi-edge cellularly embedded into the Möbius band

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- Flags a dart gives rise to two flags corresponding to the two "sides" of the dart



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- We simply write $M = M(F; \tau, \lambda, \rho)$

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- A map homomorphism a branched and folded covering from the supporting surface of M to the supporting surface of M with branch points at the
 - centers of faces
 - dangling ends of semi-edges
 - vertices

of the map M.

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Branch points



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Longitudinal fold



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that is, there are no folds at the vertices of M.

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- $Aut(\tilde{M})$ is the automorphism group of \tilde{M} the set of all automorphisms of \tilde{M} under composition of mappings

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Regular map homomorphisms

A homomorphism φ: M̃ → M without transversal and corner folds is regular if there exists a subgroup Γ of Aut(M̃) such that for any two flags f̃₁, f̃₂ of M̃ we have φ(f̃₁) = φ(f̃₂) if and only if f̃₂ = γ(f̃₁) for some map automorphism γ ∈ Γ.

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- A homomorphism $\varphi: \tilde{M} \to M$ without transversal and corner folds is **regular** if there exists a subgroup Γ of $Aut(\tilde{M})$ such that for any two flags \tilde{f}_1, \tilde{f}_2 of \tilde{M} we have $\varphi(\tilde{f}_1) = \varphi(\tilde{f}_2)$ if and only if $\tilde{f}_2 = \gamma(\tilde{f}_1)$ for some map automorphism $\gamma \in \Gamma$.
- If $\varphi: \tilde{M} \to M$ is a regular map homomorphism then M is isomorphic to the quotient map M/Γ .

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Petersen graph The lift of dumbbell graph

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- $\alpha: F(M) \to \Gamma$ a voltage assignment on M which realises the map M

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