The problem with scattering

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I always had some Jissonance with the fact that scattering by 2 does not Jetermine the scattering by O(7). A possible resolution along the principles of congnitive dissonance is that we never really desired the latter; rather, given scattering for 2EA() we'd like to understand the scattering by $uZ \in A()$.

But then, if I understand scattering in A(-) and in A(-) & A(-), why can't I compose to get scatting in A(-) and then in A(-)?