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Abstract: A classical Heisenberg group is defined to be a group of matrices or, more abstractly, can be constructed from a symplectic vector space. Via an algebraic approach, we construct a generalized Heisenberg group from an R -module M , endowed with an R -bilinear form β , where R is a ring with identity. The resulting group is nilpotent of class two and corresponds to a module with Lie bracket. We then investigate the structure of the generalized Heisenberg group and its automorphism group. In particular, we show that the generalized Heisenberg group generated by (M, β) decomposes into a semidirect product and admits decomposition similar to polar decomposition in linear algebra if β is symmetric or skew-symmetric. The latter case leads to another realization of the generalized Heisenberg group.

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