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1 Chapter 1: Matrices (Review)

Proposition 1.1

Augmented matrices $[A\vec{b}]$ and $[A'\vec{b}']$ are row equivalent $\Leftrightarrow A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $A'\vec{x} = \vec{b}'$

Theorem 1.2

The following are equivalent:

- (1) A is invertible
- (2) $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ has a unique solution for any column vector \vec{b} .
- (3) $A\vec{x} = \vec{0}$ has only one solution $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$.

Theorem 1.3

$\det(A) \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow A$ invertible.

$\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$

Definition 1.4: Symmetric group

Symmetric group S_n is a set of all bijection on set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

Proposition 1.5

Every permutation can be written as a non-unique product of not necessarily disjoint transpositions (2-cycle)

Proposition 1.6

P is permutation matrix for permutation p , then

- (1) P has a single 1 in each row and each column
- (2) $\det(P) = \pm 1$
- (3) pq composition = PQ matrix

Definition 1.7: Sign of permutation

$$\text{sign}(p) = \det(P) = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{even number of transpositions} \\ -1 & \text{odd number of transpositions} \end{cases}$$

3 Chapter 3 (Quick review)**Definition 3.1: Vector Space**

A set V is a vector space over \mathbb{R} equipped with two operations: $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$ and $\cdot: \mathbb{R} \times V \rightarrow V$:

- (1) $(V, +)$ is an abelian group.
- (2) $1 \cdot v = v$ for all $v \in V$.
- (3) $(ab) \cdot v = a \cdot (b \cdot v)$
- (4) $(a + b)v = av + bv, a(v + w) = av + aw$

Theorem 3.2

If V is n -dim vector space over \mathbb{R} , then exists invertible linear function $f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

Definition 3.3: Bases

An (ordered) set $B = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ is a base of V :

- (1) B is linearly independent
- (2) B spans V

Note: B is a base $\Leftrightarrow B$ is invertible.

Proposition 3.4

A set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is linearly independent if $a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n = 0$ has only one trivial solution $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 0$

Definition 3.5: Coordinate vector

Given some vector $\vec{v} \in V$, the coordinate vector $[\vec{v}]_B$ is the column matrix such that

$$B[\vec{v}]_B = \vec{v}$$

Definition 3.6: Subspace

$W \subseteq V$ is a subspace of V if it

- (1) closed under $+$,
- (2) closed under scalar multiplication \cdot .

Definition 3.7: Direct Sum

V is the direct sum of subspaces of W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k if

- (1) $W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k = V$.
- (2) W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k are independent subspaces, which means for any $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}^*$, $W_i \cap W_j = \{\vec{0}\}$

2 Chapter 2: Groups

2.2 Groups and Subgroups

Definition 2.1: Group

A group is a set G together with a binary operator $G \times G \rightarrow G$ s.t.

- (1) associative: $a(bc) = (ab)c$;
- (2) identity: $e \in G$ s.t. $ea = a = ae, \forall a \in G$
- (3) inverse: for each $a \in G$, there exists $b \in G$ s.t. $ab = e = ba$.

Proposition 2.2

Suppose $a \in S$, exist $la = e = ar$. Then $l = r$.

Example 2.3.

- (1) $GL_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{M \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : |M| \neq 0\}$
- (2) $M_n(\mathbb{R})$
- (3) $C^0(\mathbb{R}) = \{\text{invertible continuous functions } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\};$
 $C^1(\mathbb{R}) = \{\text{invertible continuous differential functions } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\};$
- (4) S_n symmetric group of n letters

Note: NOT ALL GROUPS ARE ABELIAN

Proposition 2.4: Cancellation

$a, b, c \in G$. If $ab = ac$ or $ba = ca$ then $b = c$. And if $ab = a$ or $ba = a$ then $b = e$.

Proof. Suppose $ab = ac$. Since $a \in G$, $A^{-1} \in G$. And so we mult. both sides by a^{-1} . So we have

$$a^{-1}ab = a^{-1}ac$$

$$eb = ec$$

Second, $ab = a$, $\implies a^{-1}ab = a^{-1}a = e \implies b = e$

□

Definition 2.5: Subgroup

A subset $H \subset G$ that is itself a group under the operation inherited from G is called a subgroup.

- (a) closure over multiplication ($A, B \in H \implies AB \in H$)
- (b) $e \in H$
- (c) inverse in H

Example 2.6. $SL_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in GL_2(\mathbb{R}) : |A| = 1\}$, $SL_2(\mathbb{R})$ is a subgroup of $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$.

Proposition 2.7

G is a group and $H \subset G$ is a subgroup if for every $a, b \in H$ we have $ab^{-1} \in H$.

Example 2.8. $\mathbb{S} = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : \|z\| = 1\}$ is a subgroup of \mathbb{C}^*

Definition 2.9: Proper subgroup

Every group G has subgroups $\{e\}$ and G . Proper subgroup is subgroup that isn't either of them.

Division in \mathbb{Z} : For any $a > b$ in \mathbb{Z} , we can write $a = qb + r$, for some $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ and some $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $0 \leq r < b$.

2.3 Subgroup of Additive Group of Integer**Theorem 2.10: Subgroups of \mathbb{Z}**

If $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ the $S = \{0\}$ or $S = \mathbb{Z}a$ where a is the smallest positive integer in S .

Proof. $S \subset \mathbb{Z} \implies 0 \in S$. Suppose that $x \in S$ s.t. $x \neq 0$. If not, $S = \{0\}$. If $x > 0$, then OK. If $x < 0$, then $-x \in S$ because $S \subset \mathbb{Z}$. Therefore, we can always choose a positive integer $x \in S$.

Consider $\mathbb{Z}a$: since $S \subset \mathbb{Z}$, we know that $a \in S \implies a + a + \dots + a \in S$, and $(-a) + (-a) + \dots + (-a) \in S$. So $\mathbb{Z}a \subset S$.

Consider S : choose the smallest positive integer $a \in S$. Now consider $m \in S$, $m = qa + r$ where $0 \leq r < a$ by integer

division. Since $a \in S \implies qa \in S$, and $m \in S \implies m - qa \in S \implies r \in S$. However, a is the smallest positive integer in S , so r has to be zero. That is $m = qa \implies m \in \mathbb{Z}a$. Therefore, $S \subset \mathbb{Z}a$.

Conclude: $S = \mathbb{Z}a$. □

Proposition 2.11

The group $\mathbb{Z}a + \mathbb{Z}b = \langle a, b \rangle = \{\text{all possible products of } a \text{ and } b \text{ under group operation}\}$ is equal to group $\mathbb{Z}d$ for some integer d . d is the greatest common divisor of a, b (write as $\gcd(a, b)$)

Proposition 2.12

$a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $d = \gcd(a, b)$. We have:

- (1) $d \mid a$ and $d \mid b$
- (2) $m \mid a$ and $m \mid b \implies m \mid d$.
- (3) there exists $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $d = ra + sb$.

Recall: given a, b we can use Euclidean algorithm to find d .

Example 2.13. $a = 321, b = 123$. Find $ax + by = \gcd(a, b)$.

Solution:

$$321 = 2 * 123 + 75$$

$$123 = 75 + 48$$

$$75 = 48 + 27$$

$$48 = 27 + 21$$

$$27 = 21 + 6$$

$$21 = 3 * 6 + 3$$

$$6 = 2 * 3$$

So $\gcd(a, b) = 3$, then:

$$\begin{aligned} 3 &= 21 - 3 * 6 \\ &= (27 - 6) - 3 * 6 \\ &= 27 - 4 * (27 - 21) \\ &= 4 * (48 - 27) - 3 * 27 \\ &= 4 * 48 - 7 * (75 - 48) \\ &= 11 * (123 - 75) - 7 * 75 \\ &= 11 * 123 - 18 * (321 - 2 * 123) \\ &= 47 * 123 - 18 * 321 \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.14: to the last prop

a, b are relatively prime ($\gcd(a, b) = 1$) \leftrightarrow there exists $r, s \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $ra + sb = 1$

Corollary 2.15

$p \mid ab \implies p \mid a \text{ or } p \mid b$

2.4 Cyclic Group**Definition 2.16: Cyclic groups**

A group generated by a single element is called a *cyclic group*.

Notation: $G = \langle g \rangle = \{\dots g^{-2}, g^{-1}, e, g^1, g^2, \dots\} = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

Proposition 2.17

Let $x \in G$, and consider the cyclic group $S = \langle x \rangle$. Let $S = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} \mid x^k = e\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$,

- (1) S is a subgroup of \mathbb{Z} .
- (2) $x^r = x^s \Leftrightarrow x^{r-s} = e \Leftrightarrow r - s \in S$
- (3) $S = \mathbb{Z}n$ for some positive integer n and $1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots, x^{n-1}$ distinct.

Proof. .

(1). Check definition of subgroup:

Closure:

$$\begin{aligned} r, s \in S &\implies x^r = e \text{ and } x^s = e \\ &\implies x^r x^s = ee \\ &\implies x^{r+s} = e \\ &\implies r + s \in S \end{aligned}$$

Inverse: $r \in S \implies x^r = e$. Now consider $x^{-r} = (x^r)^{-1} = e^{-1} = e \implies -r \in S$

$S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$

(3). By theorem 2.3.3 and (1), $s \subseteq \mathbb{Z} \implies S = \mathbb{Z}n$ for smallest positive integer $n \in S$. Now consider $x^k = x^{qn+r}$ for $0 \leq r < n$ (by integer theorem). So,

$$\begin{aligned} x^k &= (x^n)^q x^r \\ &= e^q x^r \\ &= x^r \end{aligned}$$

Now we know that n is the minimum positive integer k s.t. $x^k = e$. Since $x^k = x^r$ and $r < n$, none of

$e, x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-1} = e$. Suppose not: $x^k = x^l$ for $k < l < n$. Then $e = x^l - k$, but $l - k < n$. Contradiction. So $e, x, x^2, \dots, x^{n-1}$ unique and the order of H , $|H| = n$ \square

Definition 2.18: Infinite cyclic group

A group generated by element of infinite order. $x^k \neq e$ for all $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then $\langle x \rangle = \dots, x^{-2}, x^{-1}, e, x, x^2, \dots$ are all distinct (actually $\cong \mathbb{Z}$).

Definition 2.19: Order

- (1) x has order n if n is the smallest positive integer s.t. $x^n = e$.
- (2) Cyclic group $\langle x \rangle$ has order n means it has n number(s) of elements, written as $|\langle x \rangle| = n$.

Example 2.20. $S_3 = \langle (123), (12) \rangle$.

Notice an n -cycle is order n . $(123)^3 = e, (12)^2 = e$. A cyclic subgroup $H = \langle (123) \rangle = \{(123), (132), e\}$ has order 3. Another cyclic subgroup $L = \langle (12) \rangle = \{(12), e\}$ has order 2.

Example 2.21. $GL_2(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid ad - bc \neq 0 \right\} :$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ has infinite order. $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ has order 6.

Proposition 2.22

Suppose x has order n ($\text{ord}(x) = n$) and $k = nq + r$ ($0 \leq r < n$)

- (1) $x^k = x^r$
- (2) $x^k = e \Leftrightarrow r = 0$
- (3) $d = \gcd(k, n) \implies \text{ord}(x^k) = \frac{n}{d}$

Definition 2.23: Cyclic group generated by set

$S \subseteq G$ is a subset and consider $H = \langle S \rangle$, then H is the smallest subgroup containing all of S

Example 2.24. The smallest non-cyclic group is the **Klein four group**

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \pm 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Notice: if V was cyclic, then it would have an element of order 4. But all elements are order 2.

And $V \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$, where \mathbb{Z}_2 is a cyclic group of order 2.

Proposition 2.25

What is the order of

$$\{g \in G \mid \text{ord}(g) = |G|\}$$

Equivalently: how many elements generate all of G ?

$$\phi(n) = \{g^s \mid 0 \leq s < n, \gcd(s, n) = 1\}$$

2.5 Homomorphism**Definition 2.26: Homomorphism**

A function $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ between groups G_1, G_2 is a homomorphism if $\phi(g*, h) :$

- (1) $(G_1, *_1)$ and $e_1 \in G_1$ identity;
- (2) $(G_2, *_2)$ and $e_2 \in G_2$ identity;
- (3) $\phi(gh) = \phi(g)\phi(h)$.

Example 2.27.

- (1) $\det : GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$ because $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$.
- (2) $\text{Sign} : S_n \rightarrow \{1, -1\}$ because $\text{sign}(\sigma\tau) = \text{sign}(\sigma)\text{sign}(\tau)$
- (3) $\exp : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$ because $e^{x+y} = e^x e^y$
- (4) $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G (a \in G)$ because $n \rightarrow a^n = aa \dots a$
- (5) $\mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$ s.t. $z \rightarrow |z|$ because $|zw| = |z||w|$
- (6) A trivial homo: $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ where $\phi(g) = e_2$ for all $g \in G_1$.
- (7) An inclusion homo: $H \subseteq G, H \leftrightarrow G, h \rightarrow h$

Proposition 2.28

$\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is a homomorphism then:

- (a) $\phi(g_1 g_2 \dots g_n) = \phi(g_1) \dots \phi(g_n)$
- (b) $\phi(e_1) = e_2$
- (c) $\phi(g^{-1}) = \phi(g)^{-1}$

Definition 2.29: Subgroups associated to how $G_1 \rightarrow G_2$

- (1) Image of ϕ : $\text{im}(\phi) = \phi(G_1) = \{g \in G_2 \mid g = \phi(h) \text{ for some } h \in G_1\}$
- (2) Kernel of ϕ : $\ker(\phi) = \{g \in G_1 \mid \phi(g) = e_2\} \subseteq G_1$

Claim: $\text{im}(\phi)$ is a subgroup of G_2

Proof. Closure: $g, h \in \text{im}(\phi)$, so $g = \phi(x), h = \phi(y)$ for some $x, y \in G_1$. So $gh = \phi(x)\phi(y) = \phi(xy) \implies \text{im}(\phi)$ because $xy \in G_1$. **Inverse:** $g \in \text{im}(\phi) \implies g = \phi(x)$ for some $x \implies g^{-1} = \phi^{-1}(x) = \phi(x^{-1}) \implies g^{-1} \in \text{im}(\phi)$ because $x^{-1} \in G_1$. \square

Claim: $\ker(\phi)$ is a subgroup of G_1

Proof. Closure: $x, y \in \ker(\phi) \implies \phi(x) = e = \phi(y) \implies e^2 = \phi(x)\phi(y) \implies e = \phi(xy) \implies xy \in \ker(\phi)$. **Inverse:** $x \in \ker(\phi) \implies \phi(x) = e \implies \phi^{-1}(x) = \phi(x^{-1}) = e^{-1} = e$, so $x^{-1} \in \ker(\phi)$. \square

Example 2.30.

- (1) $\det : GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$, $\ker(\det) = SL_n(\mathbb{R})$ (a set of $n \times n$ matrices with determinant 1)
- (2) $\text{sign} : S_n \rightarrow \{1, -1\}$, $\ker(\text{sign}) = A_n$

Proposition 2.31

$\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is homomorphism, $K = \ker(\phi) \subseteq G_1$, for $a, b \in G$, the following are equivalent:

- (1) $\phi(a) = \phi(b)$;
- (2) $a^{-1}b \in K$;
- (3) $b \in aK$.

Corollary 2.32

(IMPORTANT) $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is injective $\Leftrightarrow \ker(\phi) = \{e\}$.

Note: injective means $\phi(x) = \phi(y)$ for $x, y \in G \implies x = y$

Definition 2.33: Normal subgroup

A subgroup $N \leq G$ is normal if $gNg^{-1} \leq N$ for any $g \in G$. In another word, the conjugation of N by g is still inside N .

Theorem 2.34

Equivalent:

- (1) $gN = Ng$

$$(2) \quad N \subseteq gNg^{-1}$$

$$(3) \quad gNg^{-1} = N$$

Proposition 2.35

Let ϕ be homomorphism, $\ker(\phi)$ is a normal subgroup.

Proof. $x \in \ker(\phi)$ and $g \in G$. Now consider gxg^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(gxg^{-1}) &= \phi(g)\phi(x)\phi(g^{-1}) \\ &= \phi(g)e\phi^{-1}(g) \\ &= \phi(g)\phi^{-1}(g) \\ &= e \end{aligned}$$

So $gxg^{-1} \in \ker(\phi)$ □

Definition 2.36: Center of a group

The center of a group G is the set of all elements commuting with everything in G .

Notation: $Z(G) = \{g \in G \mid gx = xg \text{ for all } x \in G\}$

Proposition 2.37

$Z(G)$ is normal in G . Notation: $Z(G) \trianglelefteq G$.

Proof. Choose $x \in Z(G)$ and $g \in G$, then $gxg^{-1} = gg^{-1}x = x \in G$. □

2.6 Isomorphism

Definition 2.38: Isomorphism

An bijective homomorphism is called an isomorphism. That is $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is isomorphism \Leftrightarrow

$$\phi(G_1) = G_2 \text{ (surjective); } \ker(\phi) = G_1 \text{ (injective)}$$

Example 2.39.

$$(1) \quad \exp: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow (0, \infty)^\times, x \rightarrow e^x$$

$$(2) \quad a \in G \text{ is an element of infinite order. Define } \phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \langle a \rangle, \phi(n) = a^n. \langle a \rangle \text{ infinite cyclic is isomorphic to } \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z} \cong \langle a \rangle$$

$$(3) \quad \text{Let } P_n \leq GL_n \text{ of permutation matrices. } S_n \rightarrow P_n \text{ s.t. } \sigma \rightarrow \text{permutation of matrix associated to } \sigma.$$

Lemma 2.39.1

$\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is isomorphism $\implies \phi^{-1} : G_2 \rightarrow G_1$ is also an isomorphism

Definition 2.40: Automorphism

$\phi : G \rightarrow G$ isomorphism

Trivial: $\phi(g) = g$ identity map on G

Inner automorphism: $\phi_g : G \rightarrow G, x \rightarrow gxg^{-1}$

Proposition 2.41

Abelian group G . We have:

- (1) $H \leq G \implies H \trianglelefteq G$,
- (2) $Z(G) = G$
- (3) all inner automorphisms are trivial because $\phi_g(x) = gxg^{-1} = x$.

Definition 2.42: Conjugation automorphism

$\phi_g : G \rightarrow G, x \rightarrow gxg^{-1}$ is a conjugation automorphism.

Proof. Homomorphism: $x, y \in G$, then $\phi_g(xy) = gxyg^{-1} = gxg^{-1}gyg^{-1} = \phi_g(x)\phi_g(y)$. **Isomorphism:** Let's look at $\ker(e_g)$. $x \in \ker(e_g) \implies \phi_g(x) = e \implies gxg^{-1} = e \implies x = geg^{-1} = e$. So $\ker(e_g) = \{e\}$, so ϕ_g is injective. \square

Notice: normal subgroups are "fixed" by inner automorphism

Definition 2.43: Commutator subgroup

$a, b \in G$, then their commutator is $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$ and is denoted $[a, b]$. $[G, G] = \{aba^{-1}b^{-1} \mid a, b \in G\}$ is the commutator subgroup.

Note: if $[a, b] = e$, then $ab = ba$.

2.7 Equivalence relation

Definition 2.44: Equivalence relation

Equivalence relations on set S denoted as $a \sim b$ for $a, b \in S$,

- (1) transitive $a \sim b$ and $b \sim c \implies a \sim c$.
- (2) symmetric $a \sim b \implies b \sim a$.
- (3) reflexive $a \sim a$ for all $a \in S$

Example 2.45. Conjugacy on a group. Because $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow$ exists g s.t. $a = bgb^{-1}$

Definition 2.46: Partition of S

Subdivide S into non-intersecting (disjoint) and non-empty subsets. $S = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_n$ s.t. $S_i \cap S_j = \emptyset$ for $i \neq j$, is written as:

$$S = S_1 \sqcup S_2 \sqcup \dots \sqcup S_n$$

Example 2.47.

(1) $\mathbb{Z} = \text{Even} \sqcup \text{Odd}$

(2) $S_3 = \{e\} \sqcup \{y, xy, x^2y\} \sqcup \{x, x^2\}$, where $x = (123), y = (12)$

Proposition 2.48

Equivalence relation on S is equivalent to partition on S .

Proof. We want to prove $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a$ and b are in the same subset in the partition. □

Lemma 2.48.1

Equivalence classes for $a \in S$, $C_a = \{b \in S \mid a \sim b\}$ partition S .

Proof. Main point: if $C_a \cap C_b \neq \emptyset$, then $C_a = C_b$. Suppose $C_a \cap C_b \neq \emptyset$, we'll show that $C_b \subseteq C_a$, and the following proof is also applicable to get $C_a \subseteq C_b$.

$x \in C_b \implies b \sim x$. Now let $d \in C_a \cap C_b$. Then $a \sim d$ and $b \sim d$. By symmetry, $d \sim b$. Now $a \sim d \sim b \sim x$. So by transitivity, $a \sim x$. So $x \in C_a$. So $C_b \subseteq C_a$ and similarly $C_a \subseteq C_b$. So $C_a = C_b$

So S is partitioned by disjoint equivalence classes. □

Definition 2.49: Set of equivalent classes

Set S with relation \sim :

$$\overline{S} = \{[C_a] \mid a \in S\}$$

C_a is a set of all equivalent classes that are equal to C .

Example 2.50.

$\mathbb{Z} = \text{Even} \sqcup \text{Odd}$.

$\text{Even} = C_0 = C_2 = C_4 = \dots \rightarrow [\text{Even}] = \overline{0}$

$\text{Odd} = C_1 = C_3 = C_5 = \dots \rightarrow [\text{Odd}] = \overline{1}$

So group $\overline{\mathbb{Z}} = \{\overline{1}, \overline{0}\}$

Definition 2.51: Map and Function of equivalence relation

For any equivalence relation \sim on S , we can define a surjection map

$$\pi S \rightarrow \overline{S}, a \rightarrow [C_a]$$

So, $\pi(a) = \pi(b) \Leftrightarrow C_a = C_b$.

Furthermore, let $f : S \rightarrow T$, for $a, b \in S$,

$$a \sim b \Leftrightarrow f(a) = f(b) \in T$$

(Only) If f is a bijective function, the **fibre** of function f is:

$$f^{-1} = \{s \in S \mid f(s) = t\}$$

Example 2.52.

- (1) $|G| < \infty$, ord: $G \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$. Equivalent classes are: $C_n = \{\text{elements of } G \text{ of order } n\}$
- (2) $f : \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$ defined by $f(z) = |z|$

Proposition 2.53

Let $K = \ker(\phi)$. The following are equivalent:

- (1) $aK = bK$
- (2) $a^{-1}b \in K$
- (3) $b \in aK$

Proposition 2.54

Let $K = \ker(\phi)$, the fibre of ϕ containing $a \in G_1$ corresponds to coset aK . And these coset partition the group G .

2.8 Cosets**Definition 2.55: Coset**

$H \subseteq G$ is a subgroup and $a \in G$ s.t.

$$aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\} = \{g \in G \mid g = ah \text{ for some } h \in H\}$$

These aH are cosets of H in G .

Corollary 2.56

Left cosets of $H \leq G$ partition G .

Example 2.57. $G = S_3$, $H = \langle y \rangle$. Let $x = (123)$, $y = (12)$. $H = \{e, y\} = yH$. And $xH = \{x, xy\} = xyH$. And $x^2H = \{x^2, x^2y\} = x^2yH$.

Proposition 2.58

$a, b \in G$ and $H \leq G$. The following are equivalent:

- (1) $b = ah$ for some $h \in H$.
- (2) $a^{-1}b \in H$.
- (3) $b \in aH$.
- (4) $aH = bH$.

Definition 2.59

Number of left cosets of a subgroup $H \leq G$ is called the index of H in G , and it is denoted $[G : H]$

Lemma 2.59.1

All left cosets of $H \leq G$ has same order

Proof. $f : H \rightarrow aH$, $f(h) = ah$. It's a bijection because $f^{-1} = a^{-1}h$. So $|H| = |aH|$ □

Proposition 2.60: I

H is a subgroup of G and $[G : H] = 2$, then H is normal. (proved in worksheet or hw)

Theorem 2.61: Lagrange's Theorem

$$|G| = |H| [G : H]$$

Proof. Cosets are all order $|H|$, and $[G : H]$ cosets partition G . □

Corollary 2.62

let $g \in G$, $\text{ord}(g) \mid |G|$

Corollary 2.63

$|G| = p$ (i.e. G is cyclic of prime order), then for every $a \in G$ s.t. $a \neq e$, $G = \langle a \rangle$.

Corollary 2.64

Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ homomorphism

- (1) $|G| = |\ker(\phi)| |\operatorname{im}(\phi)|$
- (2) $|\ker(\phi)| \mid |G|$
- (3) $|\operatorname{im}(\phi)| \mid |G|$ and $|\operatorname{im}(\phi)| \mid |G'|$

Proposition 2.65: Multiplicativity of index

$$K \leq H \leq G \implies [G : K] = [H : K][G : H]$$

We can also do everything with right cosets

2.9 Modular Arithmetic**Definition 2.66: Congruence**

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n} \iff n \mid b - a \iff a = kn + b$$

Note: it's an equivalence relation on \mathbb{Z}

Proof. .

- (1) Transitivity: $a \equiv b, b \equiv c \implies a \equiv c$
- (2) Symmetry: $a \equiv b \implies b \equiv a$
- (3) Reflexivity: $a \equiv a$

$$\text{Notation: } \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{\overline{0}, \overline{1}, \dots, \overline{n-1}\}$$

□

Proposition 2.67

There are n congruence classes modulo n . And $[\mathbb{Z} : n\mathbb{Z}] = n$

Lemma 2.67.1

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{a+b} &= \overline{a} + \overline{b}; \\ \overline{ab} &= \overline{a} \cdot \overline{b} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.68: Congruence

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Proof. .

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□

Proposition 2.69

There are n congruence classes modulo n . And $[\mathbb{Z} : n\mathbb{Z}] = n$

Lemma 2.69.1

$$\overline{a+b} = \bar{a} + \bar{b};$$

$$\overline{ab} = \bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}$$

Example 2.70. For what n does 2 have a multiplicative inverse modulo n . That is $2a \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$
 $2a = qn + 1$. Since $2a$ is even, qn must be odd. So q, n are odd. Then we write $n = 2k + 1$, $k = 2m + 1$. So

$$\begin{aligned} 2a &= (2m+1)(2k+1) + 1 \\ &= 4mk + 2m + 2k + 2 \\ &= 2(2mk + m + k + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.71: Proof of Chinese Remainder Theorem. (General idea)

The theorem:

$$x \equiv a \pmod{m}$$

$$x \equiv b \pmod{n}$$

And $\gcd(m, n) = 1$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= arm + bsn \\
 &= a(1 - sn) + bs \\
 &= a - asn + bsn \\
 &= a + (bs - as)n
 \end{aligned}$$

□

2.10 Congruence Theorem

Definition 2.72: Restriction

Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism, and $H \leq G$. We may restrict ϕ to H s.t.

$$\phi|_H : H \rightarrow G'$$

We have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ker(\phi|_H) &= \ker(\phi) \cap H \\
 \text{im}(\phi|_H) &= \phi(H)
 \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.73

Let $\phi : H \rightarrow G'$

$$(1) \quad |\phi(H)| \mid |H|$$

$$(2) \quad |\phi(H)| \mid |G'|$$

So if $\gcd(|H|, |G'|) = 1 \implies \phi(H) = \{e\}, H \leq \ker(\phi)$.

Example 2.74. $H \leq$ a subgroup, $\text{sign} : S_n \rightarrow \{1\}$. Since $|\text{sign}(S_n)| = 2$, $|\phi(H)| = 1 \implies H \leq \ker(\text{sign}) = A_n$

Proposition 2.75

Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G', K = \ker(\phi), H' \leq G'$.

$$(1) \quad K \leq \phi^{-1}(H') \leq G$$

$$(2) \quad \text{If } H' \trianglelefteq G', \phi^{-1}(H') \trianglelefteq G$$

$$(3) \quad \text{If } \phi \text{ is surjective (i.e. } \phi(G) = G'), \text{ then } \phi^{-1}(H') \trianglelefteq G \implies H' \trianglelefteq G'$$

Example 2.76. $\det GL_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$, $H = (0, \infty) \trianglelefteq \mathbb{R}^\times$ is normal because \mathbb{R}^\times is abelian. So

$$\det^{-1}(H) \trianglelefteq GL_n(\mathbb{R})$$

Theorem 2.77: Correspondence Theorem

Let $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ be surjective, $K = \ker(\phi)$. Then there exists a bijection in

$$\{K \leq H \leq G\} \leftrightarrow \{H' \leq G'\}$$

and the bijection relation is:

$$H \mapsto \phi(H)$$

$$H' \mapsto \phi^{-1}(H')$$

And $H \leq G \Leftrightarrow H' \leq G'$, $|H| = |H'| \cdot |K|$.

Critical fact: $\phi(K) = \{e\}$.

Proof. We need

$$(1) \phi(H) \leq G'.$$

$$(2) K \leq \phi^{-1}(H') \leq G.$$

$$(3) H' \leq G' \Leftrightarrow \phi^{-1}(H') \leq G.$$

(4) Bijective: $\phi(\phi^{-1}(H')) = H'$. This is true for any surjective function. More precisely, $H \subseteq \phi^{-1}(\phi(H))$ for any surjective function H . Now we want to prove the inverse containment. Let $x \in \phi^{-1}(\phi(H)) = \{x \in G \mid \phi(x) \in \phi(H)\}$. So we can write $x = \phi(h)$ for some $h \in H$. So $\phi(x)\phi(h)^{-1} = e \implies \phi(xh^{-1}) = e \implies xh^{-1} \in K$. But by hypothesis, $K \leq H$, so $xh^{-1} \in H$. And $h \in H$, so $xh^{-1}h = x \in H$. So $\phi^{-1}(\phi(H)) \subseteq H \implies H = \phi^{-1}(\phi(H))$

$$(5) |\phi^{-1}(H')| = |H'| \cdot |K|.$$

□

2.11 Product groups

Definition 2.78

We have two group G, G' . The product group $G \times G' = \{(g, g') \mid g \in G, g' \in G'\}$ with operation given component-wise: $(g_1 g'_1)(g_2 g'_2) = (g_1 g_2, g'_1 g'_2)$

$$(2.11.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccccc} G & & & & G \\ & \searrow i & & \nearrow p & \\ & & G \times G' & & \\ & \nearrow i' & & \searrow p' & \\ G' & & & & G' \end{array}$$

They are defined by $i(x) = (x, 1)$, $i'(x') = (1, x')$, $p(x, x') = x$, $p'(x, x') = x'$. The

Product group example in book

Theorem 2.79

$\gcd(r, s) = 1$ then $C_{rs} = C_r \times C_s$.

Notation: C_n = cyclic group of order n .

Example 2.80.

- (1) $C_6 \cong C_2 \times C_3$. Let $C_6 = \langle x \rangle$, $C_2 = \langle y \rangle$, $C_3 = \langle z \rangle$. $f : C_6 \rightarrow C_2 \times C_3$ is defined by $f(x) = (y, z)$, (y, z) has order 6.
- (2) (Non-example) $C_4 \not\cong C_2 \times C_2$

When is $G \cong H \times K$ for $H, K \leq G$

Proposition 2.81

Define $f : H \times K \rightarrow G$ to be $f(h, k) = hk$. Its image is the set $\{hj \in G \mid h \in H, g \in G\}$

- (1) f is injective $\Leftrightarrow H \cap K = \{e\}$.
- (2) f is a homomorphism \Leftrightarrow elements of K commute with elements of H .
- (3) H is normal in $G \implies Hk \leq G$
- (4) f isomorphism $\Leftrightarrow H \cap K = \{e\}, HK = G, H, K \trianglelefteq G$

Proof. (1) (Left to right) Suppose that $x \in H \cap K$ such that $x \neq e \implies x^{-1} \in H, x \in K$ and $f(x^{-1}, x) = e = f(e, e) \implies f$ is not injective. (Right to left) $H \cap K = \{e\}$. Now let $(h_1, k_1) \neq (h_2, k_2) \in H \times K$ such that $f(h_1, k_1) = f(h_2, k_2) \implies h_1 k_1 = h_2 k_2 \implies h_2^{-1} h_1 = k_2 k_1^{-1}$. So because $h_2^{-1} h_1 = k_2 k_1^{-1} \in H \cap K = \{e\}$, $h_2 = h_1$ and $k_2 = k_1 \implies f$ injective

(2) (Left to right) f homomorphism, $(h_1, k_1), (h_2, k_2) \in H \times K \implies (h_1 h_2, k_1 k_2) \in H \times K$ and $f(h_1 h_2, k_1 k_2) = h_1 h_2 k_1 k_2 = f(h_1, k_1) \times f(h_2, k_2) = h_1 k_1 h_2 k_2 \implies h_2 k_1 = k_1 h_2$. So we prove commutative since the elements h_2, k_1 are arbitrary. (The inverse direction is the same logic)

(3) Let $H \trianglelefteq G$, which means $KH = \bigcup_{k \in K} kH$, $HK = \bigcup_{k \in K} Hk$. Since normal, $kH = Hk \implies KH = HK$. So HK is closed under multiplication: $HKHK = HHHK = HK$. And inverse exists: $hk \in HK \implies (hk)^{-1} = k^{-1}h^{-1} \in KH = HK$.

(4) (Right to left) Suppose $H, K \trianglelefteq G, G = HK, H \cap K = \{e\}$. Define $f = H \times K \rightarrow G$. We already know surjective and injective $\implies f$ is a bijection. By (2) we just need to show $hk = kh$ for all $h \in H, k \in K$. Consider the commutator $\underbrace{(hkh^{-1})k^{-1}}_{\text{Product of two elements in } K} = \underbrace{h(kh^{-1}k^{-1})}_{\text{Product of two elements in } H} \in H \cap K = \{e\}$. So $hkh^{-1}k^{-1} = e \implies hk = kh$

□

Proposition 2.82: Classification of groups of order 4

There are two isomorphism classes of groups of order 4, the class of the cyclic group C_4 of order 4 and the class of the Klein Four Group, which is isomorphic to the product $C_2 \times C_2$ of two groups of order 2.

Proof. Let $|G| = 4 \implies x \in G, \text{ord}(x) = 1, 2, 4$.

Case 1: there is an element s.t. $\text{ord}(x) = 4$, then clearly $G \cong \langle x \rangle$.

Case 2: no element of order 4 (only 2 for $x \neq e$).

$$\begin{aligned} x, y \in G &\implies \text{ord}(x) = \text{ord}(y) = 2 \\ \text{ord}(xy) &= 2 \\ \implies x &= x^{-1}, y = y^{-1} \\ \implies xyx^{-1}y^{-1} &= xyxy = e \\ \implies x, y &\text{ commute } \implies G \text{ abelian} \end{aligned}$$

Now by prop 2.11.4, $G \cong \langle x \rangle \times \langle y \rangle \cong C_2 \times C_2$

□

2.12 Quotient Groups

Why we care about normal:

$N \trianglelefteq G$, consider $G/N = \text{set of left cosets of } N \in G = \{gN \mid g \in G\} \implies G/N \text{ is a group. Notice: If } N \text{ is not normal then } G/N \text{ is not a group because } (gN)(hN) \text{ may not be of form } xN.$

Theorem 2.83

If N is a normal subgroup then G/N ($G \bmod N$) is itself a group. And the function $\pi : G \rightarrow G/N$ s.t. $\pi(g) = gN = \bar{g}$ is a surjective group homomorphism such that $\ker(\pi) = N$. The π is usually referred to as *canonical map*.

Lemma 2.83.1

$N \trianglelefteq G, aN, bN \in G/N$ then $(aN)(bN) = (ab)N$

Proof. $a \underbrace{Nb}_{\text{right coset}} = abNN$ (because it's normal) $= abN$.

□

Lemma 2.83.2

G group, Y a set with composition and $\phi: G \rightarrow Y$ surjective function such that $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b) \implies Y$ is a group and ϕ is homomorphism.

Proof. Now prove the theorem:

(1) group operation on G/N .

(2) G/M is a group (closure, identity, inverse) by Lemma 2.

(3) π surjective homomorphism.

π is surjective by definition and $\pi(gh) = ghN = gNhN = \pi(a)\pi(b)$ so homomorphism.

(4) $\ker(\pi) = N$.

$a \in N \Leftrightarrow \pi(a) = \pi(e) = \bar{e} \Leftrightarrow aN = eN = N$

□

Corollary 2.84

$a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k \in G$ such that $\prod_{i=1}^k a_i \in N$. Then $\pi(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k) = \pi(a_1) \pi(a_2) \dots = \bar{e}$

Example 2.85. $H = \langle (12) \rangle \in S_3$ which is not normal. $eH(123)H = \{(123), (123)(12), (123)^2(12), (123)^2\}$ and it's not a left coset of H .

Theorem 2.86: First Isomorphism Theorem

Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ to be a surjective group homomorphism with $\ker(\phi) = N$. Then $G/N \cong G'$.

Proposition 2.87

If $G/Z(G)$ is cyclic, then G is abelian. (Used in hw but not mentioned in class)

Proof. We can write $G/Z(G) = \langle xZ(G) \rangle$ for some $x \in G$. Then for any $g \in G$, we have $gZ(G) = x^m Z(G)$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. Then according to proposition 2.8.4 about cosets, $gZ(G) = x^m Z(G) \implies (x^m)^{-1}g \in Z(G)$. Suppose there's another arbitrary element $h \in G$, let $(x^m)^{-1}g = z_1 \in Z(G)$, $(x^n)^{-1}h = z_2 \in Z(G)$,

$$\begin{aligned} gh &= x^m z_1 x^n z_2 \\ &= x^m x^n z_1 z_2 \\ &= x^n z_1 x^m z_2 \\ &= hg \end{aligned}$$

So G is abelian.

□

3 Group Actions

Galois: $\mathbb{Q}(i) = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$. $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(i)/\mathbb{Q}) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$

CAYLEY: $|G| = n$ is isomorphic to a subgroup of S_n

Definition 3.1: Group action

G acting on a set X is $\alpha : G \times X \rightarrow X$ such that $\alpha(g, h) = \alpha_g(h)$.

Or equivalently, $\alpha : G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(X) \cong S_{|X|}$ such that $\alpha(g) = \alpha_g$

The action satisfies:

$$(1) \quad \alpha_e(x) = x$$

$$(2) \quad \alpha_g(\alpha_h(x)) = \alpha_{gh}(x)$$

Notation: the action gives $x \in X \rightarrow g \cdot x \in X$

Definition 3.2: Orbits

The subsets of X given by $G \cdot x = \{y \in X \mid y = g \cdot x \text{ for some } g \in G\}$

Notice: Orbits partition X .

Proposition 3.3

The group action is transitive if there is only one orbit.

Transitive: for any $x \in X$, we can find $g \in G, y \in X$ such that $x = g \cdot y$

Proposition 3.4

The group action defines an equivalence relation on X with equivalence classes = orbits

Definition 3.5: Stabilizers

For $x \in X$, stabilizers is the subgroup of G , $G_x = \{g \in G \mid g \cdot x = x\}$.

We say the action is **free** if all stabilizers are trivial (no non-identity elements of G has a fixed point $g \cdot x = x$).

Theorem 3.6: Orbit-Stabilizer Theorem

$$|G| = |G_x| \times |G \cdot x| = (\text{order of stabilizer of } x) \times (\text{order of orbit of } x).$$

Proof. (Lagrange's Theorem stuff)

□

Lemma 3.6.1

The group actions give homomorphism $\alpha : G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(X)$

Theorem 3.7: Cayley's Theorem

Every finite group G is (isomorphic to) a subgroup of a symmetric group. Specifically: $|G| = n, G \cong S \leq S_n$.

Example 3.8. Groups acting on themselves:

(1) Left multiplication: $m : G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(G)$ such that $m_g(x) = mg$. The orbits of this action are left cosets.

(2) Conjugation: $\alpha : G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(G)$ which is $G \rightarrow \text{Auto}(G)$ actually. $\alpha_g(x) = gxg^{-1} = \underbrace{x^g}_{\text{conjugation notation}}$

For part (2):

Orbits = conjugacy classes

$$Cl(x) = \{y \in G \mid y = gxg^{-1} = x^g \text{ for some } g \in G\}$$

Stabilizers: centralizers

$$G_x = C_G(x) = \{g \in G \mid gxg^{-1} = x\} = \{g \in G \mid gx = xg\}$$

Note: If x conjugate to y then $Cl(x) = Cl(y)$

Proposition 3.9

FACT:

(1) $|G| = |C_G(x)| \times |Cl(x)| \implies |Cl(x)| = [G : C_G(x)] \implies |Cl(x)| \mid |G|$ for every x .

(2) Class equation: $G = \sqcup_i Cl(g_i)$, g_i representatives of conjugacy classes. This means

$$|G| = \sum_i |Cl(g_i)| = \sum_i [G : C_G] = |Z(G)| + \underbrace{\sum_{i=k} [G : C_G(x_i)]}_{\text{sum of } |Cl(x)| \neq 1}$$

(3) If $x \in Z(G)$, $|Cl(x)| = 1$

3.1 p-groups

Proposition 3.10: 7.3.1

Center of a p-group is non-trivial. (Note if G is a p-group, $|G| = p^k$ for some integer k .)

Proof. $|G| = p^k$. By class equation, $|G| = |Z(G)| + \sum_i [G : C_G(x_i)]$. Suppose $|Z(G)| = 1$, so $p^k = 1 + \sum_i [G : C_G(x_i)]$.

And $[G : C_G(x_i)] \mid p^k \implies = p^{m_i}$. So

$$\begin{aligned} p^k &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^k p^{m_i} \\ &= 1 + p(p^{m_1-1} + p^{m_2-1} + \dots + p^{m_k-1}) \\ &\equiv 1 \pmod{p} \end{aligned}$$

Contradiction. So $|Z(G)| \neq 1$. □

Proposition 3.11: 7.3.3

Groups of order p^2 are abelian.

Proof. $|G| = p^2$, we want to show $|Z(G)| = p^2$. By previous proposition, $|Z(G)| \neq 1$, so $|Z(G)| = p$ or p^2 . We want to rule out the possibility of order being p . $|G| = |Z(G)| + \sum_{i=1}^k [G : C_G(x_i)]$. Notice the order cannot exceed p^2 , the nontrivial conjugacy classes should have order p . Note that if $x \notin Z(G)$, then $Z(G) < C_G(x) \implies |C_G(x)| = p^2$, which is a contradiction. □

3.2 Dihedral Groups

Definition 3.12: Dihedral Group

Groups of symmetries of regular n -gons = $\{n \text{ rotations}, n \text{ reflection}\}$

Notation: D_n (in book) or D_{2n} (modern notation).

We have

$$D_{2n} = \langle r, s \mid r^n = e, s^2 = e, srs = r^{-1} \rangle$$

Another general rule: compose two reflection, get the rotation corresponding $2 \times \theta$ where θ = angle between the axes of rotations.

Proposition 3.13

n odd:

- $Z(D_{2n}) = \{e\}$
- All reflections are conjugate (they are all in the same conjugacy class)

n even:

- $Z(D_{2n}) = \{e, r^{\frac{n}{2}}\}$
- Vertex axis reflections are conjugate, fare axis reflections are conjugate. That is, there are two conjugacy classes: vertex axis reflections and fare axis reflections

Example 3.14. Class equation for $D_8 = \{\text{symmetries of square}\}$

We can think about the elements of D_8 as the elements of S_4 because each element permutes the vertices:

$$r \rightarrow (1234)$$

$$s_1 \rightarrow (23)$$

$$s_2 \rightarrow (12)(34)$$

$$(1) \quad Z(D_8) = \{e, (13)(24)\} = \{e, r^2 \equiv S_1 S_3\}$$

$$(2) \quad Cl((13)) = \{(13), (24)\} \text{ (vertex axis reflections)}$$

$$Cl((12)(34)) = \{(12)(34), (14)(23)\} \text{ (face axis reflections)}$$

$$Cl(r) = Cl((1234)) = \{(1234)(1432)\} \text{ (order 4 rotations)}$$

Homework hint (problem 10): Classify group of order 8 =

$$(1) \quad 3 \text{ abelian} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z} \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \\ \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$$

$$(2) \quad 2 \text{ non-abelian} = \begin{cases} D_8 \\ Q_8 = \{1, i, j, k, -1, -i, -j, -k\} \end{cases}$$

3.3 Simple groups

Definition 3.15: Simple groups

Simple groups have no non-trivial normal subgroups. The simple groups are the building blocks of all groups
(Some side reading: classification of simple groups)

Lemma 3.15.1: 7.4.2

For normal subgroup $N \triangleleft G$ ($gNg^{-1} = N$), we have

$$(1) \quad x \in N \implies Cl(x) \subseteq N$$

$$(2) \quad N = \bigcup_x Cl(x)$$

$$(3) \quad |N| = \sum_x \text{represents of distinct conjugacy class} |Cl(x)|$$

Theorem 3.16: 7.4.3

A_5 is simple where A_5 = icosahedral group = even parts of permutation in S_5

Proof. We've given that A_5 has the following class equation:

$$|A_5| = 60 = 1 + 20 + 12 + 12 + 15$$

which is established with geometry in book section 7.4.

Suppose N is normal in A_5 , then $|N| \mid 60$. By proposition (3) in the lemma, $|N| = 1 + m$ where $m =$ sum of subset of $\{20, 12, 12, 15\}$. But no such integer m with these combined property \implies no normal subgroup. \square

The theorem of **Galois group** (we don't need to know for now): Galois group of polynomial \Leftrightarrow polynomial is solvable by radicals. We have $\text{Gal}(\mathbb{Q}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_5)/\mathbb{Q}) \leq A_5$. Since A_5 is not solvable, degree 5 polynomials are not solvable by radicals (has no formula of roots in terms of n)

3.4 Conjugacy classes in S_n

Example 3.17. We can think about S_5 as $\phi : \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \rightarrow \{a, b, c, d, e\}$. Consider $p \in S_n$, $\phi \circ p \circ \phi^{-1} : \{a, b, c, d, e\} \rightarrow \{a, b, c, d, e\}$. Let $q = (1452), p = (134)(25)$. We have

$$qpq^{-1} = (1452)(134)(25)(2541) = (435)(12) = p'$$

We find that p and its conjugate p' have same disjoint cycle decomposition (cycle structure). And we find that $\phi : \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\} \rightarrow \{4, 1, 3, 5, 2\}$ maps p to p' , which is exactly the same as q .

Proposition 3.18: 7.5.1

p and p' are conjugate in $S_n \Leftrightarrow$ cycle decompositions are the same length (see the example above).

Example 3.19. Consider class equation for S_4 :

Conjugacy classes	partition of 4	#
e	1+1+1+1	1
(**)	1+1+2	6
(**)(**)	2+2	3
(***)	1+3	8
(****)	4	6

Table 1

Group of order 8 (Problem 10): If abelian, $= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$. If not, $= 1 + 1 + 2 + 2 + 2$

Example for abelian case: Let $|G| = p^2 q^2$, the possible groups are $\mathbb{Z}/p^2 q^2 \mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}/p^2 \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/q^2 \mathbb{Z}, \dots$ ($p \times p \times q^2, p^2 \times q \times q, p \times p \times q \times q$ of the same form)

Now let's see $Q_8 = \{\pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k\}$. We know $(-1)^2 = 1, i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1, ijk = -1$. And $Z(Q_8) = \{\pm 1\}$.

Class equation for Q_8 : Recall $|Cl(x)| = [Q_8 : C_G(x)]$, and $C_G(i) = \{x \in Q_8 \mid xi = ix\} = \{1, i, -1, -i\}$. Similarly $C_G(j) = \{1, -1, j, -j\}, C_G(k) = \{1, -1, k, -k\}$. So $[Q_8 : C_G(x)] = 2$ for all $x = i, j, k$.

To distinguish D_8 and Q_8 , see what their normal subgroups are.

3.5 Normalizers

Definition 3.20: Normalizer

The stabilizer of the conjugation operation of G on its subgroup H is called the normalizer of H , and is denoted by

$$N_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H\}$$

Proposition 3.21: 7.6.3

Let $H \leq G$, we have:

- (1) $H \trianglelefteq N_G(H)$
- (2) $H \trianglelefteq G \Leftrightarrow N_G(H) = G$
- (3) $|H| \mid |N_G(H)|$ and $|N_G(H)| \mid |G|$

3.6 Sylow theorem

Definition 3.22: Sylow subgroups

Let $|G| = p^k m$ where the prime number $p \nmid m$ and k is the largest possible integer. Then $H \leq G$ with $|H| = p^k$ is called a Sylow p -subgroup.

Theorem 3.23: Sylow I

$p \mid |G| \implies G$ must have a Sylow p -subgroup

Corollary 3.24: Cauchy's theorem

$p \mid |G| \implies$ exists $x \in G$ with $\text{ord}(x) = p$.

Theorem 3.25: Sylow II

- (a) Sylow p -subgroups are conjugate. In other words, if $P, Q \leq G$ are Sylow p -subgroups, then exists $g \in G$ such that $gPg^{-1} = Q$.
- (b) Every p -subgroup is itself a subgroup of a Sylow p -subgroup.

Corollary 3.26

If $s_p = 1$, the Sylow p -subgroup is normal in G .

Theorem 3.27: Sylow III

Let s_p denote the number of Sylow p -subgroup. Then $s_p \mid m$ and $s_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Proposition 3.28: Facts about Finite Group

- (1) $\text{Aut}(C_p) \cong C_p^\times = C_{p-1}$
- (2) $|G| = p^2 \implies G$ is abelian (i.e. $G = C_{p^2}$ or $C_p \times C_p$)
- (3) $|G| = pq$ s.t. $p < q$ and $p \nmid (q-1) \implies G$ is cyclic (i.e. $G = C_{pq}$)

Theorem 3.29: Generalized Cayley's theorem

Any subgroup $H \leq G$, then there exists a homomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow S_{[G:H]}$ with $H \leq \ker(\phi)$.

Consequences:

- By 1st isomorphism theorem, $|G/\ker(\phi)| \mid [G:H]$
- $|G/\ker(\phi)| \mid |G|$

Definition 3.30: Semidirect product

$N \trianglelefteq G$, $H \leq G$ such that $HN = G$ and $H \cap N = \{e\}$. We know if $H \trianglelefteq G$, then $G = N \times H$. This is called direct product. We defined semi-direct product as $G = N \rtimes_\phi H$ where $\phi : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ with $h \mapsto \phi_h$ ($\phi_h : n \mapsto hnh^{-1}$). Example:

$$(n_1, h_1)(n_2, h_2) = (n_1\phi_{h_1}(n_2), h_1h_2)$$

3.7 Generators and Relations

Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} C_n &= \langle x \mid x^n = e \rangle \\ D_{2n} &= \langle r, s \mid r^n = s^2 = e, srs^{-1} = r^{-1} \rangle \\ S_n &= \langle x, y \mid x^n = y^2 = e, yxy = x^2 \rangle \\ C_n \times C_m &= \langle x, y \mid x^n = y^m = e, xy = yx \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Definition 3.31: Free Groups

$F_n = \langle x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n \rangle$. The only rule is $x_i x_i^{-1} = x_i^{-1} x_i = e$.

Example: $F_2 < a, b > = \{abab, a^2b, a^3ba, \dots\}$. Note that we don't assume commutative.

Recall: $\pi : G \rightarrow G/N$ for $N \trianglelefteq G \iff \ker(\pi) = N$. Consider a normal subgroup $R \trianglelefteq F_n$ and then F_n/R gives a presentation $\langle F_n \mid R \rangle$. Example:

- (1) $C_n = F_1 / \langle x^n \rangle = \langle x \mid x^n = e \rangle$
- (2) $D_{2n} = F_2 / \langle r^n, s^2, sr s^{-1} r \rangle$
- (3) $S_n = F_2 / \langle x^n, y^2, y x^{-1} y x^2 \rangle$

Example 3.32. Classification of groups of order 30, $|G| = 30 = 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5$

By Sylow III:

$$n_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \quad n_2 \mid 3 \cdot 5 \quad n_2 = 1, 3, 5, 15$$

$$n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \quad n_3 \mid 2 \cdot 5 \quad n_3 = 1, 10$$

$$n_5 \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \quad n_5 \mid 3 \cdot 2 \quad n_5 = 1, 6$$

Case $n_5 = 1$: Exists Sylow 5-subgroup $N \trianglelefteq G$ where $|N| = 5$. Now choose (by Sylow I) $S \leq G$ a Sylow 3-subgroup. Since the orders $\gcd(|S|, |N|) = 1$, we know $N \cap S = \{e\}$ and $|NS| = 15$ and $[G : NS] = 2 \implies NS \trianglelefteq G$. Now choose $H \in G$ a Sylow 2-subgroup. Again, we know $H \cap NS = \{e\}$ and $NSH = G$. So we can write $G = NS \rtimes_\phi H$.

Now look at $\phi : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(NS)$ where $\phi(h) = \phi_h = hnh^{-1}$. Recall $|H| = 2 \rightarrow H = \langle h \rangle (h^2 = e) \implies \phi_h$ is either order 1 or 2 in group $\text{Aut}(NS)$. Also, $|NS| = 3 \times 5$ and $3 \nmid 5 - 1 \implies NS \cong C_{15}$. So: $\phi : C_2 \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C_3 \times C_5) \cong C_2 \times C_4$. Suppose $\phi : \langle h \rangle \rightarrow \langle a \rangle \times \langle b \rangle$. If ϕ_h has order 1 $\implies \phi_h = e \implies G_1 = NS \times H \cong C_{15} \times C_2 \cong C_{30}$. If ϕ_h has order 2, let $NS \cong C_{15} \cong C_3 \times C_5 = \langle \alpha \rangle \times \langle \beta \rangle$. Then

$$h \mapsto \begin{cases} \phi_h(\alpha, \beta) = (\alpha^2, \beta^4) \\ \phi_h(\alpha, \beta) = (\alpha, \beta^4) \\ \phi_h(\alpha, \beta) = (\alpha^2, \beta) \end{cases} = h(\alpha, \beta)h^{-1} \cong \begin{cases} (a, e) \\ (e, b^2) \\ (a, b^2) \end{cases}$$

\implies

$$G_2 = \langle h, \alpha, \beta \mid h^2 = \alpha^3 = \beta^5 = e, h\alpha h^{-1} = \alpha^2, h\beta h^{-1} = \beta \rangle = C_5 \times (C_3 \times C_2) = C_5 \times D_6$$

$$G_3 = \langle h, \alpha, \beta \mid h^2 = \alpha^3 = \beta^5 = e, h\alpha h^{-1} = \alpha, h\beta h^{-1} = \beta^4 \rangle = C_3 \times (C_5 \times C_2) = C_3 \times D_{10}$$

$$G_4 = \langle h, \alpha, \beta \mid h^2 = \alpha^3 = \beta^5 = e, h\alpha h^{-1} = \alpha^2, h\beta h^{-1} = \beta^4 \rangle = D_{30}$$

Case $n_5 = 6$: 6 Sylow 5-subgroups and since each of the $K_i \leq G$ have $|K_i| = 5$, we have $K_i \cap K_j = \{e\} \implies 6 \times 4 = 24$ elements of order 5 \implies 2 order 2 elements and 3 order 3 elements \implies Sylow 2-subgroup and Sylow 3-subgroup are both normal. Let $m \trianglelefteq G$, $|M| = 2$ and $N \trianglelefteq G$, $|N| = 3$. Now since $M \cap N = \{e\}$ (because co-prime order), we have $|MN| = 6$ and since $MN \trianglelefteq G$, consider semi-direct product: $K \leq G$, $MN \trianglelefteq G$ and how $\phi : K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(MN)$. Notice that both N and M are also normal in MN , so $MN \cong C_3 \times C_2$. Now we know that $\text{Aut}(MN) \cong C_2 \times C_1 \implies$ now ϕ is trivial. That is not possible because K is not normal in G .

Example 3.33. Classify $|G| = 12 = 2^2 \times 3$.

By Sylow III:

$$n_3 = 1, 4$$

$$n_2 = 1, 3$$

Case $n_3 = 4$: Suppose K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4 are these Sylow 3-subgroups. Since K_i are prime order, either $K_i = K_j$ (We don't want) or $K_i \cap K_j = \{e\} \implies 4 \times 2 = 8$ order 3 elements \implies 3 elements of order 2, hence there is only one Sylow 2-subgroup $H \leq G$ since $|H| = 4$. So $H \trianglelefteq G$.

Now look at possible semi-products $G = H \rtimes_{\phi} K$. So $\phi : K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(H)$, H has order 4 $\implies \begin{cases} H \cong C_4 \\ H \cong C_2 \times C_2 \end{cases}$

In Artin: Conjugation action (exists by Sylow II) of G on the Sylow 3-subgroups $G \curvearrowright \{K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4\}$ gives homomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow S_4$.

Look at automorphism of $C_2 \times C_2 = \left\{ e, \underbrace{x, y, xy}_{\text{bijection of this set is an element of } S_3} \right\}$

Case $H \cong C_2 \times C_2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : K &\rightarrow \text{Aut}(C_2 \times C_2) \\ \langle k \rangle &\mapsto (123), (132) \end{aligned}$$

Since k has order 3, $\phi(k) = (123)$ or (132) . Then we have two possibility:

$$(1) \quad \phi_k(x) = y, \phi_k(y) = xy, \phi_k(xy) = x$$

$$(2) \quad \phi_k(x) = xy, \phi_k(y) = x, \phi_k(xy) = y$$

So

$$G_1 = \langle k, x, y \mid kxk^{-1} = y, kyk^{-1} = xy, kxyk^{-1} = x, k^3 = x^2 = y^2 = e, xy = yx \rangle$$

$$G_2 = \langle k, x, y \mid kxk^{-1} = xy, kxyk^{-1} = y, kyk^{-1} = x, k^3 = x^2 = y^2 = e, xy = yx \rangle$$

See $G_1 \cong G_2 \cong A_4$ according to their presentation.

Case $H \cong C_4$: Let $\phi : K \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C_4) \cong C_2 \implies \phi$ is a trivial map going to $\text{id}: H \rightarrow H \implies K$ is normal, which contradicts the assumption $n_3 = 4$.

Case $n_3 = 1$: Let K be the Sylow 3-subgroup, hence K is a normal subgroup of order 3. Choose a Sylow 2-subgroup H which has order 4. Now consider possible semi-direct products: $G = K \rtimes_{\phi} H$. So we want to look at $\phi : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(K) \cong \text{Aut}(C_3) \cong C_2$.

Case $H \cong C_4$: Let $H = \langle h \rangle$ ($\text{ord}(h) = 4, \text{ord}(h^2) = 2$). So $\phi_h : C_3 \rightarrow C_3$ is order 2, i.e. $\phi_h(x) = x^l \implies x^{l^2} = \phi_h^2(x) = x \implies l^2 \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \implies l = 2 \implies \phi_h(x) = x^2 \implies h x h^{-1} = x^2$. So

$$G = \langle h, x \mid h^4 = x^3 = e, h x h^{-1} = x^2, h x = x h \rangle$$

Warning: $\text{Aut}(C_p \times C_q) \cong C_p^{\times} \times C_q^{\times}$ if $\gcd(p, q) = 1$

3.8 Midterm Review and Homework

Solution : Homework 7 #7

If $H \trianglelefteq G \implies N_G(H) = G$, so done. So we assume H is not normal in G .

Let $X = \{\text{conjugate subgroups of } H\} = \{gHg^{-1} \mid g \in G\}$. By a book theorem, we know $|X| = [G : N_G(H)]$.

Let $H \curvearrowright X$ by conjugation. Since $H < G$ are p -groups, every orbit is a power of p . See that the orbit of $H \in X$ is order 1: $O_H = \{H\}$. Therefore, we have at least $p - 1$ other orbits of order 1. So there exists some other $gHg^{-1} \in X$ whose orbits $= \{gHg^{-1}\}$. So $agHg^{-1}a^{-1} = gHg^{-1}$ for all $a \in H$. And then for $g \in G$ and any $a \in H$, we have $g^{-1}agHg^{-1}a^{-1}g = H \implies g^{-1}ag \in N_G(H)$ for all $a \in H$. However, since we are now looking at the situation where $gHg^{-1} \neq H$, there must exist some $a \in H$ such that $gag^{-1} \notin H$. Hence H is a proper subgroup of $N_G(H)$.

Suppose $H \in G$ is maximal. By previous conclusion, we know that $H < N_G(H) \implies N_G(H) = G \implies H \trianglelefteq G$. Lastly, we want to show maximal $H < G$ has $[G : H] = p$. Now consider the $Z(G) \neq G$ which must be non-trivial. And consider

Base case: $|G| = p^2$, abelian, so done

Induction: $|G| = p^k$ for $k < n$ has maximum normal subgroup of index p . Consider $|G| = p^n$ and then $|G/Z(G)| < p^n \implies G/Z(G)$ has a maximum subgroup of index p .

4 Midterm review

4.1 Group action

$G \curvearrowright X \iff \phi : G \rightarrow \text{Perm}(X) = S_{|X|}$. We can consider ϕ as a group homomorphism.

→ Definitions come directly:

Orbits $(x \in X) : O_x = G \cdot x = \{y \in X \mid y = g \cdot x \text{ for some } g \in G\}$

Stabilizers $(x \in X) : \text{Stab}(x) = G_x = \{g \in G \mid g \cdot x = x\}$

Proposition 4.1: Some important facts and properties

- (1) Orbits partition X
- (2) **Orbit-stabilizer theorem:** $|O_x| = [G : G_x] \implies |G| = |G_x| \cdot |O_x|$
- (3) **Transitive action** has only one orbit. $(x, y \in X, \exists g \in G \text{ s.t. } g \cdot x = y)$
Free action: $g \cdot x = x \implies g = e$ and stabilizers all trivial
Faithful action: $g \cdot x = x \text{ for all } x \in X \implies g = e$

Some navigation:

- 6.7: group action
- 6.8 action of G on G/H .
- 6.10 action of G on subsets

Definition 4.2: Libraries of group actions

- (1)
- $G \curvearrowright G$
- by left multiplication

$$\begin{aligned}\phi : G &\rightarrow \text{Perm}(G) = S_{|G|} \\ g &\mapsto \phi_g : G \rightarrow G (\phi_g(x) = gx)\end{aligned}$$

Free action $\implies \phi$ injective (Cayley's theorem)

- (2)
- $G \curvearrowright G/H$
- by left multiplication. Free action
- $\implies \phi$
- injective
- \implies
- generalized Cayley.

Main idea: $H \leq \ker(\phi)$

Consequence:

$$\begin{aligned}|G/\ker(\phi)| &| [G : H]| \\ |G/\ker(\phi)| &| |G|\end{aligned}$$

- (3)
- $G \curvearrowright G$
- by conjugation:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi : G &\rightarrow \text{Aut}(G) \\ g &\mapsto \phi_g : G \rightarrow G (\phi_g(x) = gxg^{-1})\end{aligned}$$

We know

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Orb}(x) = \text{Cl}(x) &= \{gxg^{-1} \mid g \in G\} \\ G_x = C_G(x) &= \{g \in G \mid gxg^{-1} = x\} \\ |\text{Cl}(x)| &= [G : C_G(x)]\end{aligned}$$

This action is often used to find the class equation. And recall that $|\text{Cl}(x)| = 1 \implies x \in Z(G)$

- (4)
- $G \curvearrowright \text{Subgroups}(G)$
- (e.g.
- $G \curvearrowright \{gHg^{-1} \mid g \in G\}$
- for
- $H \leq G$
-).

Consider the example: The action is forced to be transitive since X is exactly the set of conjugates of $H \leq G$. And $\text{Stab}(K) = N_G(K)$ for $K \in X$. And by orbit-stabilizer thm,

$$|G| = |N_G(H)| \cdot (\text{number of conjugate subgroups of } H \leq G)$$

So

$$N_G(H) = G \iff H \trianglelefteq G \neq G$$

Notice: $|\text{Orb}(H)| = 1$ for $H \trianglelefteq G \neq G$ in either action

- (5)
- $G \curvearrowright \{S \subseteq G \mid |S| = m\}$
- action given by left multiplication. Note this action gives a free action:
- $G \rightarrow S_m$

5 Ring

5.1 Intro to Ring

Definition 5.1

A ring is a set R together with two binary operation $+$ and \cdot satisfying:

- (1) $(R, +)$ is an abelian group (unit = 0)
- (2) \cdot is associative with unit (unit = 1)
- (3) Distributive: $a \cdot (b + c) = ab + ac$

Definition 5.2: Commutative Ring

A commutative ring is a ring with commutative multiplication. (For our class, we'll only look at commutative ring)

Definition 5.3: Field

A field is a commutative ring where every element has a multiplicative inverse.
(An element of a ring with a multiplicative inverse is a unit.)

Example 5.4.

- (1) \mathbb{Z} with usual $+$ and $\cdot \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^\times = \{+1, -1\}$.
- (2) $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ with $+$ and $\cdot \bmod n$. $\rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times = \{x \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(x, n) = 1\} \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^\times \cong (\mathbb{Z}/(p-1)\mathbb{Z})^\times$

Notice: $R^\times = R \setminus \{0\} \Leftrightarrow R$ is a field

Proposition 5.5

Only ring where the $+$ identity (0) and the \cdot identity (1) are equal is the 0 ring:

$$R = \{0\}$$

Proposition 5.6: Zero divisors

Element $a \in R$ such that exists $b \neq 0, b \in R$ such that $ab = 0$.

Definition 5.7: Domain

A ring with no zero divisors is called a (integral) domain.

Example 5.8. Non-commutative example (\mathbb{F} is a field):

- (1) $R = GL_n(\mathbb{F}) \rightarrow$ all non-0 elements are invertible, but not commutative so not a field.
- (2) $R = M(\mathbb{F}) \rightarrow$ non-invertible elements and some obvious zero divisors.

Now look at some other "integer" rings

- $\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + bi \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subset \mathbb{C}$. Check if ring:
 - (1) $a + bi, c + di \in \mathbb{Z}[i] \rightarrow a + c + (b + d)i \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$
 - (2) $a + bi \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ then $-a - bi \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$
 - (3) $0 = 0 + 0i \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$
 - (4) $(a + bi)(c + di) = (ac - bd) + (ad + bc)i \in \mathbb{Z}[i]$ because \mathbb{Z} is a ring
 - (5) Distributive: $(a + bi)[(c + di) + (e + fi)] = (a + bi)(c + di) + (a + bi)(e + fi)$

Definition 5.9: Polynomial ring

Let R be a ring and define the polynomial ring over R is the set $R[x]$ for some indeterminate element x given by:

$$R[x] = \{a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}, a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n \in R\}$$

Notice: $R \subset R[x] =$ degree 0 polynomials

Just like with integers, we have division in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ in the following sense: fix $p(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ and then any $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ can be written

$$f(x) = q(x)p(x) + r(x)$$

Here the degree of r is strictly less than f . Then notice:

$$f(x) \in R[x], f(a) = 0 \Leftrightarrow (a - x) \in R[x] \text{ divides } f(x)$$

5.2 Division of Ring

Notation:

$$R[x] = \{a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n \mid a_0, \dots, a_n \in R, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\}$$

(It's a polynomial ring in one variable over R)

Proposition 5.10: 11.2.8

R commutative ring define a unique commutative ring structure on $R[x]$ satisfying:

- (1) Addition: $f(x) + g(x) = \sum_k (a_k + b_k)x^k$
- (2) Multiplication: $f(x)g(x) = \sum_{i+j=k} a_i b_j x^{i+j}$

Proposition 5.11: 11.2.9 Division theorem for polynomial ring

Let $f, g \in R[x]$, f is a monic polynomial and there exists unique $q, r \in R[x]$ such that

$$g(x) = q(x)f(x) + r(x)$$

with $\deg r < \deg f$.

(monic = lead coeff is 1)

Corollary 5.12: 11.2.10

Can divide by $f \in R[x]$ if the lead coeff is a unit in R .

Corollary 5.13: 11.2.11

$g \in R[x], x \in R$ then remainder of division of $g(x)$ by $x - \alpha$ is $g(\alpha) \in R$

5.3 Ring homomorphism**Definition 5.14: Ring homomorphism**

Let R, S be rings, then a function $\phi : R \rightarrow S$ is a ring homomorphism if:

- (1) $\phi(a + b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$
- (2) $\phi(a \cdot_R b) = \phi(a) \cdot_S \phi(b)$
- (3) $\phi(1_R) = 1_S$

Example: $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$

Definition 5.15: Evaluation homomorphism

Evaluation homomorphism $\alpha \in R$:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_\alpha : R[x] &\rightarrow R \\ P(x) &\mapsto P(\alpha)\end{aligned}$$

Proposition 5.16: 11.3.4: Substitution Principle

$\phi : R \rightarrow S$ a ring homomorphism

- (a) $\alpha \in S$, then there exists a unique $\Phi : R[x] \rightarrow S$ which agrees with ϕ on $R = \text{constant polynomials} \subseteq R(x)$

and so that $x \mapsto \alpha$. That is,

$$\begin{cases} \Phi(r) = \phi(r) & r \in R \\ \Phi(x) = \alpha \end{cases}$$

(i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(r_0 + r_1x + r_2x^2 + \dots + r_nx^n) &= \Phi(r_0) + \Phi(r_1)\Phi(x) + \dots \\ &= \phi(r_0) + \phi(r_1)\alpha + \phi(r_2)\alpha^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- (b) $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in S$, there exists unique $\Phi : R[x_1, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow S$ that agrees with ϕ on R = degree 0 polynomials $\subseteq R[x]$ and $\Phi(\alpha_i) = x_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Proof. Check that Φ is a ring homomorphism first, we'll skip addition and identity check here. Then multiplication: Let

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^n a_i x^i; \\ g(x) &= \sum_{j=0}^n b_j x^j. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(fg) &= \Phi\left(\sum_{i,j=0}^n a_i b_j x^{i+j}\right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=0}^n \Phi(a_i b_j x^{i+j}) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=0}^n \phi(a_i b_j) \alpha^{i+j} \\ &= \sum_{i,j=0}^n \phi(a_i) \phi(b_j) \alpha^{i+j} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \phi(a_i) \alpha^i\right) \left(\sum_{j=0}^n \phi(b_j) \alpha^j\right) \\ &= \Phi(f) \Phi(g) \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 5.17. Look at

$$\begin{aligned} \psi : R &\rightarrow S \\ i : S &\hookrightarrow S[x] \end{aligned}$$

Compose: $\phi = (i \circ \psi) : R \rightarrow S[x]$. Apply substitution principle, ϕ can be extended to $R[x]$, $\Phi : R[x] \rightarrow S[x]$, which is a coefficient change homomorphism.

Specific example: $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p, a \mapsto \bar{a}(\text{mod } p)$. Then $\Phi : \mathbb{Z}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p[x]$, i.e.

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n \mapsto \bar{f}(x) = \bar{a}_0 + \bar{a}_1x + \bar{a}_2x^2 + \dots + \bar{a}_nx^n$$

which changes in coefficient from \mathbb{Z} to \mathbb{F}_p .

Another example: $R, P = R[x]$, apply substitution principle,

$$\Phi : R[x, y] \rightarrow P[y] = R[x][y]$$

$$p(x, y) = p_0 + p_1(x)y + p_2(x)y^2 + \dots + p_n(x)y^n$$

Proposition 5.18: 11.3.10

R be a ring, exists unique homomorphism $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R$ defined

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : \mathbb{Z} &\rightarrow R \\ n &\mapsto \underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_{n \text{ times}} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 5.19: Kernel of Ring

Kernel of $\phi : R \rightarrow S$ is: $\ker(\phi) = \{r \in R \mid \phi(r) = 0_s\}$

Definition 5.20: Ideal

The ideal $I \subseteq R$ subset closed under $+$ and \cdot such that

$$s \in I, r \in R \implies rs \in I$$

Main example: the kernel $\ker(\phi)$ are ideals

Point (defining feature of ideal): linear combination of elements in I with coefficients in R are still in I .

Definition 5.21: Principle Ideal

The principle ideal generate by $a \in R$ is: $I = aR = Ra = (a) = \{ra \mid r \in R\}$. We have

- $(1) = 1R = R$
- $a \in R \text{ unit} \implies (a) = R$
 $(a) = (ra \mid r \in R)$, but since a is a unit, we have $a^{-1} \in R$. Since $a \in (a), a^{-1}a \in (a) \implies 1 \in (a) \implies (a) = R$
- $(0) = 0R = \{0\}$ which is the trivial ideal (or zero ideal)

Example 5.22. Define

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_2 : \mathbb{R}[x] &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x &\mapsto 2\end{aligned}$$

Then the kernel is $\ker(\phi_2) = \{p(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x] \mid p(2) = 0\}$. Then by fundamental theorem of algebra,

$$\begin{aligned}p(2) = 0 &\Leftrightarrow (x - 2) \mid p(x) \\ &\Leftrightarrow p(x) = q(x)(x - 2)\end{aligned}$$

So $\ker(\phi_2) = \{q(x)(x - 2) \mid q(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]\} = (x - 2) = (x - 2)\mathbb{R}[x]$

Example 5.23. Look at the homomorphism

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi : \mathbb{R}[x, y] &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}[t] \\ x &\mapsto t^2 \\ y &\mapsto t^3\end{aligned}$$

See $f(x, y) = x^3 - y^2 \in \ker(\Phi)$ since $f(t^2, t^3) = t^6 - t^6 = 0 \implies f \in \ker(\Phi)$. Now want to prove another containment: $\ker(\Phi) \subseteq (f)$. Consider $g \in \mathbb{R}[x, y]$ such that $g(t^2, t^3) = 0$. Since $f \in \mathbb{R}[x, y] = \mathbb{R}[x][y]$ is monic, so we can divide g by f :

$$g(x, y) = f(x, y)q(x, y) + r(x, y)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}f(x, y) &= y^2 - x^3 \\ &= a_2(x)y^2 + a_1(x)y + a_0(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x][y]\end{aligned}$$

By division algorithm, $\deg_y(r(x, y)) < \deg_y(f) = 2$, so

$$r(x, y) = r_1(x)y + r_0(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x][y]$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= g(t^2, t^3) = q(t^2, t^3)f(t^2, t^3) + r(t^2, t^3) \\ &= 0 + r(t^2, t^3) \quad (f \in \ker(\Phi) \implies \text{ideal } qf \in \ker(\Phi)) \\ &\implies r(t^2, t^3) = 0 \\ &\quad r_1(t^2)t^3 + r_0(t^2) = 0\end{aligned}$$

Since odd degree monomial + even degree monomial can't be zero, $r(x, y) = 0 \implies g(x, y) = f(x, y)q(x, y) \implies g \in (f) \implies \ker(\Phi) \subseteq (f)$

NICE FACT: $\mathbb{Q}[x], \mathbb{Z}$ are PID (**Principle ideal domain**) where all ideals are principle

Example 5.24. Look at another homomorphism (find the kernel)

$$\begin{aligned}\phi : \mathbb{Z}[x] &\rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p \\ f(x) &\mapsto f(0)(\text{mod } p)\end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) = p \in \mathbb{Z}[x] &\implies f(0) = p = 0(\text{mod } p) \implies p \in \ker(\phi) \\ f(x) = x \in \mathbb{Z}[x] &\implies f(0) = 0 = 0(\text{mod } p) \implies x \in \ker(\phi) \\ &\implies (p, x) \subseteq \ker(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

Now we want to show $\ker(\phi) \subseteq (p, x)$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k \in \mathbb{Z}[x] &\implies f(0) = a_0 \\ &\implies a_0 \equiv 0(\text{mod } p) \\ &\implies a_0 = bp \\ f(x) &= a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n a_k x^k \\ &= bp + x \sum_{k=1}^n a_k x^{k-1} \\ &= g_1(x)p + g_2(x)x\end{aligned}$$

$$(p, x) \text{ is an ideal of } \mathbb{Z}[x] \implies \ker(\phi) \subseteq (p, x)$$

5.4 Play with Field

Proposition 5.25: 11.3.19

- (a) the only two ideals in a field F are $(0) = \{0\}$ and $(1) = F$
- (b) R with exactly two ideals, then R is a field

Corollary 5.26

Every homomorphism $F \rightarrow R$ is injective.

Proof. $\ker(\phi)$ is an ideal and so $\ker(\phi) = 0$ or 1 . Can't be (1) , because otherwise $\phi(x) \equiv 0$, then $\phi(1) = 1$ not a ring homomorphism. So only choice is $\ker(\phi) = \{0\} \implies \phi$ □

generator of $\ker(\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow R)$ is called characteristic of R

Proposition 5.27: 11.3.22

F is a field $\implies F[x]$ is a PID. And every ideal of $F[x]$ is generated by a unique monic polynomial of lowest degree in I .

Example 5.28. $\Phi : \mathbb{Q}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, x \mapsto 2^{\frac{1}{3}} = \gamma$. $\ker(\Phi) = K \subseteq \mathbb{Q}[x]$ ideal generated by monic polynomial of minimum degree having $f(\gamma) = 0$.

Consider $f(x) = x^3 - 2$ monic, $\in K \subseteq \mathbb{Q}[x]$. Note that $x^3 - 2 \neq g(x)h(x)$ for $\deg g, \deg h < 3 \implies x^3 - 2$ is minimum degree in $K \implies K = (x^3 - 2)$

Lemma 5.28.1: 11.3.24

If $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ monic and $f \mid g$ in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$, then $f \mid g$ in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$

Proof. Some intuition from an example: $g(x) = x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{3} \implies 6g(x) = 6x^2 + 3x + 2 \implies f \mid 6g \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$ \square

Corollary 5.29

$R = F[x]$, F is a field, $f, g \in R$. Now define $\gcd(f, g) =$ unique monic polynomial of minimum degree generated by (f, g) . Recall, $a\mathbb{Z} + b\mathbb{Z} = \gcd(a, b)\mathbb{Z}$ as subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$. Let $d = \gcd(f, g)$,

- (a) $Rd = Rf + Rg$
- (b) $d \mid f, d \mid g$ in R
- (c) $h \mid f, h \mid g \implies h \mid d$
- (d) $d = pf + qg$ for some $p, q \in R$

Definition 5.30

The characteristic of a ring R is the minimum n so that $\underbrace{1 + 1 + \dots + 1}_n = 0$

Example 5.31. $\mathbb{F}_p : \text{char}(\mathbb{F}_p) = p$

$\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} : \text{char} = n$

$\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{Z} : \text{char} = 0$

5.5 Quotient Rings

Definition 5.32

Let $I \subseteq R$ an ideal, $\implies I^+ \leq R^+$ (subgroup of the additive group R). Then the cosets of I^+ are $a + I$. And then we'll see that $R/I :=$ the set of cosets $a + I$ is a ring

Theorem 5.33: 11.4.1

$I \subseteq R$ ideal, there exists unique ring structure on R/I so that the function $\pi : R \rightarrow R/I, a \mapsto a + I = \bar{a}$ is a ring homomorphism whose kernel is I .

Proof. (partial proof)

Look at multiplication in R/I . The set

$$P = (a + I)(b + I) = \{rs \mid r \in a + I, s \in b + I\}$$

is not always a coset ($\neq c + I$). But $P \subseteq ab + I$. If $r = a + u \in a + I, s = b + v \in b + I (u, v \in I)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} rs &= (a + u)(b + v) \\ &= ab + av + ub + bv \in ab + I \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 5.34: 11.4.2 Mapping(Universal) property of quotient ring

- $f : R \rightarrow S$ be a ring homomorphism, $K = \ker(f)$
- $I \subseteq R$ ideal with $\pi : R \rightarrow R/I$ (canonical map)

Then

- (a) $I \subseteq K$ then exists unique $\bar{f} : R/I \rightarrow S$ so that $\bar{f} \circ \pi = f$
- (b) **First isomorphism for rings:** f surjective, $I = K \implies \bar{f}$ is isomorphism

Theorem 5.35: 11.4.3 Correspondence theorem

Let $\phi : R \rightarrow S$ surjective, $K = \ker(\phi)$. Then we have bijection:

$$\begin{aligned} \{K \subseteq I \subseteq R\} &\longleftrightarrow \{J \subseteq S\} \\ I &\longmapsto \phi(I) \\ \phi^{-1}(J) &\longleftarrow J \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 5.36

$$I \longleftrightarrow J \implies R/I \cong S/J$$

Example 5.37. Look at

$$\phi : \mathbb{C}[x, y] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[t]$$

$$x \mapsto t$$

$$y \mapsto t^2$$

Then $\ker(\phi) = (y - x^2) \subseteq \mathbb{C}[x, y] \longleftrightarrow J \subseteq \mathbb{C}[t]$. Now know: $\mathbb{C}[t]$ is a PID $\implies J = (f(t))$. Consider $I_1 = (y - x^2, f(x))$, $K \subseteq I$ and $\phi(I_1) = J$

5.6 Maximal Ideal

Consider a homomorphism $\phi : R \rightarrow F$. Then the ideals of ϕ are:

$$I_\phi = \phi^{-1}((0)), \text{ and } \phi^{-1}((1))$$

We know $R = \phi^{-1}((1)) = \phi^{-1}(F)$. Recall that fields only have 2 ideals: (0) and (1) (Notation: $(a) = aR = \{ar \mid r \in R\}$). If we apply correspondence theorem to the homomorphism, the only ideals of R that contain I are I and R . Because of this, I is called a maximal ideal.

Definition 5.38: Maximal Ideal

The maximal ideal M is a proper ideal ($M \neq R$) that is not contained in any other proper ideal.

Proposition 5.39: 11.8.2

- (1) Let $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$ be a surjective ring homomorphism, with kernel I . The image R' is a field if and only if I is a maximal ideal.
- (2) An ideal I of a ring R is maximal if and only if $\overline{R} = R/I$ is a field.
- (3) The zero ideal of a ring R is maximal if and only if R is a field.

Proposition 5.40: 11.8.3

The maximal ideal of the ring \mathbb{Z} of integers are the principal ideals generated by prime integers

Proof. We know \mathbb{Z} is a PID. Consider a principle ideal generated by n . If n is a prime, then $\mathbb{Z}/(n) = \mathbb{F}_p$ is a field $\implies (n)$ is a maximal. If n is not prime, then $n = 0, 1$, or has form of $n = ab$ where $1 < a < n$. It's clear that zero and unit ideal is no maximal. And notice $1 \notin (a)$, $a \notin (n)$, $n \in (a)$, so $(n) < (a) < R$. So (n) is not a maximal. \square

Definition 5.41: Irreducible

A polynomial with coefficients in a field is called irreducible if it is not constant and if it is not the product of the two non-constant polynomials.

Proposition 5.42: 11.8.4

- (a) Let F be a field. The maximal ideals of $F[x]$ are the principal ideals generated by the monic irreducible polynomials.
- (b) Let $\phi : F[x] \rightarrow R'$ be a homomorphism to an integral domain R' and let P be the kernel of ϕ . P is either a maximal ideal or $P = (0)$.