

1. Every permutation in S_n can be uniquely factorized as prod. of disjoint cycles. each cycle is product of transpositions.
2. Review the def. of left cosets. Go through section 2.9.
3. Review def. of gp. hom. 2 examples 2.5.13 / 2.10.6.
1. Def 1.5.11 (sign of permutations).

For $p \in S_n$. a basis $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ of n -dim V .

p acts $\{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ by $e_i \mapsto e_{p(i)}$

$\Rightarrow p$ gives a linear transformation $V \rightarrow V$

$\Rightarrow p$ can be written into an $n \times n$ -matrix, denoted by P .

$$\text{sign } p = \det P = \{\pm 1\}.$$

Example: $p = (1 2) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & \\ 1 & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = P. \quad \text{sign } p = \det P = -1.$

If $\text{sign } p = -1$, it is called odd.

$\text{sign } p = 1$, it is called even.

Prop: Every permutation in S_n can be uniquely factorized as prod. of disjoint cycles. each cycle is product of transpositions.

Pf: Given a permutation $p \in S_n$.

Define an equivalence relation on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\} = S$.

$$x \sim y \text{ iff } x = p^k y. \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{If } x \sim y. \quad y \sim z \quad x = p^k y. \quad y = p^{k'} z \Rightarrow x = p^{k+k'} z. \quad x \sim z$$

$$\text{If } x \sim y, \quad x = p^k y \Rightarrow y = p^{-k} x. \Rightarrow y \sim x.$$

$$x = x \Rightarrow x \sim x.$$

$\Rightarrow \sim$ is an equi. relation.

By Prop 2.7.4. An equi. relation on a set S determines a partition of S , and conversely.

Suppose S is divided into k parts by " \sim ". pick representative elements a_1, \dots, a_k .

$a_1, p(a_1), p^2(a_1), \dots$. At some $n_k \in \mathbb{N}$, $p^{n_k} a_1 = a_1$

The permutation p restricted on $\{a_1, p(a_1), p^2(a_1), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_1)\}$ is a cycle. $= (a_1, p(a_1), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_1))$.

$$p = (a_1, p(a_1), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_1)) (a_2, p(a_2), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_2)) \dots (a_k, p(a_k), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_k)).$$

$$\{a'_1, \dots, a'_k \mid a'_i \sim a_i\}. (a'_1, p(a'_1), \dots, p^{n_k}(a'_1)).$$

Since $a'_i \sim a_i$. $a'_i = p^i a_i$.

$$\Rightarrow (p^1 a_1, p^{n_k+1} a_1, \dots, p^{1+n_k-1} a_1) = (a_1, p(a_1), \dots, p^{n_k}(a_1))$$

\Rightarrow The factorization of p into disjoint cycles is unique.



Prop: Every cycle can be written as prod. of transpositions.

Pf: Given a cycle $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k) = (i_1, i_2)(i_2, i_3) \dots (i_{k-1}, i_k)$
 $= (i_1, i_k)(i_1, i_{k-1}) \dots (i_1, i_2)$.



Therefore we can conclude that every permutation in S_n is prod. of transpositions.

2. Def: (left cosets): If H is a subgp. of G . $a \in G$.

$$aH \hat{=} \{ah \mid h \in H\}. \text{ (left coset of } H\text{)}$$

$$Ha \hat{=} \{ha \mid h \in H\}.$$

Left cosets in G are equi. classes for the congruence relation

Given $a, b \in G$. $a \equiv b$ iff $\exists h \in H$ st. $ah = b$.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bullet a \equiv b, b \equiv c \Leftrightarrow \exists h, h' \in H \quad ah = b \quad bh' = c \\ \qquad \Rightarrow (ah)h' = c \\ \qquad \Rightarrow a \underbrace{(hh')}_{\in H} = c \Rightarrow a \equiv c. \\ \\ \bullet a \equiv b. \quad \exists h \text{ st. } ah = b. \Rightarrow a = b h^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow b \equiv a. \\ \bullet a = a \in H \Rightarrow a \equiv a. \end{array} \right.$$

Therefore. congruence relation is an equivalence relation.

§2.9. Modular arithmetic.

The case of \mathbb{Z}

For two integers a, b , they are said to be congruent mod n .
 $(a \equiv b \pmod{n})$ iff n divides $a-b$.

This is an equi. relation. The equi. class of a is \bar{a} .

$$\bar{a} = \{ \dots, a-n, a, a+n, a+2n, \dots \}$$

Prop. If $a \equiv a' \pmod{n}$, $b \equiv b' \pmod{n}$, then $ab \equiv a'b' \pmod{n}$
 $ab \equiv a'b' \pmod{n}$.

Pf: $a-a'=kn$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$; $b-b'=ln$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Leftrightarrow a &= a'+kn, \quad b = b'+ln. \Rightarrow a+b = a'+b'+kn+ln \quad \{ \Rightarrow ab \equiv a'b' \\ &= a'+b'+(k+l)n. \quad \} \\ \Rightarrow ab &= (a'+kn)(b'+ln) \\ &= a'b' + \cancel{knb'} + \cancel{lnc'} + \cancel{kln^2} \\ &= a'b' + (kb' + la' + kln) n \end{aligned}$$

Thus $ab \equiv a'b' \pmod{n}$.



3. Def (gp. hom.). G, G' are g.p.s. $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a map.

φ is a gp. hom. iff $\forall a, b \in G$. $\varphi(ab) = (\varphi(a))\varphi(b)$.

Properties (Cor 2.8.13). Let $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a hom. of finite g.p.s
 Then:

- $|G| = |\text{Ker } \varphi| |Im \varphi|$
- $|\text{Ker } \varphi|$ divides $|G|$
- $|\text{Im } \varphi|$ divides both $|G|$ and $|G'|$.

An example of gp. hom.: (Example 2.5.13).

$$\boxed{\varphi: S_4 \rightarrow S_3.} \quad S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}.$$

There're 3 ways to partition it into two parts with each part has 2 elements.

$$\Pi_1 = \{1, 2\} \cup \{3, 4\}.$$

$$\Pi_2 = \{1, 3\} \cup \{2, 4\}$$

$$\Pi_3 = \{1, 4\} \cup \{2, 3\}.$$

For a permutation $\varphi \in S_4$. its action on S , will give a permutation on $\{\Pi_1, \Pi_2, \Pi_3\}$.

$$p = (1\ 2) \cdot \begin{cases} \Pi_1 \mapsto \{2, 1\}, \{3, 4\} = \Pi_1 \\ \Pi_2 \mapsto \{2, 3\}, \{1, 4\} = \Pi_2 \\ \Pi_3 \mapsto \{2, 4\}, \{1, 3\} = \Pi_3 \end{cases} \quad p = (1\ 2) \mapsto (2\ 3) \in S_3. \quad \varphi(p) = (2\ 3).$$

Given $p, q \in S_4$. $\Pi_1 \mapsto \Pi_{\varphi(p)(1)} = \{p(1), p(2)\} \cup \{p(3), p(4)\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_{\varphi(q)\varphi(p)(1)} &= \{q(p(1)), q(p(2))\} \cup \{q(p(3)), q(p(4))\} \\ &= \{qp(1), qp(2)\} \cup \{qp(3), qp(4)\} \\ &= \Pi_{\varphi(qp)(1)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(q)\varphi(p) = \varphi(qp).$$

- This hom. is surjective

$$S_3 = (1) \quad \underline{(1\ 2)} \quad (2\ 3) \quad \underline{(3\ 1)}$$

$$\begin{matrix} (1\ 2\ 3) & (1\ 3\ 2) \\ \uparrow & \swarrow \\ (1\ 2\ 4) \in S_4 & (1\ 2\ 3) \in S_4 \end{matrix}$$

$\varphi: S_4 \rightarrow S_3$ is surjective. it is not injective $|S_4| = 24$
 $|S_3| = 6$.

- $|\text{Ker } \varphi| = 4$. $\text{Ker } \varphi = \{(1), (12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(23)\}$

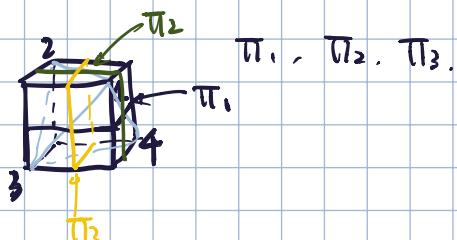
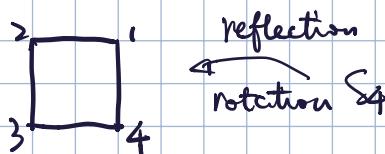
Example 2.10.b. S_3 has a subgp. of order 3.

3 subgps. of order 2.

By the correspondence theorem. S_4 has a subgroup of order $12 = 3 \times 4$ |Ker φ |

has 3 subgroups of order 8.

There're no other subgroups containing $\text{Ker } \varphi$.



By the 1st iso. thm. $S_4 / \text{Ker } \varphi \cong S_3$.