

## Chapter 1 Preliminaries

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{Q} = \left\{ \frac{p}{q} : p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0 \right\}$$

$\mathbb{R}$  = real numbers

$$\mathbb{C} = \{a+bi : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \text{ & } i^2 = -1\}$$

Hernstein uses  $A \subset B$  to mean  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ , not the standard "proper subset" meaning.

### # Basic Sets

Let  $n\mathbb{Z}$  denote the set  $\{nm : m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Let's prove  $2\mathbb{Z} \cap 3\mathbb{Z} = 6\mathbb{Z}$

Suppose  $x \in 6\mathbb{Z}$ . Prove  $x \in 2\mathbb{Z} \cap 3\mathbb{Z}$ . We show  $x \in 6\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x \in 2\mathbb{Z} \wedge x \in 3\mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x \in 6\mathbb{Z} &\Rightarrow x = 6m \quad (\text{from } x = 6m \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{Z}) \\
 \Rightarrow x &= 6m = 2(3m) \quad 2m \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \& \quad x = 2(3m), \quad 3m \in \mathbb{Z} \\
 \Rightarrow x &\in 2\mathbb{Z} \quad \& \quad x \in 3\mathbb{Z} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

$$x \in 2\mathbb{Z} \cap 3\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in 2\mathbb{Z} \quad \& \quad x \in 3\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2a \quad x = 3b \quad \text{for } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a = 3b \quad \text{for } a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \text{is this too much of a jump}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(3c) = 3(2c)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6c \quad \text{for } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in 6\mathbb{Z}$$

### # Set Operations

$$A \cap B = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \in B\}$$

$$A \cup B = \{x \mid x \in A \vee x \in B\}$$

$$A \setminus B = \{x \in A \mid x \notin B\} = \{x \mid x \in A \wedge x \notin B\}$$

$$A' = A^c = \{x \mid x \notin A\}$$

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$$

# # Induction

We will use induction in this course by assuming the well-ordering principle rather than the principle of mathematical induction. These are equivalent axioms.

We will be painfully explicit in this class, explicitly defining proposition  $p_i$  for  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , proving it true for  $n_0$  (i.e.  $p_{n_0}$  is true), showing  $p_{i+1}$  is true if  $p_i$  is true for  $i > n_0$ .

Example:

Prove 3 divides  $4^n - 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$ . Equivalently

Equivalently, we show  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $3k = 4^n - 1 \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$ . This is our proposition  $p_n$ .

We show  $p_0$  holds:  $3k_0 = 4^0 - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$  where  $k_0 = 0 \in \mathbb{Z} \& k_0 \geq 0$ .

Now, assume  $p_i$  is true. We show  $p_{i+1}$  is true.

$$3k_i = 4^i - 1 \text{ for some } k_i \in \mathbb{Z}, \text{ assumed}$$

$$4(3k_i) = 4^{i+1} - 4$$

$$4(3k_i) + 3 = 4^{i+1} - 1$$

$$3(4k_i + 1) = 4^{i+1} - 1$$

$$\underbrace{3(4k_i + 1)}_{k_{i+1}} = 4^{i+1} - 1$$

We have just shown  $p_{i+1}$  holds given  $p_i$  holds, in particular where  $k_{i+1} = 4k_i + 1$ .

By the PMI (principle of mathematical induction),  $\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $3k = 4^n - 1 \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$ . Thus 3 divides  $4^n - 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$ .

Def: Prime

A prime is any integer which has exactly 2 unique natural number factors.  
(1 & itself)

Thm: Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic

Every positive integer  $n \geq 2$  is a product of 1 or more primes.

That is if  $n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_s = q_1 q_2 \dots q_t$  where  $p_i \& q_j$  are primes, then  $s=t$  & after rearrangement  $p_i = q_i$   $i=1, \dots, t$ . (or  $\{p_i\} = \{q_i\}$ ).

Pf:

Let our proposition be  $r_n$  (not  $p$  b/c we're already using that for primes).

Let  $m$  be an integer  $m \geq 2$  such that  $r_m$  is true. We show  $r_{m+1}$  is true.

$$m = p_1 \dots p_s \text{ where } p_1, \dots, p_s \text{ are primes}$$

$$m+1 = q_1 \dots q_t + 1$$

Case  $m+1$  is prime!

Trivially  $r_{m+1}$  is true.

Case  $m+1$  is not prime.

Tough! We'll get to in a bit

Def: Well-Ordering Principle

Any non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{N}$  has a smallest element  $s_0$ , that is  $\forall s \in S \subseteq \mathbb{N}, s_0 \leq s$ .

This is equivalent to the Principle of Mathematical Induction.

Def: Extended Well-Ordering Principle

This is the same as the well-ordering principle except on  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

This is equivalent b/c if  $0 \in S$  then 0 is the smallest element. Otherwise the well-ordering principle applies.

With the well-ordering principle, let's return to the Fundamental theorem of arithmetic

FFI: cont.

We prove that given  $m \in \mathbb{Z}, m \geq 2$  &  $r_m$  holds, we show  $m+1$  holds in the case where  $m+1$  is not prime.

We prove this by contradiction by assuming that there is indeed a positive integer  $n \geq 2$  but  $n$  is not a product of one or more primes!

Let  $S = \{x \in \mathbb{N} \mid x \geq 2 \text{ & } x \text{ is not a product of 1 or more primes}\}$ .  
By definition  $S \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  &  $S \neq \emptyset$  b/c we assume some  $n$  is in  $S$ .

By the well-ordering principle,  $S$  has a smallest element  $m$ .

Since  $m \in S$ ,  $m$  is not a prime. Since  $m$  is not a p

Since  $m$  is not a prime, there are some integers  $1 < a < m, 1 < b < m$  such that  $m = ab$ .

Since  $m$  is the smallest element of  $S$ ,  $a \notin S$  &  $b \notin S$ .

This means  $a$  &  $b$  are the products of 1 or more primes.

That means  $m = ab$  is the product of 1 or more primes.

Therefore  $m \notin S$ . Contradiction!

(Sorry for making this so wordy, I was following her.)

# Division

### Theorem: Division Algorithm (for Integers)

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $b \neq 0$ . Then  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$a = bq + r \quad \& \quad 0 \leq r < |b|$$

We're computing  $a/b$ , where  $q$  is the quotient &  $r$  is the remainder

When we use  $b=2$ , then we get even/odd integers. That is every integer  $k$  has a  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $k=2a$  or  $k=2a+1$

$q$  &  $r$  are also unique, but we won't show that now.

Examples:

Let  $a=20$  &  $b=3$ ,  $q=6$ ,  $r=2$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} a \\ b \\ \hline q \\ r \end{array} \quad 20 = 3(6) + 2$$

Let  $a=-20$  &  $b=3$ ,  $q=-7$ ,  $r=1$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} a \\ b \\ \hline q \\ r \end{array} \quad 20 = 3(-7) + 1$$

We call it the extended division algorithm

We'd want  $q=-6$  &  $r=-2$ , but  $r$  needs to be positive so you "wrap around" forward causing you to push  $q$  back

$$20 = 3(-6) - 2 = 3(-6) - 2 + 3 - 3 = 3(-7) + 1$$

Let  $a=-20$  &  $b=-3$ ,  $q=7$ ,  $r=1$ .

Pf:

Let's consider where  $b > 0$ . Let  $S = \{a - bq : q \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ & } a - bq \geq 0\}$ . We show  $S \neq \emptyset$ . We show  $S \neq \emptyset$  to be able to use the well-ordering principle (only non-negative elements).

If  $a \geq 0$  then  $a - b \cdot 0 \in S$  so  $S \neq \emptyset$ .

If  $a < 0$ ,  $a - ba = a(1-b) \geq 0 \in S$  since  $a < 0$  &  $1-b \leq 0$ , so  $S \neq \emptyset$ .

$$a - ba = a(1-b) \geq 0 \text{ since}$$

Since  $S$  is a non-empty subset of  $\mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , we can use the extended well ordering principle. Let  $r$  be the smallest element of  $S$ .

Since  $r \in S$ , there exists an integer  $q$  such that  $r = a - bq \geq 0$ , so  $a = bq + r$  where  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $r \geq 0$ .

We still need to show  $r < |b| = b$ . To show this, assume for contradiction

that  $r \geq b$ . In that case  $r - b \geq 0$ . Moreover  $r - b < r$  since  $b > 0$ .

Since  $r = a - bq$  for some  $q$ ,  $r - b$

$$r - b = (a - bq) - b = a - b(q+1),$$

Since  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $q+1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore  $r - b \in S$ , but  $r - b < r$  & we said  $r$  is the smallest element. Therefore  $r < b$  must be true.

Now consider when  $b < 0$ . Then  $-b$  is a positive integer. By the above proof, there exist integers  $q < r$  s.t.  $a = -b(q+r)$  where  $0 \leq r \leq -b = |b|$ . Then  $a = b(-q) + r$  where  $-q < b < r$  are integers &  $0 \leq r \leq |b|$ .

We have thus shown the division algorithm holds when  $b < 0$  &  $b > 0$ , so we have proved the theorem.

We can use the division algorithm to get other algorithms such as the greatest common divisor.

Def: Greatest Common Divisor (GCD)

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . An integer  $d$  is said to be the greatest common divisor iff

(i)  $d > 0$ ,  $a$  and  $b$

(ii)  $d$  divides  $a$  &  $d$  divides  $b$ , &

(iii) if  $c$  is a non-zero integer that divides  $a$  &  $b$ ,  
 $c$  divides  $d$ .

We denote  $d$  by  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ .

Rem:

This division algorithm generalizes to other algebraic systems

Thm:

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  & not both  $= 0$ , then

- the greatest common divisor of  $a$  &  $b$   $\gcd(a, b)$  exists
- there exists integers  $s$  &  $t$  s.t.  $\gcd(a, b) = as + bt$

PF:

We again use the well ordering principle.

Let  $S = \{as + bt : s, t \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ & } as + bt > 0\}$ .

We show  $S \neq \emptyset$ .

If  $a \neq 0$ ,  $a(1) + b(0) = a > 0$  when  $a > 0$ , &  $a(-1) + b(0) = -a > 0$  when  $a < 0$ .

Likewise for  $b$ .

Therefore  $S \neq \emptyset$ .

By the well-ordering-principle  $S$  has a smallest element we denote  $d$ .

So  $d > 0 \exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $d = as + bt$

Trivially  $d > 0$  (i). i.e.  $d$  divides  $d$ .

We show (ii).

Let  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $c$  divides  $a$  &  $c$  divides  $b$ .

By def  $\exists x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a = cx$  &  $b = cy$   
 $\Rightarrow d = ax + by = cx + cy = d(x + y)$

Since  $x + y \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $d$  divides  $d$ .

We now show (i), that is  $d$  divides  $a$  &  $d$  divides  $b$ . The method below can be done equivalently for  $a \neq b$ , even tho only  $a$  is shown.

By the division algorithm,  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a = dq + r$   $0 \leq r < |d| = d$  ← recall  $d > 0$   
To show  $d$  divides  $a$ , we show  $r=0$ .

Assume for contradiction that  $r \neq 0$  so  $0 < r < d$ .

$$\begin{aligned}r &= a - dq \\&= a - (as + bt)q \\&= a - asq - btq \\&= a(1 - sq) + b(-tq)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $r \in S$ , but  $r \neq d$  &  $d$  is the smallest element of  $S$ .

Therefore  $r=0$ .

Therefore (i).

We have thus shown (i), (ii), & (iii).

This isn't normally how we calculate  $\gcd(a, b)$ . Instead we use the Euclidean algorithm.

Thm:

$\gcd(0, 0)$  is undefined.

Pf:

This proof comes b/c all integers divide 0 & 0.

Suppose  $d = \gcd(0, 0)$  exists.

Let  $c = d+1$ ,  $c$  divides 0 & 0 but not  $d$ , thus (iii) is violated.

i: No  $d$  exists.

Should formally show  $c = d+1$  doesn't divide  $d$ .

Thm:

If  $a=0$  &  $b > 0$  then  $\gcd(a, b) = b$ .

Let  $d=b$ . We show  $d = \gcd(a, b)$ .

Since  $b > 0$ ,  $d > 0$ . Thus (i).

$d = b$  divides  $a=0$  where  $a = d(0)$  & divides  $b$  where  $b = d(1)$ , thus (ii).

Let  $c$  be a non-zero integer that divides  $a$  &  $b$ .  $c$  divides  $d = b$  trivially b/c  $c$  divides  $b$ . Thus (iii).

Therefore, when  $a=0$  &  $b > 0$   $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\gcd(a, b) = b$ .

Thm:

Let  $a=0$  &  $b < 0$ .  $\gcd(a, b) = -b$ . This fails from the previous theorem.

We have thus shown  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$ ,  $\gcd(n, 0) = \gcd(0, n) = n$ .

# Euclid's algorithm

Example:

Let  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  be such that  $\gcd(123456, 1000) = 123456s + 1000t$

$\gcd(123456, 1000) = 123456(s+1000) + 1000(t-123456)$  also holds  
 $\gcd(123456, 1000) = 123456(s-2000) + 1000(t+2 \cdot 123456)$  also holds

In general when  $a, b, s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  where not both  $a=0$  &  $b=0$ .

$$\gcd(a, b) = a(s+bn) + b(t-an) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

This is equivalent to  $\gcd(a, b) = as+bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  but it uses some fixed  $s$  &  $t$ . In fact, from some fixed  $s$  &  $t$  you can get all possible  $s'$  &  $t'$ .

Def:

Two integers  $a$  &  $b$  are relatively prime or coprime iff  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$

Example:

$2 \times 3$  are relatively prime.  $2 \times 4$  are not.

Example:

Let  $p$  be a prime &  $a$  be an integer. What is the GCD of  $p$  &  $a$ ?

If  $p$  divides  $a$ ,  $\gcd(p, a) = p$

If  $p$  does not divide  $a$ ,  $\gcd(p, a) = 1$  &  $p$  &  $a$  are relatively prime.  
This means  $1 = ps+at$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$

Thm:

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  be both not zero.  $1 = as+bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  iff  $a$  &  $b$  are relatively prime.

If:  $a, b$  coprime  $\Rightarrow \exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $1 = as+bt$

We show:  $a \times b$  coprime  $\Rightarrow 1 = as+bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$

This falls from the definition of  $a, b$  coprime ( $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ )  
& the theorem  $\gcd(a, b) = as+bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$

IF:  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $1 = as+bt \Rightarrow a, b$  coprime

Suppose  $1 = as+bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We show  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$   
so  $a$  &  $b$  are relatively prime. The Roman numerals are the parts of the definition of GCD.

Trivially  $(> 0)$ . (i)

$i$  divides  $a$  where  $a = l(a)$  &  $i$  divides  $b = l(b)$ . (i)

Let  $c$  divide  $a$  &  $b$ , so  $a = q_a c$  &  $b = q_b c$  for some  $q_a, q_b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $1 = ac + bt = q_a c s + q_b c t = c(l(q_a s + q_b t))$ , so  $c$  divides 1. (iii)  $\square$

Thm:

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a \neq 0$ ,  $a$  divides  $bc$ , &  $a, b$  coprime.  
Then  $a$  divides  $c$ .

Pf:

Since  $a, b$  coprime, then  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $1 = as + bt$ .

Since  $a$  divides  $bc$ ,  $bc = aw$  for some  $w \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$c = 1 \circ c = (as + bt)c = asc + btc = asc + (bc)t = asc + awt = a(sc + wt)$$

Therefore,  $a$  divides  $c$ .

Thm:

Suppose that  $p$  is a prime. A  $p$  divides  $bc$  where  $b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  
Then  $p$  divides  $b$  or  $p$  divides  $c$

Pf:

We split this into two cases.

If  $p$  divides  $b$ , then the theorem holds trivially.  $\square$

If  $p$  doesn't divide  $b$ , then  $p$  &  $b$  are relatively prime, so

$\gcd(p, b) = 1 = ps + bt$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$   $\nmid$  unnecessary

By the earlier theorem  $p$  divides  $c$ .  $\square$

In both cases,  $p$  divides  $b$  or  $p$  divides  $c$ .

This does not hold for non-primes.

Cor:

Suppose  $p$  is a prime,  $k$  is a positive integer, &  $b_1, \dots, b_k$  are integers such that  $p$  divides  $b_1, \dots, b_k$ .

Then there exists an integer  $i$   $1 \leq i \leq k$  such that  $p$  divides  $b_i$ .  
Basically  $p$  divides at least one  $b_i$ .

This can be shown easily w/ induction.

Thm:

Let  $n$  be a positive integer &  $p_1, \dots, p_n$  be primes. Let  $M = p_1 \cdots p_n + 1$

Then  $M$  is relatively prime with all primes  $p_i$ .

Let  $i \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .  $M + (-p_1 \cdots p_i + p_i + \cdots + p_n) = 1$  by rearranging the above eqn.

Therefore,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $M, p_i$  coprime.  $\square$

This works similarly for all subsets of  $p_1, \dots, p_n$

## Def: Function Composition

Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g: B \rightarrow C$  be functions.

The composition  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is

$$(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))$$

Note that  $\text{Rng}(f) = \text{Dom}(g) = B$  might not always be true.  
You're only guaranteed  $\text{Rng}(f) \subseteq \text{Dom}(g)$ .

Example:

Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  &  $g(x) = \begin{cases} x+1 & x \geq 4 \\ -x & x < 4 \end{cases}$

$$\text{Dom}(f) = [0, \infty)$$

$$\text{Dom}(g) = \mathbb{R}$$

Let's find  $\text{Dom}(g \circ f)$ . & the domain of  
 $\text{Dom}(g \circ f) = \{a \in \text{Dom}(f) \mid f(a) \in \text{Dom}(g)\}$   
 $= \{a \in [0, \infty) \mid \sqrt{a} \in \mathbb{R}\}$   
 $= [0, \infty)$

The functional rule of a function just says how to evaluate the function.

Let's find the functional rule for  $g \circ f$

$$\begin{aligned} (g \circ f)(x) &= g(f(x)) & x \in [0, \infty) \\ &= g(\sqrt{x}) & x \in [0, \infty) \\ &= \begin{cases} \sqrt{x} + 1 & x \geq 16 \leftarrow f(16) = 4 \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(4) = 16 \quad \{ f^{-1} \text{ exists b/c} \right. \\ -\sqrt{x} & x < 16 \leftarrow f(16) = 4 \Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(4) = 16 \quad \} \text{ Dom}(f) = [0, \infty) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thm:

Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g: B \rightarrow C$ ,  $h: C \rightarrow D$  be functions where  $A, B, C, D$  are non-empty sets. Then

i)  $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$ ,

ii)  $f \circ i_A = f$  where  $i_A$  is identity for  $A$

iii)  $i_B \circ f = f$  " " " if  $B$

We show (i)

$$\begin{aligned} (h \circ (g \circ f))(a) &= h(g(f(a))) \\ &= h((g \circ f)(a)) \\ &= h(g(f(a))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ((h \circ g) \circ f)(a) &= \\ &= (h \circ g)(f(a)) \\ &= h(g(f(a))) \end{aligned}$$

- Def:  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is said to be surjective / onto / a surjection iff  $\text{Rng}(f) = B$ .
- This means that
- $\forall a \in A, f(a) \in B$  &
  - $\forall b \in B, \exists a \in A$  s.t.  $f(a) = b$ .
- Example:  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $f(x) = x^2$  is not surjective.
- Consider  $b = -3 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Assume for contradiction that  $b = -3 \in \text{Rng}(f)$ . That means  $\exists a \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $-3 = f(a) = a^2$ . However  $a^2 \geq 0$ , but  $b = -3 < 0$ . Thus  $b = -3 \notin \text{Rng}(f)$ . Thus  $f$  is not surjective.
- The differentiation b/w range & codomain is a fine one. All functions are onto some codomain namely their ranges.
- Example: Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $f(x) = e^x$ . Let's show  $f$  is onto  $(0, \infty)$ .
- To prove  $f$  is onto  $(0, \infty)$ , we prove  $\text{Rng}(f) = (0, \infty)$ . We do this by double set inclusion.
- We show that  $(0, \infty) \subseteq \text{Rng}(f)$ .  
 Let  $b \in (0, \infty)$ . &  $a = \ln(b)$ .  $a$  is a real number b/c  $b > 0$ . Moreover  $f(a) = e^a = e^{\ln(b)} = b$ . So  $b \in \text{Rng}(f)$  &  $(0, \infty) \subseteq \text{Rng}(f)$ .
- We show  $\text{Rng}(f) \subseteq (0, \infty)$ .  
 Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . We show  $f(a) \in (0, \infty)$ .  
 $f(a) = e^a > 0$  for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . So  $f(a) \in (0, \infty)$  &  $\text{Rng}(f) \subseteq (0, \infty)$
- Thus  $\text{Rng}(f) = (0, \infty)$  &  $f$  is onto  $(0, \infty)$ .
- Def:  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is said to be injective/ one-to-one/ an injection iff  $u = v$  whenever  $f(u) = f(v)$
- In terms of ordered pairs,  
 $u = v$  whenever  $(u, b) \in f$  &  $(v, b) \in f$ .
- Essentially every output is only mapped to by one input.
- Example: Let  $S$  be a non-empty set. The identity function  $i_S$  is injective.
- Example: We define an  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $f$  is surjective but not injective  

$$f(N) = \begin{cases} N & \text{if } n \text{ even} \\ 1 & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$
- $f$  is not injective b/c  $f(1) = f(2) = 1$ . left as exercise
- To show  $f$  is surjective, we show  $\text{Rng}(f) = \mathbb{N}$  by double set inclusion,

Thm:

Let  $f:A \rightarrow B$  &  $g:B \rightarrow C$  be injections.  $g \circ f$  is an injection

Pf:

Suppose  $(g \circ f)(u) = (g \circ f)(v)$ . We show  $u=v$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(g \circ f)(u) &= (g \circ f)(v) \\ \Rightarrow g(f(u)) &= g(f(v))\end{aligned}$$

Since  $g$  is one-to-one,  $f(u) = f(v)$ .

Since  $f$  is one-to-one,  $u = v$ .

Thus  $g \circ f$  is injective iff  $f:A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g:B \rightarrow C$  is injective.

Def:

If  $f$  is any function, we may define the inverse of  $f$  as  $f^{-1}$  defined as

$$(a, b) \in f^{-1} \text{ iff } (b, a) \in f$$

$f^{-1}$  itself is a function iff

$$(a, c) \in f^{-1} \& (a, b) \in f^{-1} \Rightarrow b = c.$$

We rewrite this in terms of  $f$

$$(c, a) \in f \& (b, a) \in f \Rightarrow b = c.$$

In other words,  $f^{-1}$  is a function iff  $f$  is injective.

Since we derive  $f^{-1}$  by switching coordinates, iff  $f$  &  $f^{-1}$  are functions, then

$$f^{-1}(a) = b \Leftrightarrow f(b) = a$$

$$\text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Rng}(f)$$

$$\text{Rng}(f^{-1}) = \text{Dom}(f)$$

Thm:

Suppose  $f:A \rightarrow B$  is a one-to-one function w/  $B' = \text{Rng}(f) \subseteq B$ . Then

$$f^{-1} \circ f = \text{id}_A \& f \circ f^{-1} = \text{id}_{B'}$$

Pf:

Let  $a \in A$  &  $b = f(a)$ . Then  $f^{-1}(b) = a$  by def.

So

$$(f^{-1} \circ f)(a) = f^{-1}(f(a)) = f^{-1}(b) = a = \text{id}_A(a).$$

We have shown  $f^{-1} \circ f = \text{id}_A$ .

$f \circ f^{-1}$  follows similarly.  $\square$

Def:

Let  $f: A \rightarrow B$  be a function where  $A$  &  $B$  are nonempty.

$f$  is called injective / an injection / a one-to-one correspondance b/w  $A$  &  $B$  iff  $f$  is injective / one-to-one or surjective / onto.

Example:

Let's define a bijection  $f: \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\} \rightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\}$ . That is a bijection b/w the non-negative integers & the negative integers.

Let  $f(n) = -n - 1$ .  $f$  is a function. We show it is onto & one-to-one.

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= -a - 1 \\ f(b) &= -b - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$a \leq b \Rightarrow -a \geq -b \Rightarrow -a - 1 \geq -b - 1$

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  where  $f(a) = f(b)$ . We show  $a = b$ . That is  $f$  is one-to-one.  
 $f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow -a - 1 = -b - 1 \Rightarrow -a = -b \Rightarrow a = b$ .  
Thus  $f$  is one-to-one.

To show  $f$  is onto, we show  $\text{Rng}(f) = \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\}$  by double set inclusion

We show  $\text{Rng}(f) \subseteq \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\}$ .

If  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , then  $n \geq 0 \quad \& \quad -n \leq 0$ .

Therefore,  $-n - 1 \leq 0 - 1 \Rightarrow -n - 1 \leq -1$

So  $f(n) \in \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\} \quad \& \quad \text{Rng}(f) \subseteq \{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\}$ .

We show  $\{z \in \mathbb{Z} \mid z \leq 0\} \subseteq \text{Rng}(f)$ .

Let  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $z \leq 0$ . We show  $z = f(a)$  for some  $a \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

Let  $a = -z - 1$ .  $f(a) = -a - 1 = -(-z - 1) - 1 = z + 1 - 1 = z$

We now show  $a \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . It should do after  $a \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$

By def,  $z \leq 0$ . So  $-z \geq 0 \quad \& \quad -z - 1 \geq 0 - 1 \Leftrightarrow -z - 1 \geq -1$

Therefore  $a = -z - 1 \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} z &= -a - 1 \\ -z &= a + 1 \\ a &= -z - 1 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $z$  is integer,  $a = -z - 1$  is an integer

Thm:

Given a finite set  $S$ , the number of possible bijections of  $S$  is  $n!$  where  $n = |S|$ . (8)

Pf:

We can describe each bijection as a permutation of  $S$ , where the  $i$ -th element in  $S$  maps to the  $i$ -th element in the permutation.

If  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & \rightarrow & 1 & 1 & \rightarrow & 1 & 1 \rightarrow 2 \\ 2 & \rightarrow & 2 & 2 & \rightarrow & 3 & 2 \rightarrow 1 \\ 3 & \rightarrow & 3 & 3 & \rightarrow & 2 & 3 \rightarrow 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & \rightarrow & 2 & 1 & \rightarrow & 3 & 1 \rightarrow 3 \\ 2 & \rightarrow & 3 & 2 & \rightarrow & 1 & 2 \rightarrow 2 \\ 3 & \rightarrow & 1 & 3 & \rightarrow & 2 & 3 \rightarrow 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & \rightarrow & 3 & 1 & \rightarrow & 3 & 1 \rightarrow 3 \\ 2 & \rightarrow & 1 & 2 & \rightarrow & 1 & 2 \rightarrow 2 \\ 3 & \rightarrow & 2 & 3 & \rightarrow & 2 & 3 \rightarrow 1 \end{array}$$

$f_1 \quad f_2 \quad f_3 \quad f_4 \quad f_5 \quad f_6$

Thm:

Suppose  $f: A \rightarrow B$ ,  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are bijections where  $A, B, C$  non-empty sets,

i)  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a bijection

ii)  $f^{-1}: B \rightarrow A$  is a bijection

Pf:

i) We know the composition of surjections is a surjection & the composition of injections is an injection. Thus  $g \circ f: A \rightarrow C$  is a bijection.  $\square$

ii) We first prove  $f^{-1}$  is one-to-one.

We show that  $f^{-1}(d) = f^{-1}(e)$  implies  $d = e$ .

Suppose  $f^{-1}(d) = f^{-1}(e)$ .

$d = f(f^{-1}(d)) = f(f^{-1}(e)) = e$  since  $f^{-1}(d) = f^{-1}(e)$  &  $f$  is a function.  $\square$

OR

Let  $k = f^{-1}(d) = f^{-1}(e)$ . Since  $f^{-1}(d) = k$ ,  $d = f(k)$ . Since  $f^{-1}(e) = k$ ,  $e = f(k)$ . Since  $f$  is a function,  $d = e$ .  $\square$

Now let's talk about all bijections. Like we were w/ the theorem at top.

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set.

Let  $A(S) = \{f: S \rightarrow S \mid f \text{ bijective}\}$  be the set of all bijections w/in  $S$ .

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set.

i) If  $f, g \in A(S)$ ,  $g \circ f \in A(S)$

ii) If  $f, g, h \in A(S)$ ,  $h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$

iii)  $i_S$  (identity on  $S$ ) is an element of  $A(S)$ . If  $f \in A(S)$ ,  $f \circ i_S = i_S \circ f = f$ .

iv) If  $f \in A(S)$ ,  $\exists f^{-1} \in A(S)$  s.t.  $f \circ f^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ f = i_S$ .

Notation: If  $f: A \rightarrow B$  &  $g: B \rightarrow C$  are functions,  $g \circ f = gf$

Def:

Let  $f \in A(S)$  where  $S$  is a non-empty set.

i)  $f^0 = i_S$

ii)  $f^1 = f$  ← technically unnecessary but good to see

iii)  $f^n = f f^{n-1}$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  ←  $f$  composed  $n$  times

iv)  $f^{-n} = f^{-1} f^{-n+1} = (f^{-1})^n$  (where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) ←  $f^{-1}$  composed  $n$  times

Note:  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is a bijection b/c inverse of bijection is bijection

Prop:

MANY of our power rules we're used to hold.

Let  $f, g \in A(S)$  where  $S$  is a non-empty set. Let  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$

i)  $f^n f^m = f^{n+m}$

iii)  $(fg)^n \neq f^n g^n$  in general

ii)  $(f^n)^m = f^{nm}$

Example:

Let  $f, g \in S_3$  where  $f(1)=1, f(2)=3, f(3)=2$   
 $f(1)=1, f(2)=2, f(3)=3$  &  $g(1)=3, g(2)=1, g(3)=2$

Recall:  $S_3 = \{1, 2, 3\}$

Consider  $f^2, g^2, f^2 \circ g^2, f \circ g, (f \circ g)^2$

ii)  $g^2: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 1$

iii)  $f^2 \circ g^2: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 1$

iv)  $f \circ g: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 3$

v)  $(f \circ g)^2: 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3$

Note:  $f \circ g \neq (f \circ g)^2$

Ihm:

Let  $f, g \in A(S)$  where  $S$  is a nonempty set.

Then

$$(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$$

Pf:

Let  $s_1 \in S$ ,  $s_2 = g(s_1)$  &  $s_3 = f(s_2)$ . Since

$s_2 = g(s_1)$ ,  $g(s_2) = s_1$ . Likewise  $f(s_3) = s_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}(f^{-1} \circ g^{-1})(s_1) &= f^{-1}(g(s_1)) = f^{-1}(s_2) = s_3 \\(g \circ f)(s_3) &= g(f(s_3)) = g(s_2) = s_1\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1} \quad \square$$

## #(Equivalence) Relations

Def:

A relation on a set  $S$  is a subset  $R \subseteq S \times S$ .

More intuitively, it is a function  $R: S \times S \rightarrow \{T, F\}$  that decides if two sets are related,  $(s, t) \in R \Leftrightarrow sRt$ .

Def:

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set &  $R$  be a relation on  $S$ .

i)  $R$  is reflexive iff  $\forall s \in S, (s, s) \in R$  (or  $sRs$ )

ii)  $R$  is symmetric iff  $\forall s, t \in S, (s, t) \in R \Leftrightarrow (t, s) \in R$

iii)  $R$  is transitive iff  $\forall s, t, u \in S, (s, t) \in R \wedge (t, u) \in R \Rightarrow (s, u) \in R$

Def:

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set &  $R$  be a relation on  $S$ .

$R$  is an equivalence relation iff it is reflexive, symmetric, & transitive.

Let  $s, t \in S$ . We say  $s$  is equivalent to  $t$  & write  $s \sim t$  iff  $(s, t) \in R$

Using tilde  $\sim$  notation, we get

Reflexive:  $\forall s \in S, s \sim s$

Symmetric:  $\forall s, t \in S, s \sim t \Leftrightarrow t \sim s$

Transitive:  $\forall s, t, u \in S, s \sim t \wedge t \sim u \Rightarrow s \sim u$ .

Example:

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set.  
Let  $\sim = \{(s, t) \in S \times S \mid s=t\}$ .

$\sim$  is an equivalence relation. I won't write the proof b/c I'm behind.

Def: Congruence Modulo  $n$

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  &  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We define relation  
We define relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$  by  
and  $\sim$  iff  $n$  divides  $a-b$ .

In other words,

$$a \sim b \Leftrightarrow \exists c \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t. } a-b=cn \text{ or equivalently } a=cn+b$$

If  $a \sim b$ , we say  $a$  is congruent to  $b$  mod( $n$ )  $\wedge$ .

Notation:

To emphasize the dependence on the dependence of  $n$ , many people write  
 $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$   
iff  $a \sim b$ .

Thm:

Congruence Modulo  $n$  is an equivalence relation

Reflexivity:

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We show  $a \sim a$ .

$a \sim a$  holds b/c  $a-a=0=n$  for all  $n$  when  $c=0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Symmetry:

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Assume  $a \sim b$ . We show  $b \sim a$ .

$a \sim b \Rightarrow a-b=cn$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$

Multiplying both sides by  $-1$  gives us  
 $-a+b=-cn=(-c)n$  where  $-c \in \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\Rightarrow b \sim a$ .

Thus  $\sim$  is reflexive.

Transitivity:

Let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Assume  $a \sim b$  &  $b \sim c$ . We show  $a \sim c$ .

$a \sim b \Rightarrow a-b=c_1n$  for some  $c_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$b \sim c \Rightarrow b-c=c_2n$  for some  $c_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Adding the equations gives us

$$a-c=c_1n+c_2n=(c_1+c_2)n$$

Since  $c_1+c_2$  is an integer,

$$a \sim c$$

when  $a \sim b$  &  $b \sim c$ .  $\therefore$

Thus congruence mod  $n$  is transitive.

Congruence mod  $n$  is an equivalence relation.

Def:

Let  $\sim$  be an equivalence relation on  $S$ .  
 The equivalence class of  $a \in S$  is  
 $E = \{b \in S : a \sim b\}$ .

Def:

We know congruence mod  $N$  is an equivalence relation on  $S$ .

Given  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  the congruence/equivalence class of  $a$  is

$$\begin{aligned} [a]_n &= \\ &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b \equiv a \pmod{n}\} \\ &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid n \text{ divides } b-a\} \\ &\subset \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b-a = nc \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b = nc+a \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{Z}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Example:

Let  $n=1$  &  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Find  $[a]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [a]_1 &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b = a+c \text{ for some } c\} \\ &= \{a-2, a-1, a, a+1, a+2, \dots\} \\ &= \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

Example:

Let  $n=1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [0]_3 &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b \equiv 0 \pmod{3}\} \\ &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid 3 \text{ divides } b-0\} \\ &= \{b \in \mathbb{Z} \mid b = 3c\} \\ &= \{0, \pm 3, \pm 6, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$[1]_3 = \{1, 1 \pm 3, 1 \pm 6, \dots\} = \{0, -5, -2, 1, 4, \dots\}$$

$$[2]_3 = \{2, 2 \pm 3, 2 \pm 6, \dots\} = \{1, -4, -1, 2, 5, \dots\}$$

$$[3]_3 = [0]_3$$

$$[-1]_3 = [2]_3$$

N.B. Note that these partition  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Thm: Let  $R$  be an equivalence relation on a non-empty set  $S$ .

- The union of all the equivalence classes is  $S$ .
- If  $a, b \in S$  &  $[a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$ , then  $[a] = [b]$  &  $a R b$ .  
Equivalently, if  $[a] \neq [b]$ , then  $[a] \cap [b] = \emptyset$ .
- If  $a, b \in S$ , then  $[a] = [b]$  iff  $(a, b) \in R$ .

Pf:

Let's prove only part iii.

Suppose  $[a] = [b]$ . Then  $a$  is reflexive.  
 $(a, a) \in R$  holds since  $R$  is reflexive.  
Since  $(a, a) \in R$ ,  $a \in E_a$ .  
Since  $[a] = [b]$ ,  $a \in [b]$ .  
Thus  $(a, b) \in R$ .

Suppose  $(a, b) \in R$ . We show  $[a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$  thus by ii  $[a] = [b]$ .  
We know  $(a, b) \in R$ , so  $a \in [b]$ .  
Since  $(b, a) \in R$  (by reflexivity),  $a \in [b]$ .  
Since  $a \in [b]$  &  $a \in [a]$ ,  $[a] \cap [b] \neq \emptyset$ .  
Therefore  $[a] = [b]$ .

Example:

Let  $n=3$ , How do we show  $[16]_3 \subseteq [2]_3$  w/o calculating their equivalence classes.

We show

$$\begin{aligned} -16 &\equiv -2 \pmod{3}, \\ \Leftrightarrow -16 - 2 &\equiv -18 \text{ is a multiple of 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$-18 = -6(3), \text{ so } -18 \text{ is a multiple of 3} \quad \& \quad [16]_3 = [2]_3.$$

Thm:

Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  
 $[a]_n \in \{[0]_n, [1]_n, \dots, [n-1]_n\}$  &  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  
Moreover, if  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$  b/w 0 &  $n-1$  such that  $i \neq j$ , then  
 $[i]_n \neq [j]_n$

Pf:

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

By the division algorithm,  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $0 \leq r < n = n$  s.t.  
 $a = q_n + r$ .

The restrictions on  $r$  mean

$$r \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}.$$

Since  $a = q_n + r$

$$a - r = q_n.$$

Therefore

$$a \equiv r \pmod{n}$$

By iii from the above,  $[a]_n = [r]_n \in \{[0]_n, [1]_n, \dots, [n-1]_n\}$ .

Let's talk about doing math on equivalence classes, in particular wrt congruence mod n.

Def:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{[0]_n, \dots, [n-1]_n\}$   
is called a ring of integers mod n.

Def:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let's define addition  $\oplus$  & multiplication  $\otimes$  on  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .

$$[a]_n \oplus [b]_n = [a+b]_n$$

We often drop circles

$$[a]_n \otimes [b]_n = [a \cdot b]_n$$

We need to show  $\oplus$  &  $\otimes$  are well defined.

Pf:

To show  $\oplus$  is well defined, we need for  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$[a]_n = [c]_n \quad \& \quad [b]_n = [d]_n \\ \Rightarrow [a]_n + [b]_n = [c]_n + [d]_n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} [a]_n = [c]_n &\Leftrightarrow a \equiv c \pmod{n} \\ [b]_n = [d]_n &\Leftrightarrow b \equiv d \pmod{n} \\ &\qquad \qquad \qquad \leftarrow [a+b]_n \quad \leftarrow [c+d]_n \end{aligned}$$

To get  $[a]_n + [b]_n = [c]_n + [d]_n$ , we need to show  
 $(a+b) \pmod{n} = (c+d) \pmod{n}$

$$\Leftrightarrow a+b \equiv c+d \pmod{n}$$

Since  $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$  &  $b \equiv d \pmod{n}$ ,  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$a - c = sn$$

$$b - d = tn$$

We try to write  $(a+c) - (b+d)$  in terms of n to show  
 $a+b \equiv (c+d) \pmod{n}$

$$(a+b) - (c+d)$$

$$= a - c + b - d$$

$$= sn + tn$$

$$= (s+t)n$$

Since  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $s+t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus we have just written n divides  
 $(a+b) - (c+d)$ .

Thus

$$a+b \equiv (a \oplus b) \pmod{n}$$

&  $\oplus$  is well defined.

PF:

The proof that  $\otimes$  is well defined follows a similar proof.

Example:

Find  $([a]_{16} + [10]_{16}) [6]_{16}$  writing our final answer as  $[a]_{16}$  where  $0 \leq a < 16$ .

$$([a]_{16} + [10]_{16}) [6]_{16} = [14]_{16} [6]_{16} = [3]_{16} [6]_{16} = [18]_{16} = [2]_{16}$$

Proof:

Many of our normal additive & multiplicative properties hold for  $\oplus$  &  $\otimes$

i)  $[a]_n + [0]_n = [0]_n + [a]_n = [a]_n$       vii)  $[a]_n + [-a]_n = [-a]_n + [a]_n = [0]_n$

ii)  $[a]_n + [b]_n = [b]_n + [a]_n$

iii)  $([a]_n + [b]_n) + [c]_n = [a]_n + ([b]_n + [c]_n)$

iv)  $[a]_n \cdot [1]_n = [1]_n \cdot [a]_n = [a]_n$

v)  $[a]_n \cdot [b]_n = [b]_n \cdot [a]_n$

vi)  $([a]_n [b]_n) [c]_n = [a]_n ([b]_n [c]_n)$

Not Properties:

Notably, a few properties fail for  $\oplus$  &  $\otimes$ .

i)  $[a]_n [b]_n = [0]_n \not\Rightarrow ab=0$  (i.e. a or b are zero).

Example:  $[3]_6 [4]_6 = [12]_6 = [0]_6$  but  $3 \cdot 4 \neq 0$  &  $3 \neq 0$  &  $4 \neq 0$

Sometimes Properties:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Does there exist  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$[a]_n [b]_n = [1]_n.$$

In other words, for what  $n$  is there a multiplicative inverse.

Suppose there is such a  $b$ . Then

$$[a]_n [b]_n = [ab]_n = [1]_n$$

so

$$ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

This means

$$ab - 1 = cn \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Thus

$$ab + n(-c) = 1 \text{ for some } c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Since  $b$  &  $-c$  are some integers, we know  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$  & thus  $a$  &  $n$  are coprime.

Let's try to show that if  $a \& n$  are coprime then there is a multiplicative inverse of  $a$ .

Suppose  $a \& n$  are relatively prime. That is  
 $\gcd(a, n) = 1 \Leftrightarrow ab + nt = 1$  for some  $b, t \in \mathbb{Z}$

Then

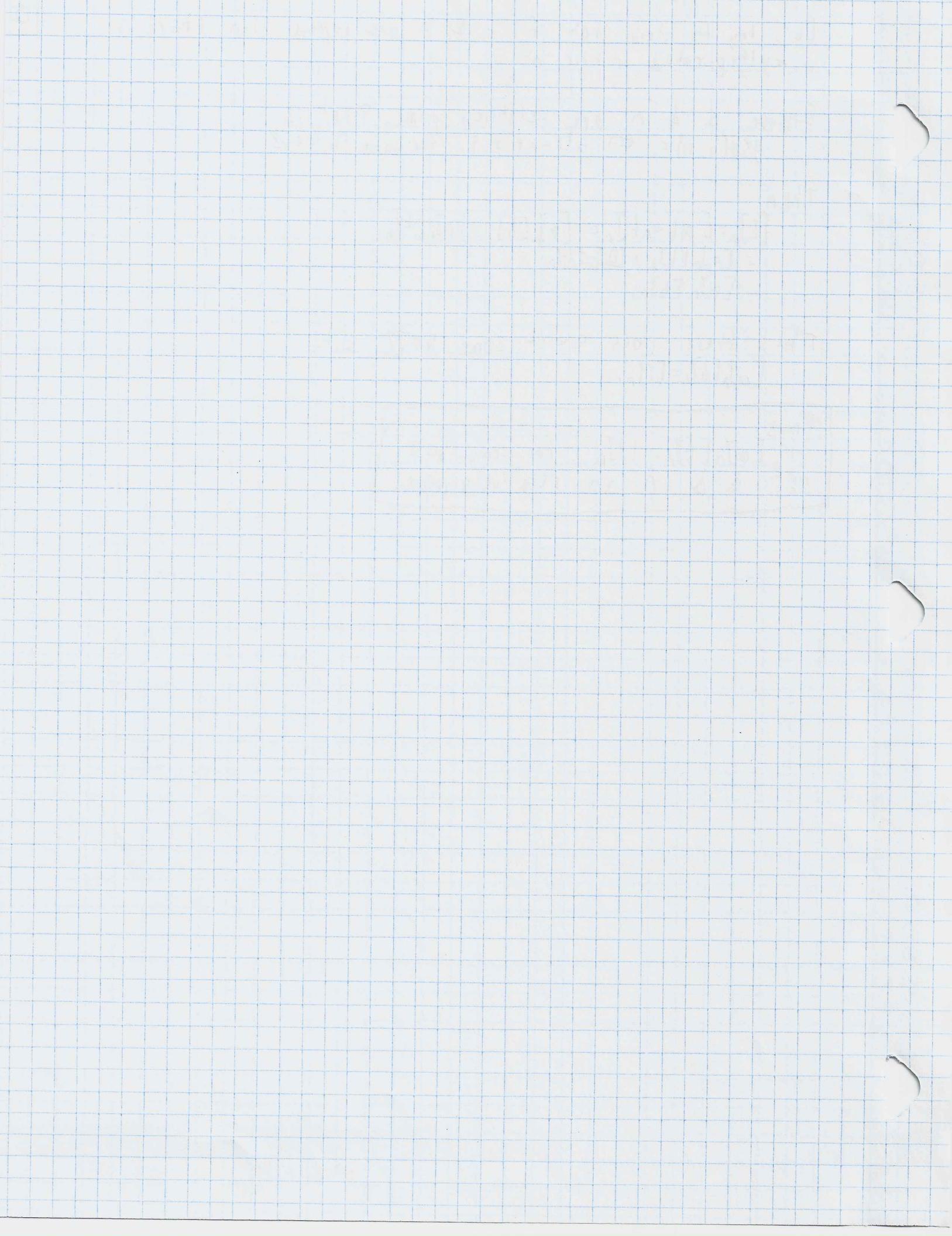
$$\begin{aligned}[1]_n &= [ab + nt]_n = [0]_n[b]_n + [n]_n[t]_n \\ &= [a]_n[b]_n + \cancel{[0]_n}[\cancel{n}]_n \\ &= [a]_n[b]_n.\end{aligned}$$

Thus there does exist some  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$$[a]_n[b]_n = [1]_n.$$

Thus

$[a]_n[b]_n = [1]_n$  for some  $b \in \mathbb{Z}$   
iff  $a \& n$  are relatively prime.



## Chapter 2

### # Binary Operations/Operators

Dcf:

We also say

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set.

A binary operation on  $S$  is a function  $f: S \times S \rightarrow S$ .

#### Notation:

We write  $f(a, b) = a * b$  unless  $f$  is known (e.g.,  $f=+$ ).

We say  $S$  is closed under the binary operation  $*$ ,  
written  $a * b \in S$  if  $a, b \in S$ .

#### Example:

i) Multiplication on natural numbers  $\times: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is a binary operator.

ii) Subtraction on natural numbers  $-: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is not a binary operator.  $1 - 1 = 0 \notin \mathbb{N}$ .

iii) Composition of bijections  $\circ: A(S) \times A(S) \rightarrow A(S)$  is a binary operation b/c

$$g \circ f \in A(S) \quad \forall f, g \in A(S)$$

iv) Matrix addition  $+: \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is a binary operation

v) Matrix multiplication on square matrices  $\times: \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a binary operation.

#### Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) = \{ X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid \det(X) \neq 0 \}$  be the general linear group of  $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

$$GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \text{ where } ad - bc \neq 0 \right\}$$

Is  $+$  a binary operator? No!

$$I + (-I) = [0]$$

but

$$\det(I) = 1 \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow I \in GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}),$$

$$\det(-I) = (-1)^n \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow -I \in GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}),$$

$$\det([0]) = 0 \Leftrightarrow [0] \notin GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}).$$

Example:

Is \* defined on  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  a binary operation on  $\mathbb{Q}^*$ ,  
 $\frac{a}{b} * \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a+c}{b+d} \quad \forall a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{N}$ .

No b/c \* is not well defined

$$\frac{1}{2} * \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{5} \neq \frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{2} * \frac{2}{6}$$

Example:

Suppose  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  is a prime. We show all elements  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  where  $n \neq 0$  have a multiplicative inverse.

# Groups

Def:

Let  $G$  be a nonempty set & let \* be a binary operation on  $G$ .  
 $(G, *)$  is a group or  $G$  is said to be a group (under \*) iff

i) Closure:  $a * b \in G \quad \forall a, b \in G$

ii) Associative Law:  $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in G$

iii) Existence of Identity:  $\exists e \in G$  s.t.  $a * e = e * a = a$ ,  $e$  is the identity.  
(or unity)

iv) Existence of Inverses:  $\forall a \in G \exists b \in G \quad a * b = b * a = e$ , we say  $a = b^{-1}$  &  
 $b = a^{-1}$ .

We call a group an abelian group (under \*) iff i-iv hold & also  
the following holds. Opposite is non-abelian.

v) Commutative Laws:  $a * b = b * a \quad \forall a, b \in G$       Comes from mathematician  
Abel.

We call a group infinite if it has infinitely many elements. Opposite is finite.

Examples:

i)  $\mathbb{Q}$  under + is an infinite abelian group.

ii)  $\mathbb{Q}$  under  $\cdot$  is not a group b/c there is no inverse for 0.

iii) We "fix" this by excluding 0 or only looking at positive rationals.

$\mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$  under multiplication  $\cdot$  is an infinite abelian group.

$\mathbb{Q}^+$  under multiplication  $\cdot$  is also an infinite abelian group.

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider  $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $n \times n$  matrices over  $\mathbb{R}$ ).  
 $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  is a group under what binary operations.

$M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  is a group under +.

i)  $A + B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \quad \forall A, B \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

ii)  $[0] \in \mathbb{R}$  b/c  $\forall A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \quad A + [0] = [0] + A = A$

iii)  $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C) \quad \forall A, B, C \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

iv)  $\forall A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) \quad A + (-A) = (-A) + A = [0]$

(v) also holds, so  $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  is an infinite abelian group under  $+$ . 2

$M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  is not a group under  $+$  b/c  $[0] \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  but  $[0]$  has no inverse.

Consider  $GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} : \det(A) \neq 0\}$ . This is an infinite group. It is abelian iff  $n=1$  & non-abelian o/w.

i)  $A, B \in GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  b/c  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B) \neq 0$  b/c  $\det(A) \neq 0$  &  $\det(B) \neq 0$ .

ii)  $(AB)C = A(BC) \quad \forall A, B, C \in GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

iii)  $I \in e$  b/c  $AI = IA = A \quad \forall A \in GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$

iv)  $\exists A^{-1}$  s.t.  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I \quad \forall A$  iff  $\det(A) \neq 0$ . Since  $A \in GL_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ , we know  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a finite abelian group under  $+$ .

Notes: We should show numbers going together into  $[\dots]_n$

i)  $[a]_n + [b]_n = [a+b]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n \quad \forall [a]_n, [b]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

ii)  $[a]_n + [b]_n + [c]_n = [a]_n + [b]_n + [c]_n \quad \forall [a]_n, [b]_n, [c]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

iii)  $[a]_n + [0]_n = [0]_n + [a]_n = [a]_n \quad \forall [a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n \quad \& [0]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

iv)  $[a]_n + [-a]_n = [0]_n \quad \forall [a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n \quad \& [-a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

v)  $[a]_n + [b]_n = [b]_n + [a]_n \quad \forall [a]_n, [b]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $\mathbb{Z}_n^* = \{[k]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid k, n \text{ coprime}\}$  is a finite abelian group. That is throw out all elements that share a factor w/  $n$ .

i) Closure: If  $a, n$  coprime &  $b, n$  coprime, then  $ab, n$  coprimes.  
We won't prove now.

ii) Associative: Falls from mult.

iii) 1 coprime w/ everything & 1 is identity

iv)  $a, n$  coprime  $\Leftrightarrow 1 = as + nt \Leftrightarrow [1]_n = [as + nt]_n = [a]_n [s]_n + [t]_n \not\equiv 0$

\* Thus  $\exists [s]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .  $s, n$  coprime w/  $n$  b/c o/w.  $[a]_n$  not coprime,

Example:

Let  $S$  be a nonempty set.  $A(S)$  (set of bijections on  $S$ ) is a group under composition.

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $S_n$  denote bijections from  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  onto itself. By the above  $S_n$  is a group under composition.

If  $n=1$ ,  $S_1 = \{i\}$  is an abelian group  $b \circ i = i \circ b = i$ .

If  $n=2$ ,  $S_2 = \{i, f\}$  is an abelian group.  $i^{-1}=i$ ,  $f^{-1}=f$   
 $i \circ i = i = i \circ i$   
 $f \circ i = f = f \circ i$   
 $f \circ f = i = f \circ f$

If  $n \geq 3$ , then  $S_n$  is non-abelian, as done in HW.

Def:

Let  $G_1$  &  $G_2$  be groups under  $*$ , &  $*_2$  resp.

Let  $G = G_1 \times G_2$ . Define  $*$  as

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (a *_1 c, b *_2 d).$$

We call  $*$  the direct product.

$G$  is a group under  $*$  & abelian iff both  $G_1$  &  $G_2$  are & finite likewise.

Def:

i) Closure: Trivial by def

ii) Associativity: Trivial by def

iii) Identity:  $e = (e_1, e_2)$

iv) Inverse:  $(a, b)^{-1} = (a^{-1}, b^{-1})$

Def:

Let  $G$  be a group under  $*$ ,

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n \geq 0$  &  $a \in G$ .

We define the power of  $a$  as

$$a^0 = e \text{ where } e \text{ is the identity}$$

$$a^{n+1} = a * a^n$$

We often elide the  $*$  for brevity (unless the op is standard).

We often write the power as a subscript to avoid ambiguity.

Prop:

$a^{-n} = (a^n)^{-1} = (a^{-1})^n$  + Recall we're reversing & inverting the ops (like a stack)

Example:

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 = \{[0]_3, [1]_3, [2]_3\}$$

$$7[2]_3 = [14]_3 = [2]_3$$

$$\rightarrow [2]_3 = [-14]_3 = [1]_3 \quad \text{OR} \quad -[2]_3 = -([2]_3) = -([2]_3) = [-2]_3 = [1]_3$$

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a group (under  $*$ ) &  $a, b \in G$ .

All the following hold

- proof here
- (i) The identity  $e$  of  $G$  is unique.
  - (ii) The inverse of  $a$  is unique
  - (iii)  $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a$
  - (iv)  $(a * b)^{-1} = (b^{-1} * a^{-1})$

(v)  $\forall u, v \in G$

homework

$$a * u = a * v \Rightarrow u = v$$

$$u * a = v * a \Rightarrow u = v$$

(vi)  $e^n = e \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$

(vii) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

tough

$$a^m a^n = a^{m+n}$$

$$(a^m)^n = a^{mn}$$

PF:

i) Let  $e, e' \in G$  be identities of  $G$ .

By the properties of identities

$$e = e' * e = e * e' = e'$$

$$\therefore e = e' \quad \square$$

ii) Let  $a \in G$ . Let  $u, v \in G$  be inverses of  $a$ .

By the properties of inverses (& the identity)

$$(u * a) * v = e * v = v$$

$$u * (a * v) = u * e = u$$

Since  $*$  is associative by def so

$$(u * a) * v = u * (a * v)$$

$$\therefore v = u \quad \square$$

iii) Let  $a \in G$ . By def  $a * a^{-1} = a^{-1} * a = e$ , where  $a^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $a$ .

Here, using the definition of inverse,  $a^{-1}$  is the inverse of  $a^{-1}$ .

$$\therefore (a^{-1})^{-1} = a \quad \square$$

iv) Let  $a, b \in G$ . We show  $(a * b) * (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = e$

$$(a * b) * (b^{-1} * a^{-1})$$

$$= (a * (b * b^{-1})) * a^{-1} \quad \text{associative property}$$

$$= (a * e) * a^{-1}$$

$$= a * a^{-1}$$

$$= e$$

Now we do the other direction b/c we don't know commutativity

$$(b^{-1} * a^{-1}) * (a * b) = (b^{-1} * (a^{-1} * a)) * b = (b^{-1} * e) * b = b^{-1} * b = e.$$

$$\therefore (a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$$

Def: Let  $G$  be an abelian group. Let  $\ast \in \mathbb{F}$ .  
 $(a \ast b)^n = a^n \ast b^n \quad \forall a, b \in G, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}.$

This is  $b(c)$  commutativity  
 $(a \ast b)^n = \underbrace{(a \ast b) \dots (a \ast b)}_n = \underbrace{(a \ast \dots \ast a)}_n \ast \underbrace{(b \ast \dots \ast b)}_n = a^n \ast b^n$

# Subgroups

Def: A subgroup  $S$  of group  $G$  under  $\ast$  is a subset  $S \subseteq G$  where  $S$  itself is a group under  $\ast$ .

Example:

Consider the abelian group  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  under  $+$ . Let  $A = \{[0]_{10}, [5]_{10}\}$  &  $B = \{[2]_{10}, [4]_{10}, [6]_{10}, [8]_{10}\}$ .

$$A + B = \{a + b \mid a \in A \text{ & } b \in B\} = \{[2]_{10}, [4]_{10}, [6]_{10}, [8]_{10}, [7]_{10}, [9]_{10}, [1]_{10}, [3]_{10}\}$$

Example:

Consider group  $\mathbb{R}$  under  $+$ .

$\mathbb{Z}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}$  under  $+$ .

$\mathbb{Q}$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}$  under  $+$ .

$\{0\}$  is a subgroup.

$n\mathbb{Z} = \{nz \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is a subgroup.

$\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  is not a subgroup b/c its elements are equivalence classes.  
 $G = \{x \text{ is irrational or } 0\}$  is not a subgroup b/c  $\sqrt{2} + (1 - \sqrt{2}) = 1 \notin G$

Rem:

Suppose  $G$  is a group w/ non-empty subset  $H \subseteq G$ .

The associative law must hold for  $a, b, c \in H$ , that is

$$(ab)c = a(bc)$$

~~we ellide the operation  $\ast$~~

Rem:

Suppose  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $e \in G$  be the identity of  $G$  &  $e' \in H$  be the identity of  $H$ . Then  $e' = e$ .

That is  $e'h = h'e' = h$ .

Since  $e' \in G$  &  $e$  identity of  $G$ ,  $e \ast e' = e'$

Likewise  $e' \ast e' = e'$ , so

$$e \ast e' = e' \ast e'$$

We "multiply" by  $(e')^{-1}$  on the right

$$e \ast e' \ast (e')^{-1} = e' \ast e' \ast (e')^{-1}$$

$$\therefore e = e'$$

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a group &  $H$  be a subset of  $G$ .

$H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff

i)  $\forall h_1, h_2 \in H \quad h_1 h_2 \in H$

ii)  $e \in H$  where  $e$  identity of  $G$  ← Can replace w/  $H \neq \emptyset$   
b/c  $b^{-1} = b \in H$  (i) & (iii)  
def of identity

iii)  $\forall h \in H \quad h^{-1} \in H$

Basically, we get associativity for free!

Remark:

Let  $G$  be a group. The subset  $\{e\} \subseteq G$  where  $e$  identity is a subgroup. It is one of the trivial subgroups.

We prove all properties

- i)  $ee = e \in \{e\}$  ✓ elem  $\{e\}$
- ii)  $e \in \{e\}$
- iii)  $e^{-1} = e \in \{e\}$

Note:  $H$  is a proper subgroup of  $G$  iff  
 $H$  is a subgroup &  $H \neq G$

Thus  $\{e\} \subseteq G$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Hernstein calls these

Likewise  $G \subseteq G$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . ↗ improper

We call  $\{e\}$  &  $G$  the trivial subgroups of  $G$ .

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The set

$$n\mathbb{Z} = \{nz \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\} = H$$

is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}$  under  $+$

We show the <sup>3</sup> properties hold.

Let  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ . We show  $h_1 + h_2 \in H$ .

Since  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ ,

$$h_1 = nz_1 \text{ & } h_2 = nz_2 \text{ for some } z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

So

$$h_1 + h_2 = nz_1 + nz_2 = n(z_1 + z_2)$$

Since  $z_1 + z_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $h_1 + h_2 \in H$ , so (i) holds.

We show  $0 \in H$  is the identity. Let  $h \in H$  where  $h = nz$

$$h + 0 = nz + 0 = nz \in H$$

So (ii) holds.

Let  $h \in H$  where  $h = nz$ . We show  $h^{-1} = -nz \in H$ .

$$h + h^{-1} = nz - nz = 0$$

$$h^{-1} = -nz = n(-z) \in H \text{ b/c } -z \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Thus  $h^{-1} = -nz \in H$ , so (iii) holds.

Thus  $H = n\mathbb{Z}$  is a subgroup.

Example:

Let  $G = S_3$  be a group under composition.

Let  $H = \{i, f\} \subseteq G$  where  $i$  is the identity &  $f$  is defined by

$$f(1) = 1$$

$$f(2) = 3$$

$$f(3) = 2$$

Is  $H \subseteq G$  a subgroup?

It is & we prove it now.

First, (ii) trivially holds b/c  $i \in H$ .

To prove (i), we enumerate all possible compositions

$$i \circ i = i \in H \quad f \circ i = f \in H$$

$$i \circ f = f \in H \quad f \circ f = i \in H$$

$$\nwarrow f(f(1)) = f(1) = 1$$

$$f(f(2)) = f(3) = 2$$

$$f(f(3)) = f(2) = 3$$

Now, to show (iii) we find a<sup>-1</sup> for  $\forall h \in H$ .

$$i^{-1} = i \text{ b/c } i \circ i = i \text{ (above)}$$

$$f^{-1} = f \text{ b/c } f \circ f = i \text{ (above)}$$

thus  $H = \{i, f\}$  is a subgroup of  $G = S_3$ .

Example:

Let  $G = S_3$  be a group under  $\circ$ .

Let  $H = \{i, f\} \subseteq G$  where  $i$  identity &  $f$

$$f(1) = 2$$

$$f(2) = 3$$

$$f(3) = 1$$

$H$  is not a subgroup b/c  $f \circ f \notin H$  b/c

$$(f \circ f)(1) = 3$$

$$(f \circ f)(2) = 1$$

$$(f \circ f)(3) = 2$$

Example:

Let  $G = GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  be a group under multiplication where  $GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \mid \det(A) \neq 0\}$

Consider the subset  $H \subseteq GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  where

$SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) = \{A \in G \mid \det(A) = 1\}$ .  $\leftarrow$  special linear group

We show  $SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  subgroup of  $GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

general linear group

i)  $A, B \in SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  b/c  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B) = 1$  iff  $A, B \in SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$

ii)  $I \in SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  b/c  $\det(I) = 1$

iii)  $A^{-1} \in SL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  b/c  $\det(A) \neq 0 \Rightarrow A^{-1}$  exists &  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A) = 1$ .

Def:

Let  $G$  be a group. Define the center of  $G$   $Z(G)$  by

$$Z(G) = \{g \in G \mid gb = bg \ \forall b \in G\}.$$

$Z(G)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Intuitively,  $Z(G)$  is the set of all elements of  $G$  that commute.

By definition,  $Z(G) \subseteq G$ . We now show the subgroup properties hold.

$$eb = b = be \ \forall b \in G. \text{ (i)}$$

Let  $g_1, g_2 \in Z(G)$ . Let  $b \in G$ .

We show  $(g_1 g_2) \in Z(G)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (g_1 g_2)(b) &= g_1(g_2 b) \\ &= (g_2 b)g_1 \\ &= g_2(bg_1) \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{=} (bg_1)g_2 \\ &= b(g_1 g_2) \quad (\text{ii}) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $g \in Z(G)$ . Let  $b \in G$ . We show  $g^{-1} \in Z(G)$

$$gb = b \underset{\text{def}}{=} b/g \ \forall g \in Z(G).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} g^{-1}(gb)g^{-1} &= g^{-1}(bg)g^{-1} \\ \underset{(\text{i})}{\Rightarrow} b g^{-1} &= g^{-1}b \quad (\text{iii}) \end{aligned}$$

So  $g^{-1} \in Z(g)$  when  $g \in Z(g)$ . (iv)

thus  $Z(G)$  subgroup of  $G$ . that is everything commutes

Furthermore, the center  $Z(G)$  is an abelian group  
 $\downarrow$   
 $G$  is an abelian group iff  $Z(G) = G$ .

## # Cyclic Subgroups & Groups

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$ .

Let  $H = \{a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

First, we show  $H \subseteq G$ . To show this we split  $a^n$  into cases

$$a^0 = e \in G$$

First,  $a^n = a^{-1}a \in G$  if  $a \neq e$ . Since  $a^0 \in G$ ,  $a^n \in G \ \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \geq 0$

$$a^{-n} = (a^{-1})^n \in G \text{ by above.}$$

$$a^n = a^{-n}a \in G \text{ since } a^{-n} \in G$$

Next we show the 3 subgroup properties.

Let  $a^m, a^n \in H$  w/  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We show  $a^m a^n \in H$ .

$a^m a^n = a^{m+n} \in H$   
b/c  $m+n \in \mathbb{Z}$  since  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . (i)

By def  $a^0 = e \in H$ . (ii)

Let  $a^m \in H$  w/  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We show  $(a^m)^{-1} \in H$ .

$(a^m)^{-1} = a^{-m} \in H$   
b/c  $-m \in \mathbb{Z}$  since  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . (iii)

Thus  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Here,  $H$  is called the cyclic subgroup of  $G$  generated by  $a$ .

Def:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$ .

The cyclic subgroup of  $G$  generated by  $a$  ( $\langle a \rangle$ ) is

$\langle a \rangle = \{a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  We call  $a$  the generator of  $G$ .

This is proved above.

Why is this called cyclic? b/c eventually you roll around & get  $e \in G$ .

Example:

Let  $G = S_3$  be a group under  $\circ$ . Let  $f \in G$  be  
 $f(1) = 2, f(2) = 3, f(3) = 1$

Let's look at  $f^k$  for some  $k$ 's

$$f^0 = i$$

$$f^{-1} = f^2 \text{ b/c } f^2 \circ f = f^3 = i$$

$$f^2 = 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 2$$

$$f^3 = 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3 = i$$

$$f^4 = f^3 \circ f = f$$

$$f^5 = f^3 \circ f^2 = f^2$$

Note: this doesn't have to be 3 for  $S_3$

This looks a lot like congruence mod 3!

We show  $\langle f \rangle = \{i, f, f^2\}$ .

Let  $f^n \in \langle f \rangle$ . We know there exist  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.

$n = 3q + r$  where  $0 \leq r < 3$

so

$$f^n = f^{3q} \circ f^r = (f^3)^q \circ f^r = f^r \in \{f^0, f^1, f^2\} = \{i, f, f^2\}$$

Thus  $\{e, f, f^2\} \subseteq H$  (by def of  $H$ ) &  $(H) \subseteq \{e, f, f^2\}$   
 (by above), so  
 $(H) = \{e, f, f^2\}$

Example:

Let  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  be a group under  $+$ . Look like arithmetic  
 Let  $H = ([2]_{10})$ . Find  $H$ . Notice powers

Since superscripts  $([2]_{10})^3$  are confusing in this case, we write  $3 \cdot [2]_{10}$ .

$$0 \cdot [2]_{10} = [0]_{10} = e \quad 1 \cdot [2]_{10} = [2]_{10} \quad 2 \cdot [2]_{10} = [4]_{10}$$

$$3 \cdot [2]_{10} = [6]_{10} \quad 4 \cdot [2]_{10} = [8]_{10} \quad 5 \cdot [2]_{10} = [10]_{10} = [0]_{10} = e$$

$$6 \cdot [2]_{10} = 5 \cdot [2]_{10} + 1 \cdot [2]_{10} = [2]_{10}$$

We conjecture  $H = \{[0]_{10}, [2]_{10}, [4]_{10}, [6]_{10}, [8]_{10}\}$ .

This is true, but to show it we would do double set inclusion & the division algorithm (by 5). Like we did earlier.

Why 5?  $|H| = 5 \Leftrightarrow 5 \cdot [2]_{10} = [0]_{10} = e$

$$0 \cdot [1]_n = [0]_n$$

$$1 \cdot [1]_n = [1]_n$$

$$2 \cdot [1]_n = [2]_n$$

$$3 \cdot [1]_n = [3]_n$$

$$4 \cdot [1]_n = [4]_n$$

$$5 \cdot [1]_n = [5]_n$$

$$6 \cdot [1]_n = [6]_n$$

$$7 \cdot [1]_n = [7]_n$$

$$8 \cdot [1]_n = [8]_n$$

$$9 \cdot [1]_n = [9]_n$$

$$10 \cdot [1]_n = [0]_n$$

In fact  $\mathbb{Z}_n = ([k]_n)$  where  $k, n$  coprime (i.e.  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$ ).

Def.

A group  $G$  is called cyclic if  $\exists a \in G$  s.t.  
 $(a) = G$ .

Here  $a$  is called a generator of  $G$ .

As you can see  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a cyclic subgroup of  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ .  
 As you can see  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  is a cyclic group generated by  $[1]_{10}$  b/c  $([1]_{10}) = \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ . (Likewise for the numbers coprime to 10: 1, 3, 7, 9)

Example:

$\mathbb{Z}$  is a cyclic group under  $+$ .

1 & -1 are generators for  $\mathbb{Z}$  b/c  $(1) = (-1) = \mathbb{Z}$ .

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a cyclic group under  $\oplus$  generated by  $[1]_n$ .

Further,  $[\alpha]_n$  generates  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  where  $(\alpha, n)$  coprime & in fact these are all the generators of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . (I think I sketched a proof.)

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a group &  $a \in G$ .

i) The cyclic subgroup  $\langle a \rangle \subseteq G$  generated by  $a$  is abelian.

ii) If  $G$  is a cyclic group, then  $G$  is abelian.  $\leftarrow$  The converse is not true

PF:

i) Let  $H = \langle a \rangle = \{a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Let  $h_1, h_2 \in H$  where  $h_1 = ab$  &  $h_2 = ac$  for some  $b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $h_1 h_2 = a^b a^c = a^{b+c} = a^{c+b} = a^c a^b = h_2 h_1$ .

Thus  $\langle a \rangle \subseteq G$  is abelian.

ii) Since  $G$  is cyclic  $\exists a \in G$  s.t.  $\langle a \rangle = G$ . Since  $\langle a \rangle \subseteq G$  is a cyclic subgroup it is abelian, thus  $G = \langle a \rangle$  is abelian.

We often use the contrapositive to show a group is not cyclic.

# Lagrange's Theorem

Let's talk about equivalence classes in terms of groups.

Recall:

Let  $S$  be a non-empty set w/ relation  $\sim$ .  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation if it is reflexive, transitive, & symmetric.

Let  $a \in S$ . The equivalence class of  $a$   $[a]$  is

$$[a] = \{b \in S \mid a \sim b\}$$

Further, these equivalence classes partition  $S$ . That is

$$\bigcup_{a \in S} [a] = S$$

i)  $\forall a, b \in S \quad [a] \cap [b] = \emptyset$  or  $[a] = [b]$

ii)  $\forall a, b \in S \quad [a] = [b] \Leftrightarrow a \sim b$

Now we'll apply this to groups.

Let  $H \subseteq G$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . We'll define  $\sim$  on  $G$  as

$$a \sim b \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H. \quad \forall a, b \in G$$

$\sim$  is reflexive b/c  $a \sim a \Leftrightarrow e \in H$  b/c  $H$  is a subgroup which necessarily has the identity.

$\sim$  is symmetric b/c  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$ . We show this by showing  $a b^{-1} \in H \Leftrightarrow b a^{-1} \in H$ .

Suppose  $a \sim b$  where  $a, b \in G$ . Then  $ab^{-1} \in H$ . By the inverse property  $(ab^{-1})^{-1} = ba^{-1} \in H$ , so  $\sim$  is symmetric.

Finally,  $\sim$  is transitive.

Let  $a, b, c \in G$  where  $a \sim b$  &  $b \sim c$ . We show  $a \sim c$ .

$$a \sim b \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H \quad \& \quad b \sim c \Rightarrow bc^{-1} \in H$$

Since  $H$  is a subgroup (i.e., closed)

$$(ab^{-1})(bc^{-1}) = a(b^{-1}b)c^{-1} = ac^{-1} \in H$$

Thus  $a \sim c$  &  $\sim$  is transitive.

Thus  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $G$ .

Let's write the equivalence classes.

$$\begin{aligned}[a] &= \{b \in G \mid b \sim a\} \\ &= \{b \in G \mid ba^{-1} \in H\} \\ &= \{b \in G \mid \exists h \in H \text{ s.t. } ba^{-1} = h\} \\ &= \{b \in G \mid \exists h \in H \text{ s.t. } b = ah\} \\ &\rightarrow \{ha \mid h \in H\} \\ &= Ha \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $Ha = \{ha \mid h \in H\} = H$

Def:

Let  $H \subseteq G$  be a subgroup of group  $G$ . Let  $a \in G$ .  
The set  $Ha$  is called the right coset of  $H$  in  $G$  determined by  $a$ .

$$Ha = \{ha \mid h \in H\} = [a] \quad \text{under earlier } a \sim b \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H \text{ equivalence relation}$$

Def:

Let  $H \subseteq G$  be a subgroup of group  $G$ .  
the number of distinct cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  is called  
the index of  $H$  in  $G$ . We denote this by

$$i_G(H) = [G : H]$$

Prop: (Right). Cosets

$$\text{i)} G = \bigcup_{a \in G} Ha$$

$$\text{ii)} \forall a, b \in G \quad Ha = Hb \text{ or } Ha \cap Hb = \emptyset$$

$$\text{iii)} \forall a, b \in G \quad Ha = Hb \text{ iff } ba^{-1} \in H \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$$

$$\text{iv)} \forall a \in G \quad Ha = He \Leftrightarrow a^{-1} = e \in H \quad (\text{for } e \in H)$$

$$\checkmark) \forall a \in G \quad |Ha| = |H|$$

of  $H$  or  $H$  has  $|H|$  distinct cosets

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$$\text{vi)} |G| = |H| i_G(H) \quad \text{from i, ii, & v}$$

More on that later

Suppose  $a \in H$ . Define  $f: H \rightarrow Ha$  by  $f(h) = ha$  &  $\forall h \in H$ ,

We show  $f$  is surjective & injective.

To show  $f$  injective, let  $h_1, h_2 \in H$  where  $f(h_1) = f(h_2)$ . We show  $h_1 = h_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} h_1a = h_2a &\quad b/c \\ \Rightarrow (h_1a)a^{-1} &= (h_2a)a^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow h_1(a a^{-1}) &= h_2(a a^{-1}) \\ \Rightarrow h_1 &= h_2 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

$f$  is trivially surjective b/c

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

$$\text{Rng}(f) = \{f(h) \mid h \in H\}$$

Since  $H = \text{Rng}(f)$ ,  $f$  is surjective.

Thm: Lagrange's Theorem

Let  $G$  be a finite group w/ subgroup  $H$

i)  $|G| = |H| [G:H] = |H| \text{id}_G(H)$

ii) The order of  $H$  divides the order of  $G$ .

Example:

Let  $S_3$  be the group under composition  $\circ$ .

Let  $f \in S_3$  where  $f(1) = 2, f(2) = 1, f(3) = 3$ .

Let  $H = \langle f \rangle$  be the cyclic subgroup of  $S_3$  generated by  $H$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f^0 &= i, \quad f^1 = f, \quad f^2 = i. \\ \Rightarrow H &= \{i, f\}. \end{aligned}$$

We find the index of  $H$  in  $S_3$   $[S_3 : H]$  using Lagrange's theorem.

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

$$3! = 2 [G:H]$$

$$6 = 2 [G:H]$$

$$[G:H] = 3$$

Thus there are 3 distinct right cosets

$$H \circ = H = \{i, f\} \quad \text{Note: } HF = H = \{iof = f, fo = i\}$$

Let  $g \in S_3$  where  $g(1) = 1, g(2) = 3, g(3) = 2$ .

$$Hg = \{g, fog\} \quad fog: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 1$$

$$\text{Note: } H(f \circ g) = Hg$$

Let  $v \in S_3$  where  $v = gof$   $v(1) = 3, v(2) = 1, v(3) = 2$

$$Hv = \{v,fov\} \quad \text{for: } 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 1$$

Coro: Lagrange's theorem

Suppose  $G$  is a finite group of order  $p$  where  $p$  is a prime. Then  $G$  is cyclic.

& thus abelian!

PF:

Let  $a \in G$  s.t.  $a \neq e$ . There exists  $b/c \in G$  s.t.  $|G| = p > 1$ .

Let  $H = \langle a \rangle$  be a cyclic subgroup.

By Lagrange's theorem  $|H|$  divides  $|G| = p$ .

Since  $p$  is prime  $|H| = 1$  or  $p$ .

Since  $a \notin H \neq e$ ,  $|H| > 1$ .

Thus  $|H| = |G| = p$ .

Since  $H \subseteq G$  &  $|H| = |G|$ ,  $H = G$ .

Thus  $G$  is cyclic.  $\square$

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Remarks:

i) Our initial  $\sim$  was  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$ .

inverse property

We could define it  $a \sim b \Rightarrow a^{-1}b \in H$  ( $b/c(ab)^{-1} = a^{-1}b \in H$ ).

ii) Under this new definition of  $\sim$ , we get the equivalence classes for each  $a \in G$  is  $aH$ .

We call  $aH$  the left coset of  $H$  in  $G$  determined by  $a$ .

iii) For finite groups, the number of distinct right cosets is equal to the number of distinct left cosets.

Note: We don't know every left coset is a right coset.

Def:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$ .

The order of  $a$  ( $\text{o}(a)$ ) is the number of elements in the cyclic subgroup generated by  $a$ . That is

$$\therefore o(a) = |aH|$$

$a$  is of finite order if  $\text{o}(a)$  is finite.

Coro:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$ .

$$\text{o}(a) = 1 \Leftrightarrow a = e$$

Proof next page.

$$o(a) = 1 \Rightarrow a = e$$

Suppose  $o(a) = 1$ . &  $a \neq e$ .

$e = a^0 \in \langle a \rangle$  &  $a = a^1 \in \langle a \rangle$ . Since  $a \neq e$ ,  $\langle a \rangle$  has at least 2 distinct elements.

Thus  $o(a) \neq 1$ . Thus  $a = e$  must be true.  $\square$

$$a = e \Rightarrow o(a) = 1$$

$e^n = e \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$  (shown in homework).

$$\text{Thus } \langle a \rangle = \langle e \rangle = \{e^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{e\}.$$

$$\text{Thus } o(e) = o(a) = 1. \quad \square$$

Example:

Let  $G = S_3$  be a group under  $\circ$ . How do we show that there is no  $f \in G$  s.t.  $o(f) = 6$ .

If  $o(f) = 6$ , then  $\langle f \rangle = G$  b/c  $|G| = |S_3| = 3! = 6$ . Thus  $G = S_3$  is cyclic.

If  $G$  is cyclic then  $G = S_3$  is abelian. We have shown on HW that  $G = S_3$  under  $\circ$  is non-abelian. Thus there is no such  $f$ .  $\square$

Example:

Let  $G = S_3$  be a group under  $\circ$ .

Let  $f \in S_3$  be  $f: 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 2$

By Lagrange's theorem,  $o(f) = |\langle f \rangle|$  divides  $|S_3|$  (since  $\langle f \rangle \subseteq S_3$  as  $f \in S_3$ ).

Since  $S_3$  isn't cyclic (non-abelian)  $o(f) \neq 6$ .  $\square$

Since  $f \neq e$ ,  $o(f) \neq 1$ .

Thus  $o(f) = 2$  or  $o(f) = 3$ .

helpful in some cases, not here

Let's find  $\langle f \rangle$  directly.

$$f^0 = i \quad f^1 = f \quad f^2: 1 \rightarrow 1 = i$$

$$2 \rightarrow 2$$

$$3 \rightarrow 3$$

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $f^n \in \langle f \rangle$ . By division algorithm  $n = 2q+r$  for <sup>some</sup>  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$   $0 \leq r < |f|=2$ .

$$f^n = f^{2q+r} = (f^2)^q f^r = i^q f^r = f^r \in \{f^0, f^1\} = \{i, f\}.$$

Thus  $\langle f \rangle = \{i, f\}$  &  $o(f) = 2$ .

Lemma:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$  of finite order. Thus  $\langle a \rangle$  is finite.

Let  $o(a) = m$ , thus  $\langle a \rangle$  has  $m$  elements. Then  $\langle a \rangle = \{a^0, a^1, \dots, a^{m-1}\}$ .

(Consider  $a^0, a^1, \dots, a^{m-1} \in \langle a \rangle$ ). By the pigeonhole principle  $a^u = a^v$  for some  $u < v$   $0 \leq u \leq m$  &  $0 \leq v \leq m$ . Rewrite ' $u$ ' & ' $v$ ' st  $u < v$  for simplicity.

Since  $a^u = a^v$ ,  $a^{-u} a^v = a^v a^u \Rightarrow e = a^{v-u}$  where  $v-u \geq 0$  (since  $u < v$ ).

Additionally,  $v-u \in \mathbb{Z}$  so  $0 \leq v-u \leq m$ .

Let  $k$  be the smallest positive integer s.t  $a^k = e$ . We show  $k$  exists.  
Let  $S = \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid a^n = e\}$ . Since  $v-u > 0$  &  $a^{v-u} = e$  so  $S \neq \emptyset$  &  $k$  exists.

Thus  $\{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\} \subseteq \langle a \rangle$ . Let's show  $a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}$  are distinct.

Suppose for contradiction that  $a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}$  contains some duplicate.

That is  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$   $0 \leq s \leq k-1$   $0 \leq t \leq k-1$  s.t. where  $a^s = a^t$ .  
 We rewrite s & t s.t. for simplicity.

$e = a^0 = a^{-s} a^s = a^{-t} a^t = a^{t-s}$  where  $t-s \leq t < k$ . We assume k was the smallest positive integer s.t.  $a^k = e$ . However  $a^{t-s} \neq e$  &  $t-s$ . This is a contradiction.

Thus  $a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}$  are distinct.

We now show  $(a) \subseteq \{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\}$ .

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $a^n \in (a)$ . By the division algorithm  $n = qb+r$  where  $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$   $0 \leq r < k$ .

$$a^n = a^{qb+r} = (a^b)^q a^r = e^q a^r = a^r \in \{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\}.$$

Since  $\{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\} \subseteq (a)$  &  $(a) \subseteq \{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\}$ ,  $(a) = \{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\}$ .

Since  $|(a)| = m$  (i.e.  $(a)$  has  $m$  distinct elements) &  $\{a^0, \dots, a^{k-1}\}$  is  $k$  distinct elements,  $k=m$ .

Therefore

$$(a) = \{a^0, \dots, a^{m-1}\}. \quad \square$$

Coro:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $a \in G$ . Then

i)  $a$  is of finite order iff  $\exists k \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $a^k = e$

ii) If  $a^k$  is of finite order, then the order of  $a$   $\circ(a)$  is the smallest positive integer  $m$  s.t.  $a^m = e$ .

If:

i) Suppose  $a \in G$  where  $a^k = e$ . What is the order of  $a$ ?

We now  $|a| \leq k$  by our same logic in the proof above.

We say less than or equal to b/c we might have some multiple of the smallest possible k.

ii) Again, if you look at the above proof we directly showed this (if you rename  $m$  to  $k$ ).

Coro:

Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $n$ . Let  $a \in G$  be an element of  $G$  w/  $m = |a|$ .

By Lagrange's theorem, we get

$$|G| = |a| |[G:(a)] \Rightarrow |a| [G:(a)] \Rightarrow n = m [G:(a)]$$

That is  $m$  divides  $n$ .

Example:

Consider group  $S_4$  under  $\circ$ . The order of  $S_4$  is  $|S_4| = 4! = 24$ .  
 If  $f \in S_4$  then the order of  $f$  is  $o(f) \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24\} \leftarrow$  factors of 24

What are the elements of order 1? Only the identity  $i \in S_4$ .

What are the elements of order 24? There are none b/c  $S_4$  is non-abelian. If  $f \in S_4$  s.t.  $o(f) = 24$  then  $(f) = S_4$ , meaning  $S_4$  would be cyclic & thus abelian.

Let  $f \in S_4$  be defined as  $f: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 4, 4 \rightarrow 1$  (rotate 1 left/up).  
 What is the order of  $f$ ?

$$f^0 = i$$

$$f^3: 1 \rightarrow 4, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 2, 4 \rightarrow 3$$

$$f^4: 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3, 4 \rightarrow 4 = i$$

$$f^8: 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 4, 3 \rightarrow 1, 4 \rightarrow 2$$

Since 4 is the smallest positive integer  $m$  s.t.  $f^m = i$ , we know  
 $o(f) = 4$ . &  $\{f\} = \{f^0, f^1, f^2, f^3\}$ .

Example:

Consider group  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  under  $+$ . The order of  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  is  $|\mathbb{Z}_{10}| = 10$ .

Consider  $[3]_{10}$ . Find the order of  $[3]_{10}$ . We know  $o([3]_{10}) \in \{1, 2, 5, 10\}$ .

To find the order of  $[3]_{10}$ , we go over the possibilities of  $o([3]_{10})$  & pick the smallest  $m$  such that  $m \cdot [3]_{10} = [0]_{10} = e$ .

$$1 \cdot [3]_{10} = [3]_{10} \neq [0]_{10} \quad 5 \cdot [3]_{10} = [15]_{10} = [5]_{10} \neq [0]_{10}$$

$$2 \cdot [3]_{10} = [6]_{10} \neq [0]_{10} \quad 10 \cdot [3]_{10} = [30]_{10} = [0]_{10}$$

$m=10$  is the smallest  $m$  s.t.  $m \cdot [3]_{10} = [0]_{10}$ , therefore the order of  $[3]_{10}$  is  $o([3]_{10}) = 10$ .

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a finite group of order  $n$ . Let  $a \in G$ . Then we know

Pf:

Let  $m$  denote the order of  $a$ , which is finite b/c  $G$  is finite.

We know  $m$  divides  $n$ , that is  $n = mc$  for some  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Therefore

let's actually generalise the above theorem to apply to any integer  $k$ .

Essentially all possible orders of  $a$  converge at  $n$ , since  $o(a) \in \{\text{factors of } n\}$ .

Thm:

Let  $G$  be a group where  $|G| = n$  w/  $a \in G$  where  $o(a) = m$ . For all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$a^k = e \iff m \text{ divides } k$$

PF:

i) m divides  $b \Rightarrow a^k \equiv e$

Suppose m divides b. Then by the definition of divides,  $b = mc$

For some  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Taken

$$a^k = (a^m)^c = (a^m)^c = e^c = e. \quad \square$$

& recall m is smallest positive integer st  $a^m \equiv e$

ii)  $a^k \equiv e \Rightarrow m$  divides  $k$

Suppose  $a^k \equiv e$ . By the division algorithm  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $0 \leq r < m$  st  $k = qm + r$ . Using this breakdown of k we have

$$a^k = a^{qm+r} = (a^m)^q a^r = e^q a^r = a^r$$

$$\& a^k \equiv e$$

$$\Rightarrow a^r \equiv e$$

Since  $0 \leq r < m$  &  $a^m$  is the smallest positive integer st  $a^m \equiv e$ . Since  $r < m$ , we have  $r \neq 0$ . Thus  $r=0$ .

Therefore  $k = qm$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus m divides k.  $\square$

Recall:

For set  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , an element  $[a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  has a multiplicative inverse only when  $a \nmid n$  are coprime (i.e.  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ ).

Suppose  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ . Then  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $as + nt = 1$ . Thus

$$[as + nt]_n = [1]_n$$

$$[as]_n + [nt]_n = [1]_n$$

$$[a]_n [s]_n + [n]_n [t]_n = [1]_n$$

$$[a]_n [s]_n + [0]_n [t]_n = [1]_n$$

$$[a]_n [s]_n = [1]_n$$

Therefore  $[a]_n$  has multiplicative inverse  $[s]_n$ .

Def:

Consider  $U_p = \{[a]_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p \mid [a]_p \neq [0]_p\} = \{[1]_p, \dots, [p-1]_p\}$  where p is a prime.  $U_p$  can also be characterized by elements w/ a multiplicative inverse or elements coprime to p.

Thm:

$U_p$  is a group under multiplication.

PF:

First let's show closure. Let  $[a]_p, [b]_p \in U_p$ .  
Then  $[a]_p [b]_p = [ab]_p$ .

Since p is prime, we know  $\gcd(ab, p) = 1$  or  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ .  
We want  $\gcd(ab, p) = 1$  for  $U_p$  to be a group.

Suppose for contradiction that  $\gcd(ab, p) = p$ . Then  $p$  divides  $a$  or  $b$  since  $p$  is prime. This violates our assumption that  $[a]_p, [b]_p \in U_p$ . Thus  $U_p$  is closed.

The associative property falls from associativity of multiplication.

The identity property holds w/  $[1]_p$  being the identity,  $[1]_p \in U_p$  b/c  $[1]_p \neq [0]_p$  &  $p \geq 2$  as a prime.

The inverse property holds b/c  $a, p$  coprime for all  $[a]_p \in U_p$  by definition. By our earlier theorem this implies the existence of a multiplicative inverse for  $[a]_p$ .

where  $p$  is prime

Coro: i) Suppose  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is relatively prime to  $p$ . Then  $[a]_p \in U_p$ . Since  $|U_p| = p-1$ , we have

$$([a]_p)^{p-1} = e \Rightarrow [a^{p-1}]_p = e \quad \text{b/c multiplication is our operation.}$$

ii) By the above corollary,  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Leftrightarrow a^{p-1} = qp+1$  for some  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$

Thm: Fermat's Little Theorem

Let  $p$  be a prime & let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  be relatively prime to  $p$ . Then

$$a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$$

Coro:

Let  $-p$  is a prime & let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$$

## # Group Homomorphisms

Def:

Let  $G$  &  $G'$  be groups &  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$  be a function.

i)  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism iff  $\varphi(ab) = \varphi(a)\varphi(b)$   $\forall a, b \in G$

ii)  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism iff  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism &  $\varphi$  is injective.

iii)  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism iff  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism &  $\varphi$  is bijective.

iv)  $\varphi$  is an automorphism iff  $\varphi$  is a isomorphism &  $G = G'$

Def:

Let  $G$  &  $G'$  be groups. We say  $G$  &  $G'$  are isomorphic iff  $\exists$  an isomorphism  $\varphi$  from  $G$  to  $G'$ .

Example:

Let  $G$  be a group w/  $g \in G$ . Define  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  by  $\varphi(a) = gag^{-1}$

a) Let's show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a)\varphi(b) &= (gag^{-1})(gbg^{-1}) = gag(g^{-1}g)bg^{-1} = gag(b)g^{-1} = \varphi(ab) \end{aligned}$$

∴  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.

b) Let's show  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism. We already know  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism, so we show  $\varphi$  is injective.

Suppose  $\varphi(a) = \varphi(b)$ . We show  $a = b$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \varphi(a) = \varphi(b) \\ \Leftrightarrow & gag^{-1} = gbg^{-1} \\ \Leftrightarrow & g^{-1}(gag^{-1})g = g^{-1}(gbg^{-1})g \\ \Leftrightarrow & (g^{-1}g)a(g^{-1}g) = (g^{-1}g)b(g^{-1}g) \\ \Rightarrow & a = b \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore g$  is a monomorphism

c) Let's show  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism. We know  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism (i.e. homomorphic & bijective) so we must show it's surjective.

Let  $y \in G$ . We find  $a \in G$  st  $\varphi(a) = y$ .

Let  $a = g^{-1}yg$ . We know  $a = g^{-1}yg \in G$  b/c  $g \in G$ ,  $g^{-1} \in G$ ,  $y \in G$ , &  $G$  is closed under product. We now show  $\varphi(a) = y$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(a) &= gag^{-1} = g(g^{-1}yg)g^{-1} = (gg^{-1})y(gg^{-1}) = y \\ \therefore g &\text{ is an isomorphism.} \end{aligned}$$

d) Since  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism & since  $\text{Dom}(\varphi) = \text{Codom}(\varphi)$  b/c  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$ , we know  $\varphi$  is an automorphism.

Example:

Let  $G$  be the group  $\mathbb{Z}$  under  $+$ .

Let  $G'$  be the group  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  under  $+$ .

Define  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$  by  $\varphi(a) = [a]_2$ .

(In particular, an inner automorphism!)

We show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. Let  $a, b \in G = \mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\varphi(a+b) = [a+b]_2 = [a]_2 + [b]_2 = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b) \leftarrow \text{use } + \text{ b/c operation is addition}$$

$\varphi$  is however not a monomorphism b/c it's not one-to-one

$$\varphi(0) = [0]_2 = [2]_2 = \varphi(2) \text{ but } 0 \neq 2.$$

Example:

Consider group  $\mathbb{R}$  under  $+$  & group  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  under  $+$ .

Define  $\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  by

$$\varphi(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\varphi(a+b) = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b).$$

If we replace  $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  w/  $GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  under matrix multiplication, we don't get a homomorphism. That is,  $b/c$  becomes not well-defined.

$$\psi(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}).$$

$$b/c = \det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  is the General linear group  $\{X \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \mid \det(X) \neq 0\}$ .

Example:

Consider group  $\mathbb{R}^* = \{a \in \mathbb{R} \mid a \neq 0\}$  & group  $GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ .

Define  $\psi: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow GL_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  by

$$\psi(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

We show  $\psi$  is a homomorphism.

$$\psi(ab) = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} = \psi(a)\psi(b)$$

Further we actually get a monomorphism.

Thm: Properties of Homomorphisms

Let  $G_1, G_2, G_3$  be groups. Let  $\alpha: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  &  $\beta: G_2 \rightarrow G_3$  be homomorphisms.  
Let  $e_1 \in G_1$  be the identity of  $G_1$  &  $e_2 \in G_2$  &  $e_3 \in G_3$  be the identity of  $G_3$ .

i)  $\alpha(e_1) = e_2$

ii)  $\beta \circ \alpha$  homomorphism

iii)  $\beta \circ \alpha$  monomorphism if  $\alpha, \beta$  monomorphisms

iv)  $\beta \circ \alpha$  isomorphism if  $\alpha, \beta$  isomorphisms.

Pf:

i)  $\alpha(e_1) = \alpha(e_1)$  b/c  $e_1 e_1 = e_1$   
 $\alpha(e_1 e_1) = \alpha(e_1) \alpha(e_1)$  by  $\alpha$  homomorphism  
 $\alpha(e_1 e_1) = \alpha(e_1) \alpha(e_1) = \alpha(e_1)$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha(e_1) \alpha(e_1) \alpha(e_1)^{-1} = \alpha(e_1) \alpha(e_1)^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha(e_1) = e_2$

ii) Let  $a, b \in G_1$ . We show  $(\beta \circ \alpha)(ab) = ((\beta \circ \alpha)(a))((\beta \circ \alpha)(b))$   
 $(\beta \circ \alpha)(ab) = \beta(\alpha(ab))$   
 $= \beta(\alpha(a) \alpha(b))$   
 $= \beta(\alpha(a)) \beta(\alpha(b))$   
 $= ((\beta \circ \alpha)(a))((\beta \circ \alpha)(b))$

Thm:

Let  $G_1$  &  $G_2$  be groups & let  $\alpha$  be a homomorphism  $G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ . Then

i) If it is a subgroup of  $G_1$ , then  $\{\psi(h) \mid h \in H\}$  is a subgroup of  $G_2$ .

ii) If  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism, then  $\alpha^{-1}$  is a isomorphism  $G_2 \rightarrow G_1$ .

Pf:

i) Or HW :)

ii) We know the inverse of a bijection is a bijection. So let's show  $\alpha^{-1}$

is a homomorphism when  $\alpha^{-1}$  is isomorphic.

To do this, we need to show that  $\forall c, d \in G_2$

$$\alpha^{-1}(cd) = \alpha^{-1}(c) \alpha^{-1}(d)$$

Let  $a, b \in G_1$  s.t  $\alpha^{-1}(c) = a$  &  $\alpha^{-1}(d) = b$ , that is  $c = \alpha(a)$  &  $d = \alpha(b)$ .

Since  $\alpha$  is a homomorphism,

$$\alpha(ab) = \alpha(a)\alpha(b) = cd$$

Therefore

$$\alpha^{-1}(cd) = ab = \alpha^{-1}(c)\alpha^{-1}(d)$$

Therefore  $\alpha^{-1}$  is a homomorphism.

Note: We assume that  $\alpha$  is isomorphism

Since  $\alpha^{-1}$  is a bijection & homomorphism when  $\alpha$  isomorphism,  
we know  $\alpha^{-1}$  isomorphism.

## # Kernel of Isomorphism

Def:

Let  $\varphi$  be a homomorphism  $G \rightarrow G'$ . Let  $e \in G'$  be the identity of  $G'$  &  $e' \in G$  the identity of  $G$ .

The kernel of  $\varphi$   $\ker(\varphi)$  is the set

$$\ker(\varphi) = \{g \in G \mid \varphi(g) = e\}.$$

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{R}^+$  as a group under multiplication &  $\mathbb{R}$  as a group under addition.

Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the function

$$\varphi(a) = \ln(a).$$

We show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism

$$\therefore \varphi(ab) = \ln(ab) = \ln(a) + \ln(b).$$

Let's find the kernel of  $\varphi$ .

$$\ker(\varphi) = \{a \in \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \varphi(a) = 0\}$$

$$\subseteq \{a \in \mathbb{R}^+ \mid \ln(a) = 0\}$$

$$= \{1\}.$$

This actually means that  $\varphi$  is a monomorphism (i.e. one-to-one injective).

Let  $\varphi$  be a homomorphism  $G \rightarrow G'$ . Let  $e$  be identity of  $G$  &  $e'$  of  $G'$ . We know

i)  $\ker(\varphi)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

ii)  $g\ker(\varphi)g^{-1} \subseteq \ker(\varphi)$  for all  $g \in G$ .

That is  $gng^{-1} \in \ker(\varphi) \quad \forall g \in G \quad \& \quad n \in \ker(\varphi)$ .

iii)  $\varphi$  is injective/one-to-one/a monomorphism iff  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$ .

PF:

i)  $\ker(\varphi) = \{g \in G \mid \varphi(g) = e'\}$  is a subset of  $G$  by definition. Thus we show identity, closure, & inverses.

We already showed  $\varphi(e) = e'$  for all homomorphisms, so  $e \in \ker(\varphi)$  & the identity property holds.

Let's show closure. Let  $a, b \in \ker(\varphi)$ . We show  $ab \in \ker(\varphi)$ , that is  $\varphi(ab) = e$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(ab) &= \varphi(a)\varphi(b) && \varphi \text{ homomorphism} \\ &= e'e' \\ &= e'\end{aligned}$$

$a, b \in \ker(\varphi)$

Thus  $ab \in \ker(\varphi)$  & closure holds.

Let's show inverse property. Let  $a \in \ker(\varphi)$ , so  $\varphi(a) = e$ . We want to show  $a^{-1} \in \ker(\varphi)$ , that is  $\varphi(a^{-1}) = e'$ .

ii) Let  $g \in G$  &  $n \in \ker(\varphi)$ . Then  $\varphi(n) = e' \in G'$  by definition. We show  $\varphi(gng^{-1}) = e'$  to show  $gng^{-1} \in \ker(\varphi)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(gng^{-1}) &= \varphi(g)\varphi(n)\varphi(g^{-1}) && (\text{homomorphism}) \\ &= \varphi(g)e'\varphi(g^{-1}) \\ &= \varphi(g)\varphi(g^{-1}) && (n \in \ker(\varphi)) \\ &= e' && (\varphi(g) = \varphi(g^{-1})) \leftarrow \text{shown later}\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $g\ker(\varphi)g^{-1} \subseteq \ker(\varphi)$ .  $\square$

iii) Assume  $\varphi$  is injective. We show  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$  by double set inclusion.

We know  $e \in \ker(\varphi)$  so  $\{e\} \subseteq \ker(\varphi)$ .

We know  $\varphi(e) = e'$ . Let  $a \in \ker(\varphi)$ . Then we know

$\varphi(a) = e' = \varphi(e)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is injective, this means  $a = e$ . Thus  $\ker(\varphi) \subseteq \{e\}$ .

Consequently,  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$  given  $\varphi$  is injective.

Now the opposite direction. Suppose  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$ .

Let  $a, b \in G$  s.t.  $\varphi(a) = \varphi(b)$ .

Then  $\varphi(a)\varphi(b)^{-1} = \varphi(a)\varphi(b)^{-1}\varphi(b) = e'$  by the inverse property.

We use algebraic manipulation to show  $a = b$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(a)\varphi(b)^{-1} &= e' \Rightarrow \varphi(a)\varphi(b^{-1}) = e' && (\text{internalize inverse shown below}) \\ &\Rightarrow \varphi(a^{-1}b^{-1}) = e' && (\text{def of homomorphism}) \\ &\Rightarrow ab^{-1} = e && (\ker(\varphi) = \{e\})\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b$$

Thus  $\varphi$  is injective given  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$ .

Therefore,  $\varphi$  is injective iff  $\ker(\varphi) = \{e\}$ .

Thm: Cayley's Theorem

Let  $G$  be a group.  $G$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $A(G)$ .

Recall  $A(G) = \{f: G \rightarrow G \mid f \text{ bijective}\}$  is a group under  $\circ$ .

Let's define a function  $\theta: G \rightarrow A(G)$  by  
 $\theta(g) = \psi_g$  where  $\psi_g: G \rightarrow G$  is  $\psi_g(a) = ga$

Let's show that  $\theta$  is a monomorphism. In HW 7 we showed

$$\psi_a \circ \psi_b = \psi_{ab}.$$

Thus we show  $\theta$  is a homomorphism b/c

$$\theta(ab) = \psi_{ab} = \psi_a \circ \psi_b = \theta(a) \circ \theta(b).$$

We also showed in HW that  $\psi_g = i$  if & only if  $g = e$ .  
 Thus

$$\ker(\theta) = \{g \in G \mid \theta(g) = \psi_g = i\} = \{g \in G \mid g = e\} = \{e\}.$$

By our earlier theorems, this means  $\theta$  is injective.  
 Thus  $\theta$  is a monomorphism.

Since  $\theta: G \rightarrow A(G)$  is a monomorphism, by Cayley's theorem

$\theta(G)$  is a subgroup of  $A(G)$ , thus there exists an isomorphism b/w  $G$  &  $A(G)$ . ~~?~~

TODO: Is this true?

## # Normal Subgroups

Def:

Let  $G$  be a group w/ subgroup  $N$ .  $N$  is a normal subgroup iff  
 $aNa^{-1} \subseteq N \quad \forall a \in G$ .  $\leftarrow$  looks like kernels!

In other words,  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  iff  
 $ana^{-1} \in N \quad \forall a \in G, n \in N$

We denote this by  $N \trianglelefteq G$ .  $\leftarrow$  related to ideals

Thm:

From our earlier theorems, we know  $\ker(\psi)$ , where  $\psi: G \rightarrow G$  is a homomorphism, is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

Example

Let  $G$  be a group w/ identity  $e$ , then  $\{e\}$  is a subgroup.

Let  $a \in G$  &  $n \in \{e\} \Leftrightarrow n = e$ , then

$$ana^{-1} = aea^{-1} = aa^{-1} = e \in \{e\}.$$

Thus  $\{e\}$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

Example:

Suppose  $G$  is an abelian group. What are the normal subgroups of  $G$ ?

All subgroups  $N$  are normal groups of  $G$ !

Let  $a \in G$  &  $n \in N$ . Then

$$ana^{-1} = aea^{-1} = a \in N.$$

Thus  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  iff  $N$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , where  $G$  is an abelian group.

Example:

Let  $G$  be a group. Then  $G$  is a normal subgroup of itself.

This is b/c  $a \in G$ , so  $a^{-1} \in G$ . Since  $G$  is closed under the group operator (closure property), we know  
 $aga^{-1} \in G \quad \forall a \in G \quad \forall g \in G$ .

Thm:

Suppose  $G$  is a group w/ subgroup  $N$ . We know

- $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  iff  $aNa^{-1} = N \quad \forall a \in G$ ,
- $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  iff  $aN = Na \quad \forall a \in G$ .

Pf:

- Suppose  $N$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . We show  $aNa^{-1} = N$ , for all  $a \in G$ .

We already know  $aNa^{-1} \subseteq N \quad \forall a \in G$  b/c  $N$  is normal.

To show  $N \subseteq aNa^{-1} \quad \forall a \in G$ , we need to, given  $n \in N$ , find  $m \in N$  such that

$$n = am a^{-1}$$

Take  $m = a^{-1}na$ . First  $m \in N$ . Since  $N$  is normal, we know  $bdb^{-1} \in N$  if  $b \in G$  &  $d \in N$ . Let  $b = a^{-1}na$  &  $d = n \in N$ .

$$am a^{-1} = a(a^{-1}na)a^{-1}$$

Thus  $\forall n \in N \exists m \in N$  st  $n = am a^{-1}$ . Thus  $N \subseteq aNa^{-1} \quad \forall a \in G$ .  $\square$

Now suppose  $aNa^{-1} = N$ . This is left as an exercise for HW.

Example:

Let  $G$  be a finite group w/ identity  $e$ . Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  w/ index 2.

How many right cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  are there? How many left?

There are 2 right cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  & likewise 2 left cosets.

Let  $g \in G$ . When are  $Hg$  &  $He$  equal? What about  $gH$  &  $eH$ ?  
 $Hg = He$  iff  $g \in H$ . Likewise  $gH = eH$  iff  $g \in H$ .

Recall cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  partition  $G$ . Further  $Hg$  &  $He$  are equivalence classes.

Let  $g \in G$  s.t  $Hg \neq He$ . Since  $Hg \neq He$ , we know  $Hg \cap He = \emptyset$ . Likewise, we know  $g \notin H$  b/c if  $g \in H$ , we'd have  $Hg = He$ .

Suppose  $g \in G \setminus H$ . Then  $Hg = H = gH$ .

Suppose  $g \in G$  but  $g \notin H$ . We know  $Hg \neq He$  from above. Likewise we know  $gH \neq eH$ . But  $He = H = eH$ . Since there are only 2 distinct cosets we conclude

$$Hg = gH = G \setminus H = H, \leftarrow \text{complement of } H \text{ in } G!$$

Recall:

It's been awhile since we talked about cosets.

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of group  $G$ .

Define the right coset  $Ha$  where  $a \in G$  is the representative of  $Ha$  as

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

Likewise the left coset is

$$aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\}.$$

Using our work in the above example, we conjecture that if the index of subgroup  $H$  in group  $G$  is 2, then  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ ,  $H \triangleleft G$ .

Note that if the index of  $H$  is 1 then  $H = G$  &  $G$  is always a normal subgroup of itself.

Example:

Consider the group  $S_3$ .

Let  $f \in S_3$  defined by  $f: 1 \mapsto 2, 2 \mapsto 3, 3 \mapsto 1$ .

What is the order of  $f$  in  $S_3$ ,  $o(f)$ ? We know it is one of 1, 2, 3, 6. This is b/c the order of  $f$  must divide its group.

Since  $f \neq i$ , we know  $\phi(f) \neq 1$ . ( $f \neq i$ )

Since  $S_3$  is non-abelian, we know  $\phi(f) \neq 6$ . If  $\phi(f)=6$  then  $S_3$  would be a cyclic group generated by  $f$ , meaning it would be abelian (extension of Ruler rules).

Thus  $\phi(f)=2$  or  $\phi(f)=3$ .  $f^2$

$f^2$  is defined by  $f^2: 1 \rightarrow 3, 2 \rightarrow 1, 3 \rightarrow 2$ . Since  $f^2 \neq i$ , we know  $\phi(f) \neq 2$ . Thus  $\phi(f)=3$ .

Further,  $f: 1 \rightarrow 1, 2 \rightarrow 2, 3 \rightarrow 3$ . Since  $3$  is the smallest positive integer  $m$  st  $f^m = i$ . Thus  $\phi(f)=3$ .

Let  $H = \langle f \rangle$ .  $|H|=3$  b/c  $\phi(f)=3$ . By Lagrange's theorem.

$|S_3| = |H| [G:H]$   
Thus we conclude the order of  $H$  in  $G$ .  $[G:H]=2$ .

Thus we expect  $H$  to be a normal subgroup.

## # Quotient / Factor Groups

Def:

Let  $N$  be a normal subgroup of group  $G$ .  
Define the quotient group  $G/N$  (read:  $G$  mod  $N$ ) as  
 $G/N = \{N\alpha \mid \alpha \in G\}$ .

So for each  $a \in G$ ,  $N\alpha \in [a]$  under the equivalence relation  
 $x \sim y$  iff  $xy^{-1} \in N$ .

Define  $*$  (the group operation) on  $G/N$  by  $(N\alpha)*(Nb) = N\alpha b$  for all  $\alpha, b \in G$ . The following is a proof of the group properties

How do we know this group operation  $*$  is well-defined? We need to show like inputs result in like outputs.  $\leftarrow$  closed

Suppose  $N\alpha = Nb$  &  $Nc = Nd$ . We show  $(N\alpha)*(Nc) = (Nb)*(Nd)$ , that is  $Nac = Nbd$ . for some  $a, b, c, d \in G$

From our theorems of equivalence classes, we know two equivalence classes  $Nac$  &  $Nbd$  are equivalent iff their representatives are related, that is  $Nac = Nbd \Leftrightarrow ac \sim bd \Leftrightarrow (ac)(bd)^{-1} \in N$ .

Since we assumed  $N\alpha = Nb$ , we know  $\alpha \sim b$ . Likewise  $Nc = Nd$  gives us  $c \sim d$ . By the definition of our relation we have  $\alpha b^{-1} \in N$  &  $c d^{-1} \in N$ .

Take the product  $(ac)(bd)^{-1}$ . We show this is an element of  $N$ .  
 $(ac)(bd)^{-1} = acd^{-1}b^{-1} = anb^{-1}$  for some  $n \in N$  ( $b \sim c \Leftrightarrow cd^{-1} \in N$ ).

Now we try to find a  $m \in N$  st  $nb^{-1} = b^{-1}m$  b/c if there is then  $anb^{-1} = ab^{-1}m$  &  $m \in N$ .  
Must be in  $N$  b/c  $ab^{-1} \in N$ .

Let  $m = bn^{-1}$ . We know  $m \in N$  b/c  $n \in N$ ,  $b \in G_r$ , &  $N$  is normal. Therefore

$$a^N b^{-1} = ab^{-1}m = ab^{-1}bn^{-1}$$

Thus  $(ac)(bd)^{-1} \in N$ , so  $ac \sim bd$ . Thus  $(Na) * (Nb) = Nas = Nbd = (Nb) * (Na)$  given  $Na = Nb$  &  $Nc = Nd$ . Therefore  $*$  is well defined.  $\square$

What is the identity of  $G/N$  wrt  $*$ ?

We guess that  $N_e = N$  is the identity of  $G/N$ .  
Let  $a \in G$ . Then ...  
 $(Na) * (N_e) = Nae = Na$  &  $(N_e) * (Na) = Nea = Na$ .

Thus  $N_e = N$  is the identity of  $G/N$ .

This actually works for all  $n \in N$  b/c  $N = Ne = N_n$  b/c  $n \in N \Rightarrow ne \in N$ .  
Further  $\forall n_1, n_2 \in N \quad N_{n_1} = N_{n_2}$  b/c  $n_1 \sim n_2 \Leftrightarrow n_1^{-1} n_2 \in N$ .

Is  $*$  associative? Yes,  $N_a * (Nb * Nc) = N_a * (Nbc) = Nabc = Nob * Nc = (Na * Nb) * Nc$

Does  $*$  have an inverse? Yes b/c  $\forall a \in G \exists a^{-1} \in G$  s.t.  $aa^{-1} = e$ . Therefore it follows

$$(Na) * (N_{a^{-1}}) = Na a^{-1} = Ne = N.$$

Therefore,  $G/N$  is a group under  $*$ .

Example:

Let  $G$  denote the group of integers under  $+$ . Pick some  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $N = n\mathbb{Z} = \{nz \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Consider  $G/N$ .

Pick some  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ . We find  $N+a$  is our familiar congruence mod  $n$   
 $N+a = \{nz+a \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\} = [a]_n$

What is the order of  $N+2$  in  $G/N$ ?

This is equivalent to asking what is the order of  $[2]_n$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .  
It depends on whether  $n$  is even or odd.

Example:

Consider the group  $S_3$  w/  $f \in S_3$  defined by  $f: 1 \rightarrow 2, 2 \rightarrow 3, 3 \rightarrow 1$   
The order of  $f$   $o(f) = 3$  b/c  $H^f(f) = \{f^0, f^1, f^2\} = \{e, f, f^2\}$  where  
 $f^0 = e \Leftrightarrow f = 1, 2, 3$   
 $f^1 = f \Leftrightarrow f' = 2, 3, 1$   
 $f^2 = f^{-1} \Leftrightarrow f'' = 3, 1, 2$

{right-side is permutation notation}

We know that there are exactly 2 (left/right) cosets of  $H$  in  $S_3$   
 $b/c |S_3| = 3! = 6 \text{ & } |H| = 3$ , so by Lagrange's we know the index of  $H$  in  $G$   
 $[S_3 : H] = 2$   
 $|S_3| = 1/4 [S_3 : H]$

B/c there are exactly 2 (right) cosets we know  $S_3/H$  has exactly two elements, in particular  $H \neq Hg$  where  $g: 1 \mapsto 1, 2 \mapsto 3, 3 \mapsto 2 \Leftrightarrow g = 1, 3, 2$ .

How do we know  $Hg \neq H$ ? B/c  $g \in Hg$  but  $g \notin H$ .

Noted  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $S_3$ . How do we know that? The index of  $H$  in  $G$  is 2 & we showed earlier that all subgroups w/ index 2 are normal.

Let's compute all products in  $S_3/H$ . For example, what is  $(Hg) * (Hf)$ ?

$$Hg * Hf = Hgi = Hi$$

$$Hi * Hg = Hig = Hg \quad \text{We could use that } H = Hi \text{ is the identity of group}$$

$$Hg * Hi = Hgi \in Hg \quad S_3/H.$$

$$Hg * Hg = Hgg = Hg \quad \text{Note } gog^{-1} = i$$

Could we have gotten  $Hg * Hg = Hg$ ? No b/c...

i) We know  $Hg * Hi = Hg$  b/c  $Hi$  is the identity of  $S_3/H$  & we need an inverse of  $Hg$

ii) If  $Hg * Hg = Hg$ , then  $Hg$  would be identity. Then  $Hg = Hi$ , which is a contradiction.

### Thm: Properties of Normal Subgroups

Let  $G$  be a group w/ normal subgroup  $N$ .

i) If  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then  $(Na)^n = N(a^n)$ . (Trivial  $n=0$ , inductive  $n>0$ ,  $(Na)^n = ((Na)^{n-1})a = (N(a^{n-1}))a = N(a^{n-1}a) = N(a^n)$ )

ii) If  $G$  is finite, then  $|G/N| = [G:N] = \frac{|G|}{|N|}$ . {Lagrange's}

iii) If  $G$  is abelian, then  $G/N$  is abelian.

$$Na * Nb = Nab = Nba = Nb * Na \quad \forall a, b \in G.$$

iv) If  $G$  is cyclic, then  $G/N$  is cyclic. (Proof below)

v) The function  $\psi: G \rightarrow G/N$  defined by  $\psi(g) = Ng \quad \forall g \in G$  is a homomorphism from  $G$  onto  $G/N$  w/ kernel  $\ker(\psi) = N$ . (Proof below)

This is called the canonical homomorphism.

Pf:

iv) Assume  $G$  is a cyclic group. Let  $a \in G$  be the generator of  $G$ , that is  $G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^z \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ .

We show  $G/N = \langle Na \rangle$ , that is  $G/N$  is cyclic w/ generator  $a$ . We do this w/ double set inclusion.

Trivially,  $\{Na^z \mid z \in \mathbb{Z}\} \subseteq G/N$  holds b/c  $G/N$  is closed under  $*$ .

Let  $x \in G/N$ . By definition  $x = Nb$  for some  $b \in G$ . Since  $b \in G$ , we know

$\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $b = a^k$ . Thus  $x = Nb = N(a^k)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . (6)

By (i), we thus know  $x = N(a^k) = (Na)^k$ . Therefore  $\forall x \in G/N$  there exists  $\forall x \in G/N \exists k \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $x = (Na)^k$ , thus  $G/N \subseteq (Na)$ .

Since we have double set inclusion, we know  $G/N = (Na)$ , so  $G/N$  is cyclic.

v) First, let's show such a  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism. Let  $g, h \in G$ .  
 $\varphi(gh) = Ng = Ng \star Nh = \varphi(g)\varphi(h)$

Now let's show  $\varphi$  is onto  $G/N$ . Trivially  $\text{Rng}(\varphi) \subseteq G/N$  b/c  $\varphi$  is well-defined. Let's show the reverse.

Let  $x \in G/N$ . Then  $x = Na = \varphi(a)$  for some  $a \in G/N$ .  
Thus  $x \in \text{Rng}(\varphi)$  & so  $G/N \subseteq \text{Rng}(\varphi)$ .

Therefore  $G/N = \text{Rng}(\varphi)$  &  $\varphi$  is onto.

Now let's show  $\ker(\varphi) = N$ . Let  $e$  be the identity of  $G$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\ker(\varphi) &= \{g \in G \mid \varphi(g) = Ne = N\} \\ &= \{g \in G \mid Ng = N\} \\ &= \{g \in G \mid g \in N\} \\ &= N \quad (\text{since } N \trianglelefteq G).\end{aligned}$$

Thus all parts hold.

### # First Homomorphism Theorem

The first homomorphism theorem is a big deal. Let's set the stage.

Let  $G$  &  $G'$  be groups. If  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$  is a homomorphism, we know its range  $\text{Rng}(\varphi) = \varphi(G)$  is a subgroup of  $G'$ .

Let  $N$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . There must be a canonical homomorphism  $\tilde{\varphi}$  from  $G$  onto  $G/N$  such that  $\ker(\tilde{\varphi}) = N$ . In particular  
 $\tilde{\varphi}(g) = Ng$ .

If  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$  is a homomorphism, then its kernel  $\ker(\varphi)$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ , that is  $\ker(\varphi) \trianglelefteq G$  & homomorphism  $\varphi: G/\ker(\varphi) \rightarrow G'$ .

Consider the canonical homomorphism  $\tilde{\iota}$  from  $G$  onto  $G/\text{ker}(\psi)$ .

Let's draw a diagram of this.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G & \xrightarrow{\psi} & G' \\ \tilde{\iota} \downarrow & ; \quad \theta \downarrow & \\ G/\text{ker}(\psi) & & \end{array}$$

Is there a homomorphism  $\theta$  st  $\psi = \theta \circ \tilde{\iota}$ ? In other words we want for all  $g \in G$   
 $(\theta \circ \tilde{\iota})(g) = \psi(g)$ .

We rewrite  $(\theta \circ \tilde{\iota})(g)$  as  $\theta$  definition of  $\tilde{\iota}$   
 $(\theta \circ \tilde{\iota})(g) = \theta(\tilde{\iota}(g)) = \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g)$ .

So we need to define  $\theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g)$  to  $\psi(g) \quad \forall g \in G$ .  
Is this well defined? If  $\text{ker}(\psi)g = \text{ker}(\psi)h$ , is  $\theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g) = \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)h)$ ?

Ihm: First Homomorphism Theorem

Let  $G$  &  $G'$  be groups w/ homomorphism  $\psi: G \rightarrow G'$ ,

let  $\tilde{\iota}$  denote the canonical homomorphism from  $G$  onto  $G/\text{ker}(\psi)$ .

Let  $H' = \text{rng}(\psi) = \psi(G)$ .

We know the following:

i) There is a monomorphism  $\theta: G/\text{ker}(\psi) \rightarrow G'$  st  $\theta \circ \tilde{\iota} = \psi$ .

ii) The range of  $\theta$  is  $H'$ . Thus  $G/\text{ker}(\psi)$  is isomorphic to  $H'$ . (B/c  $\theta$  is an isomorphism from  $G/\text{ker}(\psi)$  to  $H'$ )

iii) If  $\psi$  is onto  $G'$ , then  $G/\text{ker}(\psi)$  is isomorphic to  $G'$ .

PE:

Define  $\theta$  by  $\theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g) = \psi(g)$ . Since  $\tilde{\iota}(g) = \text{ker}(\psi)g \quad \forall g$ , we know that indeed  $\psi = \theta \circ \tilde{\iota}$ , if  $\theta$  is well defined.

Let's show that  $\theta$  is well defined. Let  $g, h \in G$  be elements of  $G$  such that  $\text{ker}(\psi)g = \text{ker}(\psi)h$ . We show  $\theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g) = \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)h)$ .

By the definition of equality of cosets, if  $\text{ker}(\psi)g = \text{ker}(\psi)h$ , then  $gh^{-1} \in \text{ker}(\psi)$ .

Since  $gh^{-1} \in \text{ker}(\psi)$ , we know  $\psi(gh^{-1}) = e'$  where  $e'$  is the identity of  $G'$ .  
We now show  $\theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g) = \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)h)$  by showing  $\psi(g) = \psi(h)$ .

$$e' = \psi(gh^{-1}) = \psi(g)\psi(h^{-1}) = \psi(g)\psi(h)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow e'\psi(h) = \psi(g)\psi(h)^{-1}\psi(h)$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(h) = \psi(g)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)h) = \theta(\text{ker}(\psi)g)$$

Thus  $\theta$  is well-defined.

(well-defined/closed)

(i) Now we show  $\theta$  is indeed a homomorphism

Let  $g, h \in G_2$ . We show  $\theta$  is a homomorphism, that is

$$\theta(\ker(\psi)g * \ker(\psi)h) = \theta(\ker(\psi)g) \theta(\ker(\psi)h),$$

by the following algebra:

$$\begin{aligned} & \theta(\ker(\psi)g * \ker(\psi)h) \\ &= \theta(\ker(\psi)gh) \\ &= \psi(gh) \\ &= \psi(g)\psi(h) \\ &= \theta(\ker(\psi)g)\theta(\ker(\psi)h). \end{aligned}$$

(homomorphism)

Now let's show that  $\theta$  is one-to-one/a monomorphism.

To do this we show  $\ker(\theta) = \{\ker(\psi)\}$  where  $\ker(\psi)$  is the identity of  $G/\ker(\psi)$ . You could show the "more standard" way but it's harder.

$$\begin{aligned} \ker(\theta) &= \{k \in \ker(\psi)g \in G/\ker(\psi) \mid \theta(\ker(\psi)g) = e'\in G'\} \\ &= \{\ker(\psi)g \in G/\ker(\psi) \mid \psi(g) = e'\} \\ &= \{\ker(\psi)g \in G/\ker(\psi) \mid g \in \ker(\psi)\} \\ &= \{\ker(\psi)\}. \end{aligned}$$

(i) Since  $\ker(\theta) = \{\ker(\psi)\}$ , (identity of  $G/\ker(\psi)$ ),  $\theta$  monomorphism (monomorphism)

(ii) We won't show that the range of  $\theta$  is  $H'$  here, b/c time.

### Example:

Let  $G$  be all functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  under addition + where  $(f+g)(x) = f(x) + g(x) \quad \forall f, g \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ & } x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$G$  is an abelian group. We show that partially here.

The identity of  $G$  is the zero function  $z(x) = 0$ .

The inverse of  $G$  is the negative of the given  $f \in G$ . That is  $f^{-1}(x) = -f(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Consider  $N = \{f \in G \mid f(\pi) = 0\}$ . This is in fact a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

The identity  $z(x) = 0$  is in  $N$  b/c  $z(\pi) = 0$ .

$N$  is closed under the group operation + b/c

$$f(\pi) + g(\pi) = 0 \quad \text{when } f(\pi) = 0 \text{ & } g(\pi) = 0 \quad (\text{i.e. } f, g \in N)$$

$N$  has the inverse property b/c  $\forall f \in N \quad f^{-1} \in N$ . That is

$$-f(\pi) = 0 \quad \text{when } f(\pi) = 0 \quad (\text{i.e. } f \in N).$$

Thus  $N$  is a subgroup.

Since  $G$  is abelian,  $N$  is abelian. Further, since  $G$  is abelian,  $N$  is a normal subgroup, as all subgroups of an abelian group are normal.

We want to show that  $G/N$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ . We do this by finding a homomorphism from  $G$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ , where  $\ker(\varphi) = N$ . That is, we want  $f \in N$  iff  $\varphi(f) = \varphi(\pi)$ .

Define  $\varphi$  by the evaluation on  $\pi$ . That is

$$\varphi(f) = f(\pi) \quad \forall f \in G \Leftrightarrow f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

We show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism w/ our properties.

$$\varphi(f) = f(\pi) = 0 \text{ iff } f \in N \Leftrightarrow f(\pi) = 0.$$

$\varphi$  is a homomorphism b/c  $\varphi(f+g) = (f+g)(\pi) = f(\pi) + g(\pi) = \varphi(f) + \varphi(g)$ .

We now show  $\varphi$  is onto. Let  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , we find a  $f(x) \in G$  st  $f(\pi) = r$ . Choose  $f(\pi) = r$ . Then  $\varphi(f) = f(\pi) = r$ , then  $r \in \text{Rng}(\varphi)$ , so  $\varphi$  is onto. (Formally,  $r \in \text{Rng}(\varphi)$  as shown &  $\text{Rng}(\varphi) \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  b/c  $\varphi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  well-defined.)

Example:

Let  $\mathbb{R}^* = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ .  $\mathbb{R}^*$  is an abelian group under multiplication.

Consider the normal subgroup  $(0, \infty) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^*$ . if  $a > 0$ ,  $(0, \infty) \cdot a = (0, \infty) \cdot 1$  b/c  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  st  $a^n = 1$ .

$\mathbb{R}/(0, \infty)$  has two elements, namely  $(0, \infty) \cdot 1$  &  $(0, \infty) \cdot -1$ .

What other groups have exactly 2 elements?

•  $\{\pm 1\}$  under multiplication

•  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  under  $+$

•  $S_2$  under  $\circ$

Let's pick  $S_2$  & show  $\mathbb{R}^*/(0, \infty)$  is isomorphic to it.

We need to find a homomorphism  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow S_2$  st  $\ker(\varphi) = (0, \infty)$ . Recall  $S_2 = \{e, f\}$  where  $e: 1 \mapsto 2, 2 \mapsto 1$ .

Define  $\varphi$  as

$$\varphi(r) = \begin{cases} e & r \in (0, \infty) \cdot 1 \\ f & r \in (0, \infty) \cdot -1 \end{cases}$$

If  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism, then  $\ker(\varphi) = (0, \infty)$  clearly (b/c  $\varphi(r) = e \forall r \in (0, \infty)$ ).

Now we show  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism

$$\varphi(ab) = \begin{cases} e & ab > 0 \\ f & ab < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} e & a > 0 \wedge b > 0 \\ f & a > 0 \wedge b < 0 \end{cases} = \varphi(a) \circ \varphi(b).$$

really  $ab = (0, \infty) \cdot 1 \quad \begin{cases} e & a < 0 \wedge b > 0 \\ f & a < 0 \wedge b < 0 \end{cases}$  should be cosets

Since  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism w/  $\ker(\varphi) = (0, \infty)$ , we know  $\varphi$  is onto.  $S_2$  &  $\mathbb{R}/(0, \infty)$  are isomorphic.

## Chapter 3

We'll be dealing a lot w/  $S_n$  that is the set of bijections w/in  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  or equivalently the permutations of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ , so let's get a more compact notation.

### Notation!

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider  $S_n$  w/  $\sigma \in S_n$ . Instead of writing

$$\sigma(1) = a_1, \sigma(2) = a_2, \dots, \sigma(n) = a_n$$

we write

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

This notation also lets you visualize composition like  $\tau \circ \sigma$  by "rearranging" the columns of  $\tau$  so that the top numbers of  $\tau$  align w/ the bottom numbers of  $\sigma$ .

Likewise visualize inverse as flipping the rows & reordering the columns in sorted order.

### Def: Cycle

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  &  $r \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $r \leq n$ .

Let  $i_1, \dots, i_r$  be distinct integers in  $1, \dots, n$ .

Define  $\sigma$  in  $S_n$  by

$$\sigma(j) = j \quad \text{where } j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus \{i_1, \dots, i_r\}$$

$$\sigma(i_k) = i_{k+1} \quad \text{where } k \in n$$

$$\sigma(i_r) = i_1$$

Basically you rotate the  $i$ 's to the right & leave the rest alone.

We call this permutation  $\sigma$  an  $r$ -cycle denoted  $(i_1 i_2 \dots i_r)$  where  $r$  is the length of  $\sigma$ .

When  $r=2$ , we call  $\sigma$  a transposition.

### Def:

Two cycles  $(i_1 \dots i_r)$  &  $(j_1 \dots j_s)$  are disjoint iff

$$\{i_1, \dots, i_r\} \cap \{j_1, \dots, j_s\} = \emptyset$$

non-cyclic

### Example:

Let  $\sigma = (1 2)$  in  $S_3$ . Write  $\sigma$  in our compact notation

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example

Let  $\sigma = (12)$  in  $S_3$ . Write  $\sigma$  more explicitly

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Rem:

From the above examples you can see we need to know  $n$  to compute the functional value of  $\sigma$ .

We can compose  $\circ$  cycles (note: we elide the  $\circ$ ) like we do w/ mappings.

Example:

Consider  $(134)(231)(145)$  in  $S_5$ . Write  $\sigma$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm:

1) Every 1-cycle is the identity permutation

2) If  $i, j \in N$ , then  $(ij)^{-1} = (ji) = (ij)$

3) If  $\sigma = (i_1 \dots i_r)$ , then  $\sigma^{-1} = (i_r \dots i_1)$

4) The order of an  $r$ -cycle is  $r$

5) If  $\sigma = (i_1 \dots i_r)$  &  $\rho \in S_n$ , then  $\rho\sigma\rho^{-1} = (\rho(i_1) \dots \rho(i_r))$ .

6) Disjoint subgroups commute.

My addition

7) If  $\sigma = (i_1 \dots i_r)$ , then  
 $\sigma = (i_2 \dots i_r i_1)$

Thm:

Every permutation is a product of disjoint cycles.

We won't prove this theorem b/c it's tough.

# Transpositions & Alternating Groups

We want to show that you can write every permutation  $\sigma$  in  $S_n$  as a product of transpositions. First let's show you can write every  $r$ -cycle as a product of transpositions. We'll only be focusing on  $n \geq 2$  b/c  $S_1$  is boring.

Let  $\sigma$  be an  $r$ -cycle where  $r \in N$ .

If  $r=1$ , then  $\sigma$  is the identity, so  $\sigma = (12)(12) = 1$ .

If  $r \geq 1$ , then where  $\sigma = (i_1 \dots i_r)$  we can rewrite  $\sigma$  as product of  $r-1$  transpositions

$$\sigma = (i_1 i_2)(i_1 i_3) \dots (i_1 i_r).$$

I'm behind on notes so you can check this yourself.

Example:

$$(1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 5) = (1 \ 5)(1 \ 4)(1 \ 2)$$
$$(1 \ 2 \ 4 \ 5 \ 3) = (1 \ 3)(1 \ 5)(1 \ 4)(1 \ 2)$$

Example:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & ((1234)(56)(78))^{-1} \\
 &= (78)^{-1}(56)^{-1}(1234)^{-1} \\
 &= (87)(65)(4321) \\
 &= (87)(65)(41)(42)(43)
 \end{aligned}$$

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Def:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $\sigma \in S_n$  be a permutation in  $S_n$ .

We say  $\sigma$  is even if  $\sigma$  can be written as the product of an even number of transpositions.

We say  $\sigma$  is odd if  $\sigma$  can be written as the product of an odd number of transpositions.

Thm:

A permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  cannot be both even & odd, but it must be one of them.

We won't show that here, "

Def:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $A_n = \{\sigma \in S_n \mid \sigma \text{ even}\}$ .  
 $A_n$  is called the alternating group of degree  $n$ .

Note that  $A_n$  is indeed a subgroup of  $S_n$ .

Example:

Consider  $S_2$ . We know  $S_2 = \{i, (12)\}$ .

Since  $i = (12)(12)$  is even &  $(12)$  is odd,

$$A_2 = \{i\}.$$

Example:

Consider  $S_3$ . We know  $|S_3| = 3! = 6$  & in particular

$$S_3 = \{(), (12), (13), (23), (123), (132)\}.$$

What is  $A_3$ ?

$r=3 \Rightarrow r-1$  products

$$i = (12)(12) \in A_3$$

$$(123) = (13)(12) \in A_3$$

$$(13) \notin A_3$$

$$(132) = (12)(13) \in A_3$$

$$(23) \notin A_3$$

$$(12) \notin A_3$$

$$\text{So } |A_3| = 3.$$

Given the above two examples ( $\sigma$  is even & odd), we conjecture  
 $|A_n| = |S_n|/2 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 1$ .

Thm:

Consider  $r$ -cycle  $\sigma$ .  $\sigma$  is even if  $r$  is odd & odd if  $r$  is even.

This is b/c we showed we can write any  $r$ -cycle as a product of  $r-1$  transpositions.

Thm:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $n \geq 1$ . Then  $A_n$  is a normal subgroup of  $S_n$  & the index  $[S_n : A_n]$  of  $A_n$  in  $S_n$  is 2 & thus  $|A_n| = \frac{n!}{2} = |S_n|/2$ .

From Lagrange's

Pf:

Define a function  $f: S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  by  $f(\sigma) = \begin{cases} [0]_2 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ [1]_2 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$  We consider  $S_n$  under  $\circ$  &  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  under +.

We show  $f$  is a homomorphism. Consider  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in S_n$ . We have 4 cases.

$\sigma_1$  even &  $\sigma_2$  even  $\Rightarrow \sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2$  even b/c even+even=even.

$$f(\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2) = [0]_2$$

$$f(\sigma_1) + f(\sigma_2) = [0]_2 + [0]_2 = [0]_2$$

$\sigma_1$  odd &  $\sigma_2$  odd  $\Rightarrow \sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2$  even b/c odd+odd=even

$$f(\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2) = [0]_2$$

$$f(\sigma_1) + f(\sigma_2) = [1]_2 + [1]_2 = [0]_2$$

$\sigma_1$  odd &  $\sigma_2$  even  $\Rightarrow \sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2$  odd b/c odd+even=odd

$$f(\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2) = [1]_2$$

$$f(\sigma_1) + f(\sigma_2) = [1]_2 + [0]_2 = [1]_2$$

$\sigma_1$  even &  $\sigma_2$  odd follows the same logic to above.

Note that in all cases if we can write  $\sigma_1$  as a product of  $s$  transpositions &  $\sigma_2$  is a product of  $t$  transpositions, then  $\sigma_1 \circ \sigma_2$  can be written as the product of  $s+t$  transpositions where you simply combine  $\sigma_1$  &  $\sigma_2$ 's two transpositions.

Thus  $f$  is a homomorphism.

By the way we defined  $f$ , we know

$$A_n = \ker(f) = \{\sigma \in S_n \mid \sigma \text{ is even}\}.$$

Thus we know  $A_n$  is a normal subgroup of  $S_n$  b/c all kernels are normal subgroups.

By the first homomorphism theorem  $S_n/A_n$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ . Therefore  $|S_n/A_n| = 2$ , thus  $[S_n : A_n] = 2$ .

By Lagrange's theorem

$$|S_n| = [S_n : A_n] |A_n| \Rightarrow |A_n| = |S_n|/[S_n : A_n] = n!/2, \square$$

# Chapter 4

Here we'll talk about rings, which is like  $+$  &  $\cdot$  on  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Def:

Let  $R$  be a non-empty set w/ binary operations  $+$  &  $\cdot$  on  $R$ .  
 $(R, +, \cdot)$  is called a ring, specifically a ring under  $+$  &  $\cdot$   
iff

- i)  $R$  is an abelian group under  $+$
- ii)  $a \cdot b \in R \quad \forall a, b \in R$  (i.e.  $\cdot$  is a well-defined binary op)
- iii)  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$  (i.e.  $\cdot$  is associative)
- iv)  $(a + b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c \quad \& \quad a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c \quad \forall a, b, c \in R$   
(i.e.  $\cdot$  distributes over  $+$ )

Note that  $\cdot$  doesn't need to be commutative

Rem:

- (i) means
  - i)  $+$  bin. op. over  $R$ ,
  - ii)  $+$  associative & commutative, &
  - iii)  $+$  has identity & inverses
- (iv) or called the distributive laws

The additive identity in  $R$  is denoted by  $0$  or  $0_R$

The additive inverse of  $a \in R$  is denoted  $-a$ .

Def:

$R$  is a commutative ring iff  $\cdot$  is commutative on  $R$ .  
( $\&$   $R$  is a ring).

$R$  is called a ring w/ identity iff there is a  $\cdot$  identity  $1$  (or  $1_R$ ) in  $R$  such that  $1 \neq 0$ , not included by everyone

Rem:

If  $R$  is a ring w/ identity, the multiplicative inverse of  $a \in R$  is denoted by  $a^{-1}$ . If  $a^{-1}$  exists, we say " $a \in R$  is an invertible element".

If you let  $1=0$ , then  $R=\{0\}$ . This is b/c  $0 \cdot a=0$ .  
If  $1 \neq 0$ , then for all  $a \in R$   $1 \cdot a=a$  &  $0 \cdot a=0$ . If  $0 \neq 1$  then  $1 \cdot a=0 \cdot a$ , so  $a=0$  for all  $a \in R$ .

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}$  under normal + &  $\cdot$ . Then  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a commutative ring w/ identity.  $\pm 1$  are the only invertible elements or  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ .

Example:

Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $n \neq 1$ . Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a commutative ring w/ identity  $[1]_n$ . Let's prove that.

As we've studied before,  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is an abelian group under  $+$ . Associativity & well-definedness of  $\cdot$  is easy to show, so let's do distributivity.

Take some  $[a]_n, [b]_n, [c]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} [a]_n \cdot ([b]_n + [c]_n) &= [a]_n \cdot [b+c]_n \\ &= [a(b+c)]_n \\ &= [ab+ac]_n \\ &= [a]_n [b]_n + [a]_n [c]_n. \end{aligned}$$

we haven't proven  
this yet

Since  $\cdot$  is commutative, this shows both distributive laws. (distributivity)

We also haven't shown commutativity or identity of  $\cdot$ , but those are again easy.

Let's find when  $[a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  is invertible. We know  $[a]_n$  is invertible iff  $\exists [b]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  st  $[a]_n [b]_n = [b]_n [a]_n = [1]_n$ . Now  $[a]_n [b]_n = [1]_n$  iff  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .

Let  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $\exists b \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $ab \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$  iff  $n$  divides  $ab - 1$ .  $n$  divides  $ab - 1$  iff  $\exists c \in \mathbb{Z}$  st  $ab - 1 = nc$ . This holds iff  $ab + n(-c) = 1$ . This is true iff  $a$  &  $c$  are relatively prime.

How do we find  $b$ ? The Euclidean algorithm. (find GCD)

Example:

Consider  $R = \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .  $R$  is a ring w/ identity under standard addition & multiplication.

We know  $A$  invertible iff  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .

We know  $R$  commutative iff  $n = 1$ . Or w/ it's non-commutative.

Example:

Let  $R$  denote the set of polynomials w/ real coefficients  $(\mathbb{R}[x])$ .  $R$  is a commutative ring under normal  $+$  &  $\cdot$ . What are the invertible elements of  $R$ ?

Thm:

Let  $R$  be a ring.  $0a = a0 = 0 \quad \forall a \in R$ .

Pf:

Consider  $a \in R$ . Then

$$a \cdot 0 = a \cdot (0 + 0) = a \cdot 0 + a \cdot 0$$

$$\text{Thus } -(a \cdot 0) + (a \cdot 0) = -(a \cdot 0) + (a \cdot 0 + a \cdot 0) = (-a \cdot 0) + a \cdot 0 = a \cdot 0$$

Since  $-(a \cdot 0) + a \cdot 0 = a \cdot 0$  but also  $-(a \cdot 0) + a \cdot 0 = 0$ , we know  $a \cdot 0 = 0$  E

We show the same for  $0 \cdot a$ .  $\square$

Thm: Let  $R$  be a ring. Then  $a(-b) = -(ab)$   $\forall a, b \in R$

Pf: Consider  $a, b \in R$ .

We show  $a(-b) = -(ab)$ .

$$a(-b) + (ab) = a(-b + b) = a0 = 0$$

Since  $+$  is commutative, we also have

$$(ab) + a(-b) = 0$$

So  $a(-b)$  is the additive inverse of  $(ab)$ . Thus

$$a(-b) = -(ab)$$

$(-a)b = -(ab)$  follows similarly.  $\square$

Thm: Let  $R$  be a ring. Then  $(-a)(-b) = ab$   $\forall a, b \in R$

Pf: Consider  $a, b \in R$ . By our earlier theorem  $(-a)(-b) = -(-a(-b)) = -(-(ab))$

Since this is a double inverse, we conclude

$$-(-ab) = ab$$

so we conclude

$$(-a)(-b) = ab.$$

Thm: Let  $R$  be a ring w/ identity 1. Consider  $a \in R$ . If  $b, c \in R$  are inverses of  $a$ , that is

$$ab = ba = 1 \quad \& \quad ac = ca = 1$$

then  $b = c$ . In other words  $a^{-1}$  (multiplicative inverse of  $a$ ) is unique if it exists.

We did this for groups by considering  $bac$ .

Thm: Let  $R$  be a ring w/ identity. Consider  $a, b \in R$ . Then  $ab$  is invertible if  $a$  &  $b$  are invertible.

We again just show by associativity that  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$  like we did w/ groups.  
 $(ab)(b^{-1}a^{-1}) = a(b^{-1}b)a^{-1} = a \cdot 1 \cdot a^{-1} = 1$

Rem: The converse, that  $a$  &  $b$  are invertible is definitely true for commutative rings. It might be true in general but we haven't shown that here. (sic)

Notation:

Consider  $a \in R$  where  $R$  is a ring. Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

i) We denote the  $n$ th power of addition by  $na$ . So  
 $3a = a + a + a$

ii) We denote the  $n$ th power of multiplication by  $a^n$ . So  
 $a^0 = a \cdot a \cdot a \cdots a$

If  $R$  is a ring w/ identity &  $a \in R$  is invertible, then

$$a^{-n} = (a^{-1})^n = a^{-1} \cdot a^{-1} \cdot a^{-1} \cdots a^{-1}$$

And trivially  
 $a^0 = 1$

Properties:

Consider  $a, b \in R$  where  $R$  is a ring &  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

i)  $(n+m)a = na + ma$

ii)  $n(a+b) = na + nb$

iii)  $(a^n)^m = a^{nm}$

# Special rings

We'll talk about integral rings (rings like  $\mathbb{Z}$ ) & rational rings (rings like  $\mathbb{Q}$ ).

Def:

Consider  $a \in R$  where  $a \neq 0$  &  $R$  is a ring.  
 $a$  is said to be a zero divisor or divisor of zero if  $\exists b \in R$  where  $b \neq 0$  such that  
 $ab = ba = 0$

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  under standard  $+$  &  $\cdot$ . Are there any zero divisors in  $\mathbb{Z}_4$ ?

$$\times [0]_4 = 0 \in \mathbb{Z}_4$$

$$\times [1]_4 [0]_4 = [0]_4 \neq 0 \text{ iff } [a]_4 \neq 0, x$$

$$\checkmark [2]_4 [2]_4 = [4]_4 = [0]_4 = 0,$$

$$\times [3]_4 [1]_4 = [3]_4 \neq 0, [3]_4 [2]_4 = [6]_4 \neq 0, [3]_4 [3]_4 = [9]_4 \neq 0$$

Only show one side b/c  $\circ$  commutative here

We can see only  $[2]_4$  is a zero divisor. 3

### Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_6$ . Are there any zero divisors?

We claim & you can show that  $[2]_6, [3]_6, [4]_6$  are the only zero divisors. (we will only check these)

$$[2]_6 [3]_6 = [6]_6 = 0 \Rightarrow [2]_6 \text{ & } [3]_6 \text{ zero divisors}$$

$$[4]_6 [3]_6 = [12]_6 = 0 \Rightarrow [4]_6 \text{ & } [3]_6 \text{ zero divisors.}$$

### Def:

Let  $R$  be a commutative ring w/ identity

1)  $R$  is an integral domain if  $R$  has no zero divisors

2)  $R$  is a Field if all non-zero elements  $a$  in  $R$  are invertible in  $\overline{R}$ .

### Remark:

If  $R$  is a commutative ring w/ identity, then  $R$  is a field iff

$$\{a \in R \mid a \neq 0\} = R \setminus \{0\}$$

is a group under multiplication  $\circ$ ,

### PF:

This is trivial for the identity, inverse property, & associativity. We must only show closure.

Consider  $a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ . Is  $a \cdot b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ ? That is does  $ab \neq 0$ ?

Suppose for contradiction that  $a \neq 0$  &  $b \neq 0$  but  $ab = 0$

$$ab = 0 =$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1}(a \cdot b) = a^{-1}0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 0$$

This contradicts  $b \neq 0$ , thus  $ab \neq 0$  &  $ab \in R \setminus \{0\}$ .  
We have thus shown closure.

The converse isn't true

### Thm:

If  $R$  is a field, then  $R$  is an integral domain.

### PF:

Suppose for contradiction that  $R$  is a field but  $R$  is not an integral domain. Since  $R$  is not an integral domain, there is a divisor of zero,

Thus  $\exists a, b \in R$  where  $a \neq 0$  &  $b \neq 0$ , but  $ab = ba = 0$ .

Since  $R$  is a field,  $R \setminus \{0\}$  forms a group under multiplication. By the closure property  $ab \in R \setminus \{0\} \forall a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ . In other words,  $ab \neq 0 \forall a, b \in R$  where  $a \neq 0$  &  $b \neq 0$ . But this contradicts our assumption that  $R$  is an integral domain.

Thus  $R$  is a field implies  $R$  is an integral domain.  $\square$

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}$ . It is an integral domain but not field.

$\mathbb{Z}$  is not a field b/c  $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  but  $1/2 \notin \mathbb{Z}$ . However,  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a commutative ring. Further if  $ab=0$ , then  $a=0$  or  $b=0$ . By contraposition if  $a \neq 0$  &  $b \neq 0$ , then  $ab \neq 0$ . Thus  $\mathbb{Z}$  has no divisors of zero & is an integral domain as such.

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{R}$ .  $\mathbb{R}$  is a field.

Let's go back to our divisors of zero for  $\mathbb{Z}_n$

Example

We showed  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  &  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  have divisors of zero. You can check that  $\mathbb{Z}_3$  &  $\mathbb{Z}_5$  have no divisors of zero (i.e. are integral domains)

We conjecture that for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $n \geq 1$

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  has a divisor of zero iff  $n$  is not prime / is composite.

$\mathbb{Z}_n$  has no divisors of zero / is an integral domain iff  $n$  is prime.

This is true! (Not yet proven)

Thm:

If  $R$  is a ring w/ identity, &  $a \in R$  is an invertible element in  $R$ . Then  $a$  is not a divisor of zero.

PF:

Suppose for contradiction that  $a \in R$  is invertible &  $a$  is a divisor of zero, that is  $\exists b \in R$  where  $b \neq 0$  st  $ab = ba = 0$ .

Using a series of algebraic transformations we get

$0 = a^{-1}0 = a^{-1}(ab) = b$   
This contradicts  $b \neq 0$ , so  $a \in R$  is not a divisor of zero.

This theorem lets us connect our earlier theorem that  $[a]_n$  is invertible if & only if  $a$  &  $n$  are coprime.

Note that we haven't shown that all non-invertible elements of  $R$  are divisors of zero. This is true for some rings (e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ ) but not for others (i.e.  $\mathbb{Z}$ ).

Example:

Consider  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  where  $p$  is prime. Then  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  has no divisors of zero (i.e. it's an integral field) b/c all  $[a]_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  are invertible since  $a$  &  $p$  are coprime, that is  $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ , b/c  $p$  is prime.

## Conclusions:

Suppose  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $n \neq 1$ . Then we say the following about  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ :

- 1)  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  has no divisors of zero /  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is an integral field iff  $n$  is prime.
  - 2) All  $[a]_n \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  is invertible /  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a field iff  $n$  is prime.
- The following are about non- $\mathbb{Z}_n$  fields
- 3)  $\mathbb{Q}$  has no divisors of zero b/c  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Q}$  is invertible /  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a field.
  - 4)  $\mathbb{Z}$  has no divisors of zero /  $\mathbb{Z}$  is an integral field.

## Example:

Consider  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Can we show  $A$  is a divisor of zero only using  $B$ .

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $AB \neq 0$  but  $BA = 0$ , we cannot conclude whether  $A$  is a divisor of zero or not. (In this case it's but we don't know that here.)

## # Subrings & Ideals

### Def:

Let  $R$  be a ring &  $S$  a non-empty subset of  $R$ .

$S$  is a subring of  $R$  iff  $S$  itself is a ring under the same binary operations as  $R$ .

A subring  $S$  of  $R$  is an ideal of  $R$  iff  $a \in S \Rightarrow ab \in S$  &  $ba \in S$  for all  $a \in S$  &  $b \in R$ . Intuitively, multiplying by an element of  $S$  collapses the result into  $S$ .

### Example:

The even integers are an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Further  $n\mathbb{Z}$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . (Won't show here)

Remark: Suppose  $S$  is a non-empty subset of ring  $R$ .  $S$  is a subring of  $R$  iff

- $0 \in S$
- $a + b \in S \quad \forall a, b \in S$
- $-a \in S \quad \forall a \in S$
- $ab \in S \quad \forall a, b \in S$

Basically, we don't need to check commutativity, associativity, or distributivity b/c those are "inherited" from  $+ \cdot$  on  $R$ .

Remark: Suppose  $S$  is a non-empty subset of ring  $R$ .  $S$  is an ideal of  $R$  iff

- $0 \in S$
- $a + b \in S \quad \forall a, b \in S$
- $-a \in S \quad \forall a \in S$
- $ab \in S \quad \forall a \in S \text{ & } b \in R \text{ + stronger than (d) for subrings}$

Notice that this is identical to the requirements for subrings except (d) is made stronger.

could just say ideal

Example: Let  $R$  be a ring. Then  $\{0_R\}$  &  $R$  are both subrings & ideals of  $R$ .

Let's first show  $\{0_R\}$  ideal (b thus subring) of  $R$

$$a) 0_R \in \{0_R\}$$

$$b) 0_R + 0_R = 0_R \in \{0_R\}$$

$$c) -0_R = 0_R \in \{0_R\}$$

$$d) 0_R b = b 0_R = 0_R \in \{0_R\} \quad \forall b \in R$$

Now we can very easily show  $R$  similarly. For brevity we skip this.

Example: Let  $S$  be an ideal of  $R = \mathbb{Z}$ .

If  $S = \{0\}$ , then  $S = 0\mathbb{Z}$ .

If  $S \neq \{0\}$ , then  $\exists s \in S$  st  $s \neq 0$ . We know  $-s \in S$  &  $-s > 0$  or  $s > 0$ . Thus  $S$  contains a positive integer.

By the well-ordering principle, we know there exists a smallest positive integer  $n \in S$ . We want to show  $S = n\mathbb{Z}$ , which we do by double set inclusion.

Since  $n \in S$  &  $S$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $nz \in S \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus  $n\mathbb{Z} \subseteq S$ .

Let  $m$  be an element of  $S$ . By the division algorithm  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  st

$$m = qn + r \quad \& \quad 0 \leq r < n.$$

To show  $m \in n\mathbb{Z}$ , we want  $r = 0$ . By the above equation, we get

$r = m + (-q)n$ . We know  $(-q)n \in S$  b/c  $(-q) \in \mathbb{Z}$  &  $n \in S$  &  $S$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Since  $m \in S$  by assumption, we have  $r \in S$ . Since  $r$  is "smaller" than the smallest positive element of  $S$ ,  $n$ , we know  $r$  is not positive. Thus  $r = 0$ .

We thus know  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  where  $q \in \mathbb{Z}$  for all  $m \in S$ . Thus  $S \subseteq \mathbb{Z}$ .

By double set inclusion,  $S = n\mathbb{Z}$ .

Thm: If you have an ideal  $S$  of the integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ , then  $S = n\mathbb{Z}$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

This was proven in our above example.

Thm: If  $R$  is a commutative ring w/ identity &  $a \in R$ , then  $aR = \{ar \mid r \in R\}$  is an ideal containing  $a$ .

We know  $a \in aR$  b/c  $R$  has an identity.

This is the generalization of our above theorem.

Suppose  $R$  is a commutative ring w/ no identity &  $a \in R$ . What can we say about  $aR = \{ar \mid r \in R\}$ ?

Let  $b, c \in aR$ . Then  $b = ar_1$  &  $c = ar_2$  for some  $r_1, r_2 \in R$ . So  $b - c = ar_1 - ar_2 = a(r_1 - r_2) \in aR$ .

From this we conjecture  $aR$  is always a subring of  $R$ . This is indeed true.

Example: Consider subring  $\mathbb{Q}$  of ring  $\mathbb{R}$ . Is  $\mathbb{Q}$  an ideal of  $\mathbb{R}$ ? No.  
Consider  $1 \in \mathbb{Q}$  &  $\pi \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
 $1 \cdot \pi = \pi \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

Thm: Consider subring  $S$  of ring  $R$ , where  $1 \in S$  &  $S \subseteq R$ . Then  $S$  is not an ideal of  $R$ .

PF: Consider  $r \in S$ . Take  $n \in R$  s.t.  $n \notin S$ . We know  $n$  exists b/c  $S$  is a proper subset of  $R$ . Thus  $1 \cdot r = r \in S$  but  $n \cdot r = nr \notin S$ .

## # Ring Homomorphisms

Like group homomorphisms which preserved the group properties, ring homomorphism preserve ring properties.

Def:

Let  $R \& R'$  be rings &  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$  be a function.

- 1)  $\psi$  is a homomorphism iff  $\psi(a+b) = \psi(a) + \psi(b)$  &  $\psi(ab) = \psi(a)\psi(b) \quad \forall a, b \in R$
- 2)  $\psi$  is a monomorphism iff  $\psi$  is a homomorphism & injective
- 3)  $\psi$  is an isomorphism iff  $\psi$  is a homomorphism & bijective
- 4) IFF  $R=R'$  &  $\psi$  is an isomorphism, we call  $\psi$  an automorphism.

Def:

Let  $R \& R'$  be rings. We say  $R \& R'$  are isomorphic & write  $R \cong R'$  iff  $\exists$  isomorphism  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$ .

Example:

Consider rings  $R = \mathbb{Z}$  &  $R' = \mathbb{Z}_n$  where  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$  by  $\psi(n) = [a]_n$ .

We claim  $\psi$  is a (ring) homomorphism.

Take  $a, b \in R = \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$\psi(a+b) = [a+b]_n = [a]_n + [b]_n = \psi(a) + \psi(b) \quad \&$$

$$\psi(ab) = [ab]_n = [a]_n [b]_n = \psi(a) \psi(b)$$

Thus  $\psi$  is a (ring) isomorphism.

We claim  $\psi$  is not injective. Consider  $0, n \in R = \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

$$\psi(0) = [0]_n = [n]_n = \psi(n)$$

but  $0 \neq n$ . Thus  $\psi$  is not injective.

Example:

Consider rings  $R \& R^{2 \times 2}$ . Define  $\psi: R \rightarrow R^{2 \times 2}$  by

$$\psi(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We show  $\psi$  is a homomorphism. Let  $a, b \in R$ . Then

$$\psi(a+b) = \begin{bmatrix} a+b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \psi(a) + \psi(b)$$

$$\psi(ab) = \begin{bmatrix} ab & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \psi(a) \psi(b)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

check  
yourself

We show  $\psi$  is a monomorphism by showing it is injective.

Take some  $a, b \in R$  such that  $\psi(a) = \psi(b)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow a = b,$$

Thus  $\psi$  is a monomorphism.

We show it is not isomorphic b/c it isn't surjective.  
 Take  $I \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ . Suppose  $I \in \text{Rng}(\psi)$ , that is  $\exists a \in \mathbb{R}$  st  $\psi(a) = I$ .

$$\psi(a) = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow a = 1.$$

This is a contradiction so  $\psi$  is not an isomorphism.

Note:  $\psi(a) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  wouldn't be a homomorphism b/c

$$\psi(a)\psi(b) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}. \text{ Thus } \psi(1') = \psi(1) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{but } \psi(1) \cdot \psi(1) = 0$$

Def:

Take a ring homomorphism  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$ . The kernel of  $\psi$  is thus  
 $\ker(\psi) = \{a \in R \mid \psi(a) = 0_{R'}\}$  where  
 where  $0_{R'}$  is the additive identity of  $R'$ .

Thm:

Suppose  $R$  &  $R'$  are rings &  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$  is a homomorphism.

- i)  $\ker(\psi)$  is an ideal of  $R$ .
- ii)  $\psi$  is injective (i.e. monomorphism) iff  $\ker(\psi) = \{0_R\}$ .
- iii)  $\psi(na) = n\psi(a) \quad \forall a \in R \text{ & } n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- iv)  $\psi(a^n) = (\psi(a))^n \quad \forall a \in R \text{ & } n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We need  $n \geq 0$  b/c  
 we don't know that a multiplicative identity or inverse exists for  
 $a^{-1}, a^{-2}, \dots, a^{-n}$ .

You could say this for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  if  $R$  is a field &  $a \neq 0$ .

Def:

- i) We know  $\ker(\psi) \subseteq R$  by definition.

Since  $\psi$  is a homomorphism from  $(R, +)$  to  $(R', +)$ , we know  
 $\psi(0_R) = 0_{R'}$ . Thus  $0_R \in \ker(\psi)$ .

By our work on group homomorphisms we also know  
 $a+b \in R \Leftrightarrow a, b \in R$  for all  $a, b \in \ker(\psi)$ .

Now we just show the ideal property, that is  
 $a \in R \wedge b \in R \Rightarrow ab \in \ker(\psi) \wedge a^{-1} \in R$ .

Take  $\ker(\psi)$  & set. We show as, say  $\ker(\psi)$ , that is  $\psi(a) = 0_{R'}$  &  $\psi(sa) = 0_{R'}$ .

b/c  $\psi$  is a ring homomorphism we know

$$\psi(aS) = \psi(a)\psi(S) = 0_{R'} \quad b/c \quad \psi(a) = 0_{R'} \quad \& \quad \psi(sa) \text{ likewise.}$$

Thus  $\ker(\psi)$  is an ideal of  $R$ .  $\square$  (ii)

should name  
this proposition

PF: (iv)

We show inductively that  $\psi(a^n) = \psi(a)^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\xrightarrow{\text{Pf.}}$

First we show this is true for  $n=1$ . Trivially  $\psi(a') = \psi(a) = \psi(a)^1$ .

$$\psi(a^1) = \psi(a) = \psi(a)^1$$

Now suppose this holds for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . We show this holds for  $m+1$ .

$$\psi(a^{m+1}) = \psi(a^m a) = \psi(a^m) \psi(a) = \psi(a)^m \psi(a) = \psi(a)^{m+1}$$

Thus our proposition holds for  $m+1$  whenever it holds for  $m$

By the principle of mathematical induction,

$$\psi(a^n) = \psi(a)^n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Example:

We want to find all ring homomorphisms  $\psi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ .

Suppose  $\psi$  is a ring homomorphism. Then

$$\psi(1) = \psi(1 \cdot 1) = \psi(1)\psi(1) = \psi(1)^2$$

By the properties of powers (& multiplication), we know  $\psi(1)=0$  or  $\psi(1)=1$ .

Suppose  $\psi(1)=0$ . Then for all  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\psi(z) = \psi(1 \cdot z) = \psi(1)\psi(z) = 0.$$

So  $\psi$  is the constant function 0.

Suppose  $\psi(1)=1$ . Then by (iii) in our earlier theorem

$$\psi(z) = \psi(z \cdot 1) = z \cdot \psi(1) = z$$

So  $\psi$  is the identity function.

Thus the constant function 0 & the identity function are the only ring homomorphisms on  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

Let's cover the ring analog of the first homomorphism theorem.

Thm:

Let  $R$  &  $R'$  be rings &  $\psi: R \rightarrow R'$  be a (ring) homomorphism. Let  $i$  denote the canonical homomorphism  $R \rightarrow R/\ker(\psi)$ . Let  $H' = \text{Range}(\psi)$ .

1) There exists monomorphism  $\theta: R/\ker(\psi) \rightarrow R'$  such that  $\theta \circ i = \psi$

2) The range of  $\theta$  is  $H'$  so  $R/\ker(\psi)$  is isomorphic to  $H'$

3) In particular, if  $\psi$  is onto  $R'$ , then  $R/\ker(\psi)$  is isomorphic to  $R'$ .

Let's recall the definition of a canonical homomorphism.

Def:

Let  $I$  be a ring &  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . Define  $i: R \rightarrow R/I$  by

$$i(a) = I + a \quad \forall a \in R$$

i is a ring homomorphism from  $A$  onto  $R/I$  w/ kernel  $I$ . [ ]  
As before we call  $\hat{\circ}$  the canonical homomorphism from  
 $R$  onto  $R/I$ .

How do we define quotient rings like  $A/I$ ? Like so

Def: Quotient Rings

Let  $R$  be a ring &  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . [ ]

Let  $R/I$  denote the right (or left) cosets of  $I$  in  $R$ , that is  
 $R/I = \{I+a \mid a \in R\}$ .

From our work on quotient groups we know  
 $(I+a) + (I+b) = I+(a+b)$   
is well defined.

We'd like to define

$$(I+a)(I+b) = I+(ab).$$

We want this to be well-defined so if  $I+a = I+c$  &  
 $I+b = I+d$  then

$$(I+a)(I+b) = (I+c)(I+d) \Leftrightarrow I+(ab) = I+(cd)$$

This is true iff  $ab - cd \in I$  (given  $a-c \in I$  &  $b-d \in I$ ).

PF: Product is Well-Defined

Let  $a, b, c, d \in I$  where  
 $a-c \in I$  &  $b-d \in I$

or equivalently

$$I+a = I+c \quad \& \quad I+b = I+d.$$

Let  $s_1 = a-c \in I$  &  $s_2 = b-d \in I$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} ab - cd &= a(s_2 + d) - cd && (b = s_2 + d) \\ &= as_2 + ad - cd \\ &= as_2 + (a-c)d \\ &= as_2 + s_1 d && (s_1 = a-c) \end{aligned}$$

We know  $as_2 \in I$  &  $s_1 d \in I$  b/c  $I$  is an ideal in  $R$  &  
 $s_1, s_2 \in I$ . Since  $I$  is closed under  $+$ , we know  
 $ab - cd = as_2 + s_1 d \in I$ .

Thus  $(I+a)(I+b) = I+(ab)$  is well defined  $\forall a, b \in R$

Thm: Let  $R$  be a ring &  $I$  be an ideal of  $R$ . Then

1)  $R/I$  is a ring.

2) If  $R$  is a commutative ring, then so is  $R/I$ .

3) If  $R$  is a ring w/ identity, then so does  $R/I$ .

Given that  $R \neq I$  that is, if  $r=t$ , then  $R/I = \{I\}$ , which means  $0=1$ , which we don't allow by definition of  $I$ .

We call  $R/I$  the quotient ring of  $R$  mod  $I$ .