

## 1 Basic Logic

1. truth value:

$P$	$Q$	$P \wedge \neg P$	$P \vee \neg P$	$(P \vee Q) \Rightarrow (P \wedge Q)$	$(P \Rightarrow Q) \Rightarrow (Q \Rightarrow P)$
T	T	F	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	F	F
T	F	F	T	F	T
F	F	F	T	T	T

Table 1: truth value table

- (1)  $Q \wedge \neg Q = F, P \Rightarrow (Q \wedge \neg Q) = \neg P \vee F = \neg P$
  - (2)  $(P \wedge \neg Q) \Rightarrow Q = \neg P \vee Q \vee Q = \neg P \vee Q = P \Rightarrow Q$
- (1)  $P \wedge Q \Rightarrow R$
  - (2)  $Q \Rightarrow P$
  - (3)  $P \Leftarrow Q$
- We denote that "bear is smart" as  $P$ , "bear is lazy" as  $Q$ , then "bear is not smart" can be denoted as  $\neg P$ . We have  $(P \wedge Q \vee (\neg P)) \wedge P$ , it's equivalent to  $P \wedge Q$ , then  $Q$  must be true.
- We denote "At door 1,2,3" as  $P, Q, R$ , one of them is true, while we can get another information: one of  $\neg P, \neg Q, Q$  is true. Due to "not  $Q$  then  $\neg Q$ ", we can infer that  $\neg P$  is false. (We can confirm while  $Q = R = \text{false}$ , it can satisfy the requirements of the question) so the treasure is behind the Door 1!
- We denote ... can lead to the capital as  $P, Q, R$ , then  $P \wedge (R \Rightarrow Q) = (\neg P) \wedge (\neg R) = P \wedge (\neg Q) = \text{False}$ . Combine the first and the third formula  $P \wedge (\neg R \vee Q \vee \neg Q) = P = \text{False}$ , then from the second  $\neg R = \text{False}$ . We are not sure about the stone path, but we are sure that the dirt path can lead to capital.
- Denote " $a + 1 == 0$ " as  $P$ , " $b + 1 == 0$ " as  $Q$ , then  $ab + a + b \neq -1 = (a + 1)(b + 1) == 0 = \neg P \wedge \neg Q$
- (1) Use the proof by contradiction. Not losing generality, we assume that  $a = 1$ ,

## 4 Ordering

1.  $\frac{7}{13} < \frac{6}{11}$

2. If  $ab < 0, a^2 + b^2 > 0 > ab$ . If  $ab \geq 0, a^2 + b^2 \geq 2ab \geq ab$ . Thus,  $a^2 + b^2 \geq ab$ .

3. Let  $c = 1000000001$ , then  $a = (c+1)^2, b = (c-7)(c+7), a-b = 2c+50 > 0$ . So  $a > b$ .

4.  $\frac{2+\sqrt{3}}{2-\sqrt{3}} = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$

5. (1)  $x \in ]-8, 2[$

(2)  $x \in ]\frac{2}{3}, 6[$

(3)  $x \in ]-2, 4[$

6.  $x \in [-2, \frac{3+\sqrt{13}}{2}]$

7. (1) 0.

(2) -1.

(3) No.

8.

$$A^u = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | \sqrt{2} \leq x\}, A^l = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | -\sqrt{2} \geq x\}$$

$$\sup A = \sqrt{2}, \inf A = -\sqrt{2}$$

$$B^u = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | x \geq 1\}, B^l = \{x \in \mathbb{R} | x \leq 0\}$$

$$\sup B = 1, \inf B = 0$$

9. 2.

10. Cauchy's inequality.  $n^2$

11. (1) (a) reflexive:  $A \subseteq A$

(b) transitive  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq C \Rightarrow A \subseteq C$

(c) antisymmetric  $A \subseteq B \wedge B \subseteq A \Rightarrow A = B$

(2) Denote  $\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$  as  $A$

$\forall i \in I, A_i \subseteq A$ , so  $A \in (A_i)_{i \in I}^u$ .  $\forall B \in (A_i)_{i \in I}^u, \forall i \in I, A_i \subseteq B$ , so  $A \subseteq B, A = \min(A_i)_{i \in I}^u, \sup(A_i)_{i \in I} = A$ . Similarly,  $\inf(A_i)_{i \in I} = \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$

12. The following is about induction, we skip it.

22. (1) (a) reflexive:  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n|n$

(b) transitive: If  $a|b, b|c$ , where  $(a, b, c) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ , then  $\exists(m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2$  such that  $b = am, c = nb$ , so  $c = (nm)a$ , which leads to  $a|c$ .

(c) antisymmetric: Let  $a = mb, b = na, (m, n) \in \mathbb{N}^2$

Then  $1 = mn, m = n = 1$ . Hence  $a = b$

Therefore  $(\mathbb{N}, |)$  is a partially ordered set.

- (2) Obvious.
- (3)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, 1|n. 1$  is the least element.
- (4)  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, n|0. 0$  is the greatest element.
- (5) If there exists a  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \neq 0$ , such that  $\forall a \in A, a|n$ , then  $a \leq n$ . That contradicts to  $A$  is infinite. Thus  $n$  can only be  $0$ .  $\sup_{(\mathbb{N}, |)} A = 0$
- (6) (a)  $\forall a \in A, a|n$ , where,  $n = \prod_{x \in A} x$ , so  $n \in M(A)$ .
- (b) Suppose  $\exists n \in M(A), n_0 \nmid n$  we can write  $n = dn_0 + r$ , where  $d, r \in \mathbb{N}, 0 < r < n_0$ . Claim  $r \in M(A)$ : Take  $x \in A$ , since  $n, n_0 \in M(A), \exists s, s_0 \in \mathbb{N}, xs = n, xs_0 = n_0$ , then  $xs = dxs_0 + r, x|r$ , so  $r \in M(A)$ . That contradicts to the fact that  $n_0$  is the least number in  $M(A)$ .
- (c)  $\sup A = n_0$
- (7) (a) Let  $x = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i n_i, y = \sum_{j=1}^t b_j m_j, \sum_{i=1}^k a_i n_i + \sum_{j=1}^t b_j m_j \in A\mathbb{Z}$ .
- (b)  $\sum_{i=1}^k a_i (y n_i) \in A\mathbb{Z}$
- (c)  $\forall a \in A$ , let  $k = 1, a_1 = a, n_1 = 1$ , we have  $a \in A\mathbb{Z}$ .  $A \cap (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}) \neq \emptyset$ , hence,  $(A\mathbb{Z}) \cap (\mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (d)  $\{d\} \subseteq A\mathbb{Z}$ . By (b), we have  $d\mathbb{Z} \subseteq A\mathbb{Z}$ . If  $A\mathbb{Z} \not\subseteq d\mathbb{Z}$ , then  $\exists x = \sum a_i x_i \notin d\mathbb{Z}$ , i.e.  $d \nmid x$ . Write  $x = dm + r$ , where  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}, 0 < r < d. r = x - dm = \sum a_i x_i + (-m)d \in A\mathbb{Z}$ . But that's impossible. Hence  $A\mathbb{Z} \subseteq d\mathbb{Z}, A\mathbb{Z} = d\mathbb{Z}$ .
- (e) By (d),  $A\mathbb{Z} = d\mathbb{Z}$ , by (c),  $A \subseteq A\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow A \subseteq d\mathbb{Z}$ , i.e.  $d|a, \forall a \in A \Rightarrow d$  is a lower bound of  $A$ . Take another lower bound  $d'$  of  $A. d'|a, \forall a \in A \Rightarrow d|y, \forall y \in A\mathbb{Z} = d\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow d'|d \Rightarrow d$  is the greatest lower bound of  $A$ . i.e.  $\inf A = d$ .
- (8) If  $A$  is empty, it is easy to check  $\gcd(A) = 0, \text{lcm}(A) = 1$ . Assume  $A \neq \emptyset$ . If  $A = \{0\}$ , then easy to check  $\gcd(A) = \text{lcm}(A) = 0$ . Set  $A' = \{a \in A | a \neq 0\} \subseteq A, A' \neq \emptyset$ . By (7)-(e),  $A'$  has infimum  $d$ .  $d$  is also the infimum of  $A$ . By (5), (6)-(c),  $A'$  has a supremum  $D$ .  $d$  is also the supremum of  $A$ .
- (9)  $A = \{a, b\}$ , by (7)-(d)(e),  $A\mathbb{Z} = d\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow d \in A\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \exists m, n$  such that  $d = ma + nb$  (Bézout Lemma)
- (10)  $\frac{ab}{\gcd(a,b)} = a \frac{b}{\gcd(a,b)} = b \frac{a}{\gcd(a,b)} \Rightarrow \frac{ab}{\gcd(a,b)}$  is an upper bound of  $A = \{a, b\}$  under  $(\mathbb{N}, |)$ . Since  $\text{lcm}(a, b)$  is the least upper bound of  $A$ ,  $\gcd(a, b) | \frac{ab}{\gcd(a,b)}$

$$a = \frac{ab}{\text{lcm}(a, b)} \frac{\text{lcm}(a, b)}{b}, b = \dots$$

$\frac{ab}{\text{lcm}(a,b)}$  is a lower bound of  $A = \{a, \}$  under  $(\mathbb{N}, |)$ , gcd is the greatest  
 $\dots$   
 $\frac{ab}{\text{lcm}(a,b)} \mid \text{gcd}(a, b), ab = \text{gcd}(a, b)\text{lcm}(a, b).$

23. (1) Obvious.

(2)  $\forall x \in \emptyset, P(x)$  is true. There is no non-empty set can be the subset of  $\emptyset, (\emptyset, \subseteq)$  is true.

(3)  $(\alpha, \subseteq)$  is a well-ordered set since it is a subset of  $(\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}, \subseteq)$ .  $\forall x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ , if  $x = \alpha, x \subseteq (\alpha \cup \{\alpha\})$ ; if  $x \in \alpha, x \subseteq \alpha \subseteq (\alpha \cup \{\alpha\})$ . So  $\alpha$  is ordinal.

(4)  $\forall x \in \alpha, x \subseteq \alpha, \forall A \subseteq \alpha, \min(A) \in \alpha \subseteq (\alpha \cup \{\alpha\})$ , so  $(\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}, \subseteq)$  is well ordered.  $\forall x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ , if  $x = \alpha, \alpha \subseteq \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ ; If  $x \in \alpha$ , since  $\alpha$  is ordinal,  $x \subseteq \alpha \subseteq \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ . Thus  $\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$  is an ordinal.

Obviously,

$$\alpha \subseteq \bigcup_{x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}} x$$

Conversely,  $\forall y \in x, x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ , if  $x = \alpha$ , then  $y \in \alpha$ . If  $x \in \alpha$ , since  $\alpha$  is ordinal,  $y \in x \subseteq \alpha, y \in \alpha$ . Hence,

$$\alpha \supseteq \bigcup_{x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}} x$$

Therefore,

$$\alpha = \bigcup_{x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}} x$$

(5)

$$\alpha = \bigcup_{x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}} x = \bigcup_{x \in \beta \cup \{\beta\}} x = \beta$$

(6) If  $x = \alpha \vee y = \alpha$ , easy. If  $x, y \in \alpha$ , since  $(\alpha, \subseteq)$  is well ordered, consider  $\{x, y\} \subseteq \alpha, x \subseteq y \vee y \subseteq x$ .

(7)  $\forall x \in \alpha, x \subseteq \alpha$ , since  $(\alpha, \subseteq)$  is well ordered,  $(x, \subseteq)$  is well ordered.  $\forall y \in x, z \in x$ , by transitive  $z \in x, y \subseteq x$ . Therefore, all elements of  $\alpha$  are ordinals.

(8) Take  $x \in \beta$ , denote  $X := \{y \in \alpha \mid y \subseteq x\}$ . Take  $y \in X$ , since  $y \subseteq x \subseteq \beta$ , by transitivity,  $y \subseteq \beta$ . If  $y = \beta, \beta \in x \wedge x \in \beta$ , contradicts to axiom of foundation. So  $y \in \beta, X \subseteq \beta$ .

(9) If  $\beta \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$  and  $\beta \neq \alpha, \beta \subseteq \alpha$ . By (8),  $\beta$  is an initial segment of  $\alpha$ . If  $\beta$  is an initial segment of  $\alpha$

24. (1)  $\Rightarrow$ : Let  $\alpha = A \cup \{A\}$  for an ordinal  $A$ . By (4) of 23.

$$A = \bigcup_{x \in A \cup \{A\}} x = \bigcup_{x \in \alpha} x \subseteq \alpha$$

$\Leftarrow$ : Let  $U = \bigcup_{x \in \alpha} x$ , claim that  $\alpha = U \cup \{U\}$  (to be continue to check)

(2) -

(3) N.T.S.  $\forall x \in \emptyset \cup \{\emptyset\}, x$  is not a limit ordinal.  $\Rightarrow x = \emptyset$ , which is not a limit ordinal by definition.

(4)  $\alpha = n$  is a natural number  $\Leftrightarrow \forall x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}, x$  is not limit. N.T.S.  $\alpha + 1$  is not  $\mathbb{N}$ , i.e.  $\forall x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\} \cup \{\alpha \cup \{\alpha\}\}, x$  is not limit. Whether  $x \in \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$  or  $x = \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$ , it's right.

(5) -

(6)  $\alpha = n$  natural number.  $\forall x \in \alpha + 1, x$  is not limit. N.T.S.  $\forall y \in \alpha, \forall z \in y + 1, z$  is not limit.  $z \in y + 1 \not\subseteq \alpha + 1 \Rightarrow z \in \alpha + 1 \Rightarrow z$  is not a limit ordinal.

(7) -

(8) -

(9)  $f$  increasing  $\Leftrightarrow \forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{N}, f(x_1) \leq f(x_2)$ . Prove by induction. Claim  $f(0) = 0$ . Pf.: If not, then  $f(0) \neq 0 \Rightarrow f(0) \geq 1$ . By increasing,  $\forall n > 0, f(n) \geq f(0) \geq 1$ .  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, f(n) \neq 0, f$  is not surjective. Claim: If  $f(n) = n, \forall n \geq m$ , then  $f(m+1) = m+1$ . Pf.  $f(m+1) \geq f(m) = m$ . If  $f(m+a) = m = f(m) \Rightarrow f$  is not injective. If  $f(m+1) > m+1$ , then  $\forall i > m+1, f(i) \geq f(m+1) > m+1$ .

## 5 Group

1. It is communicative and associative.

2. It's communicative, but not associative.

3. (1)  $1 + 3(x * y) = 1 + 3x + 3y + 9xy = (1 + 3x)(1 + 3y)$

(2) Easy to prove it's communicative.  $(x * y) * z = x + y + z + 3xy + 3yz + 3zx + 9xyz$ ,  $x, y, z$  are in the same position. Then it's associative.

(3)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, (x * 0) = (0 * x) = x$ , so  $e = 0$  is the neutral element in the semigroup.

(4)  $\forall x \neq -\frac{1}{3}, y = -\frac{x}{1+3x}$  satisfies  $(x * y) = 0 = e$ .

4. (1) Easy.  $e = 0$ .

- (2)  $\forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^2, \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} > 0 = e$ . So none of the non-zero element is invertible.
5. (1) Easy to check it is close.  
 (2) Composition of mapping is associative, so it's a semigroup.  
 (3)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, f_1 \circ f_i = f_i = f_i \circ f_1$ . So it is a monoid.  
 (4)  $\forall i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, f_i \circ f_i = f_1$ . So it is a group.
6. (1)  $e = (1, 0), (\frac{1}{a}, -\frac{x}{a})$  is the inverse of  $(a, x)$ .  
 (2) Not communicative.  
 (3) Easy.
7. (1) Not close.  
 (2) Not close.  
 (3)  $e = 1$  is the neutral element.  $\forall (x, y) \in H^2$ , let  $x = \frac{q}{p}, y = \frac{t}{s}, \iota(y) = \frac{s}{t}$ , then  $x \cdot \iota(y) = \frac{qs}{pt} \in H$ . So  $(H, \cdot)$  is a group.  
 (4)  $\forall \sigma \in H, \sigma(x) = x \Rightarrow x = \sigma^{-1}(\sigma(x)) = \sigma^{-1}(x)$ , so  $\sigma^{-1} \in H$ . Since we've known  $H$  is monoid,  $H$  is a group.
8. We denote  $G := \{a + b\sqrt{2} \mid (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}$ . Take two elements  $x = a + b\sqrt{2}, y = c + d\sqrt{2}$  from  $G$ ,  $x \cdot y = (ac + 2bd) + (ad + bc)\sqrt{2} \in G$ . The neutral element  $e = 1$  also in  $G$ , so it is a submonoid of  $(\mathbb{R}, \cdot)$ .
9.  $\forall z \in \mu_n(\mathbb{C}), \iota(z) = z^{-1}$ .  $\forall (z_1, z_2) \in \mu_n(\mathbb{C})^2, (z_1 z_2^{-1})^n = z_1^n (z_2^n)^{-1} = 1$ , thus  $z_1 \iota(z_2) \in \mu_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Therefore  $\mu_n(\mathbb{C})$  is a subgroup of  $(\mathbb{C}^\times, \cdot)$ .
10. (1) Neutral element  $e = 1$  is in  $G := \{x + y\sqrt{3} \mid x \in \mathbb{N}, y \in \mathbb{Z}, x^2 - 3y^2 = 1\}$ . If  $x + y\sqrt{3}$  is an element of  $G$ , then  $(x + y\sqrt{3})(x - y\sqrt{3}) = 1$ , since  $x \geq 0, x + y\sqrt{3}$  and  $x - y\sqrt{3}$  can not both be negative. Then they are both positive, so they are both in  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . Moreover, They are inverse of each other.  $(x + y\sqrt{3})(z - w\sqrt{3}) = xz - 3yw + (zy - xw)\sqrt{3}, x > \sqrt{3}y, z > \sqrt{3}w \Rightarrow xz - 3yw > 0$ . So  $xz - 3yw \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $(x + y\sqrt{3})(z - w\sqrt{3}) \in G$ . Therefore, it is a subgroup of  $(\mathbb{R}_{>0}, \times)$ .  
 (2) Easy.  
 (3)  $\frac{97}{56} - \sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{(97+56\sqrt{3})56}$ .
11. (1)  $\forall (n, m) \in \mathbb{Z}^2, (-1)^n (-1)^m = (-1)^{n+m}$ .  
 (2) Easy.  
 (3) Easy.

12. (1) Easy to check  $e \in \text{Stab}(x)$ .  $\forall g \in \text{Stab}(x), x = (g^{-1}g)x = g^{-1}(gx) = g^{-1}x$ . So  $g^{-1} \in \text{Stab}(x)$ . Moreover,  $\forall (g_1, g_2) \in \text{Stab}(x)^2, g_1g_2^{-1}x = g_1x = x$ , so  $g_1g_2^{-1} \in \text{Stab}(x)$ . Therefore,  $\text{Stab}(x)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
- (2) Claim that: if  $\exists g \in G, g \in g_1\text{Stab}(x) \wedge g \in g_2\text{Stab}(x)$ , then  $g_1\text{Stab}(x) = g_2\text{Stab}(x)$ . Let  $g = g_1s_1 = g_2s_2$ , then  $g_2 = g_1s_1\iota(s_2)$ . Thus, for any  $s \in \text{Stab}(x), g_2s = g_1s_1\iota(s_2)s \in g_1\text{Stab}(x)$ . So  $g_2\text{Stab}(x) \subseteq g_1\text{Stab}(x)$ . resp. we have  $g_2\text{Stab}(x) \supseteq g_1\text{Stab}(x)$ . Hence  $g_2\text{Stab}(x) = g_1\text{Stab}(x)$ . If  $g_1s_1 = g_2s_2, g_1x = g_1s_1x = g_2s_2x = g_2x$ . Therefore, they map at the same  $gx$ .
- (3) By definition,  $\forall g \in G, |\text{Stab}(x)| = |g\text{Stab}(x)|$ . (Lagrange Theorem)
13. (1) 1.
- (2) By definition,  $n \in N(a)$ . Hence,  $\min(N(a)) \leq n$ .
- (3) Let  $p, q \leq \text{ord}(a), 0 \leq p < q$ . Suppose that  $a^p = a^q$ , then  $e = a^{q-p}, (q-p) \in N(a), q-p < \text{ord}(N(a))$ , contradiction. Thus they are distinct.
- (4) Let  $f : (\mathbb{Z}, +) \rightarrow (G, *)$  be the homomorphism,  $f(1) = a$ , then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, a * f(n) = f(n+1)$ .
- (a) Suppose  $\langle a \rangle$  is finite. If  $\forall n, m \in \mathbb{Z}, f(n) \neq f(m)$ , then the image is not finite, contradiction. Take  $f(n) = f(m), n < m$ , then  $a^{m-n} = 1$ . Thus  $\text{ord}(a) \leq m-n$  is finite.
- (b) Suppose  $\text{ord}(a)$  is finite. Then  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, f(n + \text{ord}(a)) = f(n) \in \{f(i) \mid i \in \mathbb{N}, 1 \leq i \leq \text{ord}(a)\}$
- (5) By (4)(b),  $|\langle a \rangle| \leq \text{ord}(a)$ . By (4)(a),  $|\langle a \rangle| \geq \text{ord}(a)$ .
14. (1) By comm. law  $(ab)^N = a^Nb^N = e, ab \leq N$  is finite.
- (2) -
- (3) -
15. (1) We know that the composition of mapping is associative. And easy to check that in this case, the composition is closed.  $e = \text{Id}_E, f \circ f^{-1} = \text{Id}_E$ . Hence  $\mathcal{S}_E$  equipped with composition of mapping forms a group.
- (2)  $\sigma^0(x) = x$ .  $\phi_\sigma(n+m, x) = \sigma^{(n+m)}(x) = \sigma^n \circ \sigma^m(x) = \phi_\sigma(n, x) \circ \phi_\sigma(m, x)$ . So  $\phi_\sigma$  defines a left action of  $\mathbb{Z}$  on  $E$ .
- (3)  $\forall \sigma^n(x) \in \text{Orb}_\sigma(x), \sigma(\sigma^n(x)) = \sigma \circ \sigma^n(x) = \sigma^{n+1}(x) \in \text{Orb}_\sigma(x)$ . Hence  $\sigma(\text{Orb}_\sigma(x)) \subseteq \text{Orb}_\sigma(x)$ .
- (4) We claim that  $x, y$  both in a same orbit is a equivalence relation. Reflexivity:  $x \in \text{Orb}_\sigma(x) \Leftrightarrow x \in \text{Orb}_\sigma(x)$ . Transitivity:  $x \sim y \Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, \sigma^n(x) = y, y \sim z \Rightarrow \exists m \in \mathbb{Z}, \sigma^m(y) = z$ . Thus  $\sigma^{n+m}(x) =$

$z, x \sim z$ . Symmetry:  $x \sim y \Rightarrow \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}, \sigma^n(x) = y, \sigma^{-n}(y) = x$ . Hence  $y \sim x$ . Therefore, if  $x \in O_i$ , then  $x \notin O_j, i \neq j$ . So  $\sigma_i(x) = \sigma(x), \sigma_j(x) = x, i \neq j$ .  $\forall x \in E, \sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n(x) = \sigma(x)$ , hence  $\sigma = \sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n$ .

16. (1) By definition.

(2) Let  $n$  be the largest cardinal of its orbits and  $O$  be the orbit that has more than one element. Then for any element  $x$  in any other orbit,  $\sigma(x) = x$ . Moreover,  $\forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \sigma^m(x) = x$ . While  $n$  is the order of  $\sigma$  on  $O$ , for any  $x \in E, \sigma^n(x) = x$ ,  $n$  is the order of  $\sigma$ . This relation is NOT hold generally. If there exists two orbits  $O_1, O_2$ , their cardinal are  $n, m$  and  $m > n > 1, \gcd(n, m) = 1$ , then for the element  $x \in O_1, \sigma^m(x) \neq x$ . So  $m$  is not the order of  $\sigma$ .

(3) For any  $y \notin \text{Orb}(x), \sigma(y) = y = \tau_{x_i, x_{i+1}}, i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$ .

$$\tau_{x_i, x_{i+1}}(\tau_{x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}}(\dots(x_i))) = \tau_{x_i, x_{i+1}}(x_i) = x_{i+1},$$

$$\tau_{x_1, x_2}(\dots(\tau_{x_{i-1}, x_i}(x_{i+1}))) = x_{i+1}.$$

Hence,  $\forall i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}, \sigma(x_i) = \tau_{x_1, x_2} \dots \tau_{x_{p-2}, x_{p-1}}(x_i)$ . Therefore,

$$\sigma = \tau_{x_1, x_2} \dots \tau_{x_{p-2}, x_{p-1}}.$$

(4) Take  $O_i$  from  $\langle \sigma \rangle \setminus E$ , let

$$\sigma_i(x) := \begin{cases} \sigma(x) & \text{if } x \in O_i \\ x & \text{if } x \notin O_i \end{cases}.$$

Similarly to (3), we can get  $\sigma = \sigma_1 \dots \sigma_n$ , where  $n = \text{Card}[\langle \sigma \rangle \setminus E]$ . Since  $\sigma_i$  is the composition of transpositions, any  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_E$  can be written in the form of composition of transpositions.

17. Let  $E = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}, \forall \sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_E$ ,

$$\prod_{i \neq j \in E} [\sigma(i) - \sigma(j)] = \prod_{i \neq j \in E} (i - j)$$

$$\prod_{i \neq j \in E} (i - j)[(\sigma \circ \pi)(i) - (\sigma \circ \pi)(j)] = \prod_{i \neq j \in E} [\sigma(i) - \sigma(j)][\pi(i) - \pi(j)]$$

$$\prod_{i < j \in E} (i - j)[(\sigma \circ \pi)(i) - (\sigma \circ \pi)(j)] = \prod_{i < j \in E} [\sigma(i) - \sigma(j)][\pi(i) - \pi(j)]$$

$$\prod_{i < j \in E} \frac{[(\sigma \circ \pi)(i) - (\sigma \circ \pi)(j)]}{i - j} = \prod_{i < j \in E} \frac{\sigma(i) - \sigma(j)}{i - j} \prod_{i < j \in E} \frac{\pi(i) - \pi(j)}{i - j}$$

Hence,  $\text{sgn}$  is a homomorphism.



18. By 16.  $\forall \sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_E$ , it can be represented by the composition of transpositions  $\tau_i$ , where,

$$\tau_i : E \longrightarrow E,$$

$$\tau_i(x) = \begin{cases} x & , \quad x \in E \setminus \{i, \text{mod}(i, n) + 1\} \\ \text{mod}(x, n) + 1 & , \quad x = i \\ \text{mod}(x - 2, n) + 1 & , \quad x = \text{mod}(i, n) + 1 \end{cases}$$

Easy to check that  $\tau_i \circ \tau_i = \text{Id}_E$ . So  $\forall f$  be a homomorphism,  $f(\tau_i)f(\tau_i) = 1$ ,  $f(\tau_i) = \pm 1$ . Then  $\forall \sigma \in \mathfrak{S}_E$ ,  $f(\sigma) = \pm 1$ .

**Remark.**  $f = -1$  corresponds to the sgn in 17.

## 6 Rings and Modules

1. (1) First, we check that it is a monoid.  
One has it is closed. For any  $(x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $(x_1, x_2) * (1, 0) = (x_1, x_2)$ .  
So  $(1, 0)$  is the neutral element.
- (2) Second, check that it is commutative.  
For any  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $(x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2) = (x_1 y_1 + r x_2 y_2, x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1) = (y_1 x_1 + r y_2 x_2, y_1 x_2 + y_2 x_1) = (y_1, y_2) * (x_1, x_2)$ .
- (3) Third, check that it is distributive.  
For any  $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2), (z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ ,  $(x_1, x_2) * ((y_1, y_2) + (z_1, z_2)) = (x_1(y_1 + z_1) + r x_2(y_2 + z_2), x_1(y_2 + z_2) + x_2(y_1 + z_1)) = (x_1, x_2) * (y_1, y_2) + (x_1, x_2) * (z_1, z_2)$ .
2. (1) Associativity is NOT valid in general.
- (2) Just verify.
3. Let  $e_i = (0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)$
4. 5. Let

$$f : \mathbb{Q} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}$$

be a automorphism. Then

$$f(1) = 1.$$

For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$f(n) = f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n 1\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(1) = n f(1) = n.$$

$$0 = f(0) = f(n + (-n)) = f(n) + f(-n) = n + f(-n).$$

So,  $f(-n) = -n$ . Let  $(n, m) \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$f(n) = f(m)f\left(\frac{n}{m}\right),$$

$$f\left(\frac{n}{m}\right) = \frac{n}{m}.$$

Therefore, for any  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $f(x) = x$ , which means

$$f = \text{Id}_{\mathbb{Q}}.$$

5. 10.

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right) \dagger \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n\right) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (a_n + b_n) T^n \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (b_n + a_n) T^n = \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n\right) \dagger \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right). \end{aligned}$$

So  $\dagger$  is a commutative composition law.

For any  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \in k[[T]]$ ,

$$\left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right) \dagger \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n = \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right).$$

So  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n$  is the neutral element of  $k[[T]]$ .

For any  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \in k[[T]]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right) \dagger \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} -a_n T^n\right) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n, \\ \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} -a_n T^n\right) \dagger \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $k[[T]]$  equipped with  $\dagger$  forms a commutative group.

(2) Note that, for any  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \in k[[T]]$ ,

$$\left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n\right) * \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 1 T^n = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left(\sum_{i=0}^n a_i 1 T^n\right) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n.$$

Hence  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} e T^n$  is the neutral element of  $k[[T]]$ . One has

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} = \sum_{t=n}^0 a_{n-t} b_t = \sum_{t=0}^n b_t a_{n-t}.$$

Thus,  $*$  is commutative. Therefore, what given is a commutative monoid.

(3)

$$a_i = a\delta_{i,n}, b_i = b\delta_{i,m}.$$

$$(aT^n)(bT^m) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{i=0}^k ab\delta_{i,n}\delta_{k-i,m}T^k = abT^{n+m}.$$

(4) We only need to check it's distributive.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \right) * \left[ \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n \right) \dagger \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} c_n T^n \right) \right] \\ &= \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n a_i (b_{n-i} + c_{n-i}) \right) T^n \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left( \sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} T^n + \sum_{i=0}^n a_i c_{n-i} T^n \right) \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} T^n \right) \dagger \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{i=0}^n a_i c_{n-i} T^n \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \right) * \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n \right) \dagger \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \right) * \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} c_n T^n \right). \end{aligned}$$

(5) (a) Suppose  $f$  is invertible, and  $g = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n$  be its inverse, then by (2),  $(b_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfies:

$$\sum_{i=0}^n a_i b_{n-i} = 1, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Take  $n = 0$ , we obtain  $a_0$  must be invertible.

(b) Suppose  $a_0$  is invertible. For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let

$$b_{n+1} = \left( 1 - \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (a_i b_{n+1-i}) \right) a_0^{-1},$$

then,

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} (a_i b_{n+1-i}) = 1.$$

Hence  $g = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n$  is the inverse of  $f$ .

(6) Follow the algorithm in (5), we can easily get the result.

$$(1 - aT)^{-1} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a^n T^n.$$

(7) -

(8)  $k$  is commutative. We claim that  $D$  is a homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned}
D(f_1) \dagger D(f_2) &= \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (n+1) a_{1,(n+1)} T^n \right) \dagger \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (n+1) a_{2,(n+1)} T^n \right) \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (n+1) (a_{1,(n+1)} + a_{2,(n+1)}) T^n \\
&= D(f'_1 \dagger f'_2).
\end{aligned}$$

$$D \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n \right) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (n+1) 0 T^n = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} 0 T^n.$$

Then we prove it is surjective. For any  $f' = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n T^n$ , let  $a_n = b_{n-1}(n-1)^{-1}$ ,  $n \neq 0$ ,  $D[\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n] = f'$ . Therefore  $D$  is a surjective  $k$ -linear mapping.

(9) Let  $f = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n T^n \in \ker(D)$ , then for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_{n+1} = 0$ . Thus,

$$\ker(D) = k.$$

(10)

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{n+1} &= a_n (n+1)^{-1}. \\
a_n &= a_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (i+1)^{-1}. \\
f &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_0 \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (i+1)^{-1} T^n, \quad \forall a_0 \in k.
\end{aligned}$$

6. 15.

(1) (a) (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Let  $\bar{b}$  be the inverse of  $\bar{a}$ . If  $\bar{a}\bar{c} = 0$ , then

$$0 = \bar{b}0 = \bar{b}(\bar{a}\bar{c}) = (\bar{b}\bar{a})\bar{c} = \bar{c}.$$

Hence  $\bar{a}$  is not a zero divisor.

(b) (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii): We prove by contradiction. Assume  $\gcd(a, n) = k$ ,  $1 < k < n$ . Then

$$\bar{a} \frac{\bar{n}}{k} = 0.$$

That is contradicts to the fact that  $\bar{a}$  is not a zero divisor.

(c) (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i):

- (2) By (1) (i) $\Rightarrow$  (iii),  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times \subseteq \{k \mid k \in [0, n-1], \gcd(k, n) = 1\}$ .  
 By (1) (iii) $\Rightarrow$  (i),  $\{k \mid k \in [0, n-1], \gcd(n, k) = 1\} \subseteq (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ .  
 Hence  $\{k \mid k \in [0, n-1], \gcd(n, k) = 1\} = (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ .

$$\phi(n) = \#\{k \mid k \in [0, n-1], \gcd(n, k) = 1\}.$$

- (3) Suppose  $\bar{\alpha}$  is invertible and let  $\bar{\beta}$  be its inverse. Then,

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \bar{k} = k\bar{\beta}\bar{\alpha} = (k\bar{\beta})\bar{\alpha}.$$

So  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{k\bar{\alpha}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ .

Conversely, if  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{k\bar{\alpha}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ , then there exists  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\bar{k}\bar{\alpha} = 1$ , which means  $\bar{k}$  is  $\bar{\alpha}$ 's inverse. Thus,  $\bar{\alpha}$  is invertible.

- (4) -  
 (5)  $\{x \mid x = a^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  forms a subgroup of  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ . By Lagrange theorem, its order is a divisor of  $n$ . So  $\bar{a}^{\phi(n)} = 1, a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ .  
 (6) There are  $\frac{n}{p_i}$  elements in  $\{k \in \mathbb{N}^* \mid k \leq n\}$  satisfies  $\gcd(k, p_i) = p_i \neq 1$ . So, there are  $n(1 - \frac{1}{p_i})$  elements in  $\{k \in \mathbb{N}^* \mid k \leq n\}$  satisfies  $\gcd(k, p_i) = 1$ . By (4),

$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{i=1}^k (1 - \frac{1}{p_i}).$$

- (7) By definition of prime number, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*, n < p, \gcd(n, p) = 1$ , so  $\phi(p) = p - 1$ . By (1), any element in  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  except 0 is invertible. For any  $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, \bar{a}\bar{b} = \bar{ab} = \bar{ba} = \bar{b}\bar{a}$ . So  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  is commutative. Therefore  $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  is a field.