

Groups and Rings - SF2729

Homework 7

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Exercise 1. How many p -Sylow subgroups the group A_5 has for $p = 3, 5, 7$

Solution.

Theorem 0.1 (Third Sylow Teorem). p prime $\wedge p \mid |G| \Rightarrow \#\{\text{Sylow } p\text{-subgroups}\} \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \wedge \#\{\text{Sylow } p\text{-subgroups}\} \mid |G|$

$$S = \{a : a \mid |A_5| = 5!/2\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30, 60\}$$

1 $p = 3$

$$\{a \in S : a \equiv 1 \pmod{3}\} = \{1, 4, 10\}$$

Subgroups generate by cycles of order 3 in A_5 is Sylow 3-subgroups.

$$\langle(123)\rangle, \langle(124)\rangle, \langle(125)\rangle, \langle(134)\rangle, \langle(135)\rangle, \dots$$

Which is more then 4 distinct Sylowgroups which results in:

$$\underline{\#\{\text{Sylow } 3\text{-subgroups}\} = 10}$$

2 $p = 5$

$$\{a \in S : a \equiv 1 \pmod{5}\} = \{1, 6\}$$

Subgroups generate by cycles of order 5 in A_5 is Sylow 5-subgroups.

$$\langle(12345)\rangle, \langle(12354)\rangle, \dots$$

Which is more then 1 distinct Sylowgroups which results in:

$$\underline{\#\{\text{Sylow } 5\text{-subgroups}\} = 6}$$

3 $p = 7$

$$\{a \in S : a \equiv 1 \pmod{7}\} = \{1, 15\}$$

To fulfill Third Sylow Theorem and Lagranges Theorem we must have a subgroup with $7^0 = 1$ elements which is $\{e\}$

And thus:

$$\underline{\#\{\text{Sylow 7-subgroups}\} = 1}$$