

Computer Science & IT

Discrete Mathematics



Set Theory & Algebra

Lecture No. 21



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Recap of Previous Lecture



Topic

Example of groups w.r.t. \oplus_m & \otimes_m



Topic

Order of an element of the group $(G, *)$

↳ least positive integer 'n' s.t. $a^n = e$ (identity)

- $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)\}$ is a group w.r.t. \oplus_n $\underbrace{a \times a \dots \times a}_{n \text{ times 'a'}}$
- Set of all natural nos less than 'n' & coprime to 'n' form a group w.r.t. \otimes_n
- $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, (p-1)\}$ form a group w.r.t. \otimes_p ,
Where 'p' is a prime no.



Topics to be Covered



Topic

Subgroup



Topic

Cyclic group





Topic : Subgroup

- * Let $(G, *)$ is a group, a subset H of set G is called a sub-group of group $(G, *)$ if and only if $(H, *)$ is a group.
- Let $(G, *)$ be a group and 'e' is the identity element w.r.t. binary op '*' then $(G, *)$ and $(\{e\}, *)$ are called trivial sub-group of group $(G, *)$ and any other sub-group of group $(G, *)$ will be called Proper sub group of group $(G, *)$

* let $(G, *)$ is a finite group of order $= |G|$

then $(G, *)$ is a sub-group of group $(G, *)$ and its order is $|G|$

4 $(\{e\}, *)$ is a subgroup of group $(G, *)$ and its order is '1'.

* We know $\{1, -1, i, -i\}$ is a group of order = 4
w.r.t. multiplication

• $\{1\}$ will be a trivial subgroup of order = 1,

$\{1, -1, i, -i\}$ will be a trivial sub-group of order = 4

$\{1, -1\}$ is a proper subgroup of above group,
and its order is '2'.

$\{1, i\}$ is a sub-set of set
 $\{1, -1, i, -i\}$, but it is not
a subgroup of given group.

because $\{1, i\}$ is not a group w.r.t. binary opⁿ multiplication

→ $\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ is a group of order = 4, w.r.t. \otimes_8 ✓

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{1\} \text{ w.r.t } \otimes_8 \text{ is a group,} \\ \{1, 3, 5, 7\} \text{ w.r.t } \otimes_8 \text{ is a group.} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \{1\} \text{ \& } \{1, 3, 5, 7\} \text{ are} \\ \text{trivial sub groups of} \\ \text{above group.} \end{array}$

* $\{1, 3\}$, $\{1, 5\}$ & $\{1, 7\}$ are proper sub-groups of above group



Topic : Properties w.r.t. Subgroup

①

Let $(G, *)$ be a group, and H is a non-empty subset of G .
then

$(H, *)$ is a sub-group of group $(G, *)$
if and only if,

$$a * b^{-1} \in H, \quad \forall a, b \in H$$

↳ i.e. H is ① Closed

② identity exist

③ Inverse exist for every element



Topic : Properties w.r.t. Subgroup

② Let $(G, *)$ be a finite group of order $= |G|$,
and $(H, *)$ is a sub-group of group $(G, *)$ and
order of sub-group $(H, *)$ is $|H|$,

Lagrange's
theorem

then $|H|$ divides $|G|$.

i.e., order of sub-group divides the order of
original group



Topic : Properties w.r.t. Subgroup

③ Let $(G, *)$ be a group, and $(H_1, *)$ & $(H_2, *)$ are any two sub-groups of group $(G, *)$
then $(H_1 \cap H_2, *)$ is also a sub-group of group $(G, *)$

* Let $a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2$,

$$\therefore a, b \in H_1$$

and

$$a, b \in H_2$$

\downarrow
We know $(H_1, *)$ is
a group

\downarrow
We know H_2 is also
a group

$$\therefore a * b^{-1} \in H_1$$

$$\therefore a * b^{-1} \in H_2$$

$$\therefore \underline{a * b^{-1} \in H_1 \cap H_2}$$

i.e. if $a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2$ then $a * b^{-1} \in H_1 \cap H_2$

$\therefore (H_1 \cap H_2, *)$ is also a group. \therefore it is also a subgroup of $(G, *)$



Topic : Properties w.r.t. Subgroup

- ④ Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $(H_1, *)$ & $(H_2, *)$ are any two sub-groups of $(G, *)$, then $(H_1 \cup H_2, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ if and only if
- ① $H_1 \subseteq H_2$ {ie. $H_1 \cup H_2 = H_2$ }
- or ② $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ {ie. $H_1 \cup H_2 = H_1$ }

e.g) We know $\{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 5, \dots\}$ is a group w.r.t. binary opⁿ addition

Let $H_1 = \{0, \pm 2, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \dots\}$ is a subset of above set and it is a group w.r.t. addition, $\therefore (H_1, +)$ is a subgroup of above group

& $H_2 = \{0, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9, \pm 12, \dots\}$ is also a subset of above set, and it is also a group w.r.t. addition, $\therefore (H_2, +)$ is also a subgroup of above group

$$H_1 \cup H_2 = \{0, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6, \pm 8, \pm 9, \dots\}$$

$\downarrow \quad \checkmark$
 $2 + 3 = 5 \notin H_1 \cup H_2$, it is not closed w.r.t. addition

$\therefore H_1 \cup H_2$ is not a group w.r.t. addition
Hence, $(H_1 \cup H_2, +)$ is not a subgroup of given group.

Q:- Let $(G, *)$ be a group of order $= |G|$,
if $|G|$ is a prime number, then find the total number
of subgroups of group $(G, *)$
Order of subgroup of group $(G, *)$ must divide order of group i.e. $|G|$
Let $|G| = p$ (Prime no.)

Because 'p' is a prime number,
∴ order of subgroup can be 1 or p only.

∴ Only two sub-groups are possible, and both of them are trivial

it is w.r.t. trivial sub-group $(\{e\}, *)$

it is w.r.t. trivial sub-group $(G, *)$

Q. Let $(G, *)$ be a group of order = 8;
then How many sub-groups are possible for group $(G, *)$

↓
Can not be answered,
until we know the elements of the group
and binary opⁿ $'*'$!



Topic : Cyclic group

Let $(G, *)$ be a group, If there exist any element $a \in G$,
Such that every element of set G can be written
in the form $(a)^n$ for some positive integer ' n ', then
group $(G, *)$ is called a cyclic group, and element ' a '
is called generator w.r.t. cyclic group $(G, *)$.

$$(a)^n = \underbrace{a * a * a * \dots * a}_{n \text{ times } a}$$

A cyclic group may have
more than one generator

eg. We know $\{1, -1\}$ is a group of order = 2. w.r.t multiplication
 $\rightarrow O(G) = 2$

1 = identity

$$(1)^1 = 1 = \text{identity}$$

$$(1)^2 = 1 = \text{identity}$$

\vdots

$$(e)^1 = e$$

$$(e)^2 = e$$

\vdots

$$(e)^n = e$$

identity element can not generate any other element except itself.

$\left. \begin{array}{l} (-1)^1 = -1 \\ (-1)^2 = 1 = e \end{array} \right\} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{'-1' can generate all elements} \\ \text{of the set for different} \\ \text{powers of '-1' } \end{array} \right] \therefore \{1, -1\} \text{ is a cyclic group} \\ \text{w.r.t. multiplication,} \\ \text{with '-1' as its} \\ \text{generator}$

$$O(-1) = 2 = O(G)$$

eg. We know $\{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ form a group of order = 3, w.r.t. multiplication

• $1 = \text{identity}$ \therefore '1' can not generate any other element except itself

• $(\omega)^1 = \omega$

$(\omega)^2 = \omega^2$

$(\omega)^3 = \omega^3 = 1 = e$

$O(\omega) = 3 = O(G)$

' ω ' can generate all the elements
 $\therefore \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ is a cyclic group &
' ω ' is one of its generator

$(\omega^2)^1 = \omega^2$
 $(\omega^2)^2 = \omega$
 $(\omega^2)^3 = 1 = e$

$O(\omega^2) = 3 = O(G)$

ω^2 can also generate all elements.

$\therefore \omega^2$ is also the generator of cyclic group $\{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ w.r.t. multiplication

$\text{inv}(\omega) = \omega^2$

$\therefore \omega^2$ will also be a generator

eg. We know $\{1, -1, i, -i\}$ is a group of order = 4, wrt multiplication

* $1 = \text{identity}$, \therefore can not generate any other element except itself

$$\begin{aligned} (-1)^1 &= -1 \\ (-1)^2 &= 1 = e \\ (-1)^3 &= -1 \\ (-1)^4 &= 1 = e \\ (-1)^5 &= -1 \\ (-1)^6 &= 1 = e \end{aligned}$$

elements are repeated

Once we have obtained the identity element, if we increase the power then already generated elements will be repeated

$$\begin{aligned} (i)^1 &= i \\ (i)^2 &= -1 \\ (i)^3 &= -i \\ (i)^4 &= 1 = e \end{aligned}$$

$O(i) = 4 = O(-i)$
 $\therefore i$ is a generator

inv(i) = $-i$
 $\therefore -i$ will also be a generator

$$\begin{aligned} (-i)^1 &= -i \\ (-i)^2 &= -1 \\ (-i)^3 &= +i \\ (-i)^4 &= 1 = e \end{aligned}$$

$O(-i) = 4 = O(i)$

all elements $\therefore -i$ is also a generator

$\{1, -1, i, -i\}$ is a cyclic group

\therefore ie, generator needs to generate all other elements of the set before it generates identity element

Q. $\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ w.r.t. \otimes_8 is a group of order = 4 $\hookrightarrow O(G) = 4$

* $1 = \text{identity}$, $\therefore '1'$ can not generate any other element except itself.

* $(3)^1 = 3$
 $(3)^2 = 3 \otimes_8 3 = 1 = e$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{does not generate} \\ \text{all elements of the} \\ \text{group.} \end{array} \right.$

$$O(3) = 2 \neq O(G)$$

* $(5)^1 = 5$
 $(5)^2 = 5 \otimes_8 5 = 1 = e$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{does not generate} \\ \text{all elements of} \\ \text{the group.} \end{array} \right.$

$$O(5) = 2 \neq O(G)$$

$$(7)^1 = 7$$

$$(7)^2 = 7 \otimes_8 7 = 1 = e$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{does not generate} \\ \text{all elements} \end{array} \right.$

$$O(7) = 2 \neq O(G)$$

No element of the group $\{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ w.r.t. \otimes_8 can generate all elements of the group.

\therefore generator of the elements of the group does not exist.

Hence, group is not a cyclic group.



Topic : Cyclic group

- ① Identity element can not be the generator of a set containing any other element except itself.



Topic : Cyclic group

② Let $(G, *)$ be a finite group of order $= |G|$,
if there exist any element $a \in G$, such that
 $O(a) = O(G)$, then $(G, *)$ is a cyclic group
and element 'a' is one of
the generator of cyclic group $(G, *)$



Topic : Cyclic group

③ Let $(G, *)$ be a finite group of order $= |G|$,
if there exist no element $a \in G$, such that
 $O(a) = O(G)$, then $(G, *)$ is not a cyclic group.

i.e

$$O(a) \neq O(G), \forall a \in G$$



Topic : Cyclic group

Q1 Let $(G, *)$ be a finite group of order $= |G|$,
if there exist any element $a \in G$, such that

$O(a) = O(G)$, then $(G, *)$ is a cyclic group
and element 'a' is one of
the generator of cyclic group $(G, *)$

We know $O(a) = O(a^{-1})$

\therefore if $O(a) = O(G)$, then $O(a^{-1}) = O(G)$

Hence if element $a \in G$ is a generator, then a^{-1} is also a generator
of that cyclic group

Q. We know $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ is a group of order = 5 (Prime No.)

w.r.t. binary opⁿ \oplus_5 ,

find all generators of above group

Soluⁿ

Order of group is = 5 = prime no.

\therefore order of elements will divide order of group.

i.e., order of elements will be 1 or 5

for identity element

it can never be the generator containing any other element except itself.

for every other non-identity element

$\therefore O(1) = 5 = O(G) \therefore$ generator
 $O(2) = 5 = O(G) \therefore$ generator
 $O(3) = 5 = O(G) \therefore$ generator
 $O(4) = 5 = O(G) \therefore$ generator



2 mins Summary



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