

1. Solution:

When $G = S_3$, $H = \{e, (1, 2)\}$, $K = \{e, (1, 3)\}$, $HK = \{e, (1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 3, 2)\}$ is not closed under inverse.To be specific, there exists $(1, 3, 2) \in HK$, such that $(1, 3, 2)^{-1} = (1, 2, 3) \notin HK$.Hence, HK is not a subgroup.We may prove " HK is a subgroup of G if and only if $HK = KH$ " in two parts.Part 1: Assume that HK is a subgroup of G .For all $hk \in HK$, as HK is closed under inverse, $(hk)^{-1} = k^{-1}h^{-1} \in HK$.This implies for some $h' \in H$ and $k' \in K$, $k^{-1}h^{-1} = h'k'$, so $hk = (h'k')^{-1} = k'^{-1}h'^{-1} \in KH$.For all $kh \in KH$, $h^{-1}k^{-1} \in HK$. As HK is closed under inverse, $kh = (h^{-1}k^{-1})^{-1} \in HK$. Hence, $HK = KH$.Part 2: Assume that $HK = KH$.First, $e \in H$ and $e \in K$ implies $e = ee \in HK$.Second, for all $h_1, k_1, h_2, k_2 \in HK$, $k_1h_2 \in KH = HK$, so $k_1h_2 = h_3k_3$ for some $h_3 \in H$ and $k_3 \in K$. As H, K are closed under composition, $h_1k_1h_2k_2 = h_1h_3k_3k_2 \in HK$.Third, for all $hk \in HK = KH$, there exist $h' \in H$ and $k' \in K$, such that $hk = k'h'$. As H, K are closed under inverse, $(hk)^{-1} = h'^{-1}k'^{-1} \in HK$.Hence, HK is a subgroup of G .

Combine the two parts above, we've proven the biconditional.

(i) Take $G = \mathbb{Z}_6$, $H = 2\mathbb{Z}_6 = \{0, 2, 4\}$, $K = 3\mathbb{Z}_6 = \{0, 3\}$. Now $H + K = \mathbb{Z}_6 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 = H \times K$.(ii) Take $G = \mathbb{Z}_6$, $H = 2\mathbb{Z}_6 = \{0, 2, 4\}$, $K = \mathbb{Z}_6 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Now $H + K = \mathbb{Z}_6 \not\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 = H \times K$.

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3. Solution:

We may prove " G is a group under matrix multiplication" in four parts.

Part 1: For all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$,

there exists a unique $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1+y_2 & z_1+z_2+x_2y_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1+x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$,
so matrix multiplication is a well-defined operation on G .

Part 2: Matrix Multiplication is associative in general, so it is associative on G .

Part 3: There exists $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$, such that for all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Part 4: For all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$, there exists $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -y & -z+xy \\ 0 & 1 & -x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$, such that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -y & -z+xy \\ 0 & 1 & -x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -y & -z+xy \\ 0 & 1 & -x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence, G is a group under matrix multiplication.

We may prove $Z(G) = [G, G]$ in two parts.

Part 1: For all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z+z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

For all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ commutes with every $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y' & z' \\ 0 & 1 & x' \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ implies

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y+1 & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y+1 & x+z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & y+z \\ 0 & 1 & x+1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x+1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

so $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & z \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ must be $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Hence, $Z(G) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

Part 2: For all $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in G$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_1 & z_1 \\ 0 & 1 & x_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y_2 & z_2 \\ 0 & 1 & x_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -x_1y_2+x_2y_1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

so $[G, G] = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & z \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = Z(G)$



If we define:

$$*: \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ z_1 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 \\ y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + x_2 y_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

then \mathbb{R}^3 forms a group under $*$, and:

$$\phi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \phi\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y & x \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$

is a group isomorphism.

4. Solution: $\phi(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k) \phi^{-1} = (\phi(i_1), \phi(i_2), \dots, \phi(i_k))$

$$(i) C(\alpha) = \{g \in S_4 : g \alpha g^{-1} = \alpha\} = \{g \in S_4 : (g(1), g(3)) = (1, 3)\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(ii) C(\beta) = \{g \in S_4 : g \beta g^{-1} = \beta\} = \{g \in S_4 : g(1, 3) g^{-1} g(2, 4) g^{-1} = (1, 3)(2, 4)\}$$

$$= \{g \in S_4 : (g(1), g(3))(g(2), g(4)) = (1, 3)(2, 4)\} \quad \text{Remark: } \{(g(1), g(3)), (g(2), g(4))\} = \{(1, 3), (2, 4)\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(iii) C(\gamma) = \{g \in S_4 : g \gamma g^{-1} = \gamma\} = \{g \in S_4 : (g(1), g(2), g(3)) = (1, 2, 3)\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(iv) \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \in Z(S_4) \subseteq C(\alpha) \cap C(\beta) \cap C(\gamma) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Hence, } Z(S_4) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$



5. Solution: $\text{Aut}(G)$ is the set of all isomorphism on G

(i) $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_4) \leq S_4$ (Here we are permuting 0, 1, 2, 3)

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_4) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

As $|\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_4)| = |\mathbb{Z}_2| = |\mathbb{Z}_4^\times| = 2$ is prime, $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_4) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}_4^\times$.

(ii) $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_8) \leq S_8$ (Here we are permuting 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_8) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 1 & 4 & 7 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \right. \\ \left. \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 5 & 2 & 7 & 4 & 1 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 0 & 7 & 6 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

As $|\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_8)| = |\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2| = |\mathbb{Z}_8^\times| = 4$, and $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_8), \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_8^\times$ are not cyclic, $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_8) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}_8^\times$.

6. Solution:

(a) Assume that $H \trianglelefteq G$ and $K \leq G$ and $H \subseteq K$, we prove that $H \trianglelefteq K$.

First, $H \subseteq K$:

Second, $H \trianglelefteq G$ implies H is closed under the multiplication in K .

Third, $H \trianglelefteq G$ implies H is closed under the inverse in K .

Fourth, $H \trianglelefteq G$ implies $gH = Hg$ for all $g \in K$.

Hence, $H \trianglelefteq K$.

(b)(c) Consider $G = S_4$. Notice that $K = K_4 \trianglelefteq G = S_4$ (Done in Assignment 2, 5(c)),

and $H = \{e, (1, 2)(3, 4)\} \trianglelefteq K = K_4$ (As $|H| = 2 = \frac{1}{2}|K|$),

but $(1, 3)\{e, (1, 2)(3, 4)\} = \{(1, 3), (1, 2, 3, 4)\} \neq \{(1, 3), (4, 3, 2, 1)\} = \{e, (1, 2)(3, 4)\}(1, 3)$,

so $H = \{e, (1, 2)(3, 4)\} \not\trianglelefteq G = S_4$.

