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* Cyclic Group -

A group $(G, *)$ is said to be a cyclic group if there exists an element $a \in G$ such that every element of G can be written as some power of a i.e. a^k for some integer k where by a^k , $a * a * a \dots a$ (k times).

Then G is said to be generated by a or a generates G .

A cyclic group is always Abelian because commutativity is observed.

\therefore if $a^r, a^s \in G$ then
 $a^r \times a^s = a^s \times a^r$

ex. ① Prove that $(G, *)$ is a cyclic group, where $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$.

\Rightarrow

Composition table -

*	1	ω	ω^2
1	1	ω	ω^2
ω	ω	ω^2	1
ω^2	ω^2	1	ω



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Now we have $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$

we have only 3 elements

now check for any generator element?

$$1^1 = 1$$

$$1^2 = 1 * 1 = 1$$

$$1^3 = 1 * 1 * 1 = 1$$

$$1^4 = 1 * 1 * 1 * 1 = 1$$

element 1 generates

1 only.

so 1 is not gen-

erating all elements

hence

1 is not generator
element

$$\omega^1 = \omega$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega * \omega = \omega^2$$

$$\omega^3 = \omega * \omega * \omega = \omega^2 * \omega = 1$$

search in table.

$$\omega^4 = \omega^3 * \omega = 1 * \omega = \omega$$

element ω generating
all elements in a group

hence

ω is a generator
element.

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

$$(\omega^2)^2 = \omega^2 * \omega^2 = \omega^4 = \omega$$

$$(\omega^2)^3 = \omega^6 = \omega^3 * \omega^3 = 1$$

$$(\omega^2)^4 = \omega^8 = \omega^3 * \omega^3 * \omega^2 =$$

$$= 1 * \omega^2$$

$$= \omega^2$$

ω^2 also generates all elements in a group

so ~~it~~ ω^2 is also a generator.

& hence it is cyclic group.