

## Subgroups

Complex Any non-empty subset of a group  $G$  is called a complex of  $G$ . ①

Ex-1 The set of integers is a complex of a group  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$

②  $\mathbb{I}\mathbb{E}$  is a complex of the group  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$

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(3) To  $\mathcal{U}$  a complex of

multiplication of two complexes:

If  $M$  and  $N$  are any two complexes of a group  $G$   
 then  $MN = \{mn \in G / m \in M, n \in N\}$

Clearly  $MN \subseteq G$  and  $MN$  is called the product of  
 the complexes  $MN$  of  $G$ .

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Let  $m \in M, n \in N, p \in P \Rightarrow m, n, p \in G$ .

we have  $MN = \{mn \in G \mid m \in M, n \in N\}$ .

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$$= M(NP)$$

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Def<sup>n</sup> If  $M$  is a complex in a group  $G$  then  
we define  $M^{-1} = \{ m^{-1} \in G \mid m \in M \}$   
i.e.  $M^{-1}$  is the set of all inverse of the elements  
of  $M$  clearly  $M^{-1} \subseteq G$ .

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Ex-1

$$G = (\mathbb{I}, +)$$

$$H_1 = (2\mathbb{I}, +) \quad \& \quad H_2 = (3\mathbb{I}, +)$$

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$$G = (\mathbb{R} - \{0\}, \cdot)$$

(3)

$$H_1 = (\mathbb{Q} - \{0\}, \cdot), \quad H_2 = (\{1, -1\}, \cdot)$$

$$H_3 = (\{1\}, \cdot), \quad H_4 = (\{2^m / m \in \mathbb{I}\}, \cdot)$$

$$H_5 = (\mathbb{Q}^+, \cdot), \quad H_6 = (\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot) \text{ \& } H_7 = (\{3^m / m \in \mathbb{I}\}, \cdot)$$

$\therefore H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5, H_6$  &  $H_7$  are subgroups of  $G$ .

$$(4) \quad G = (\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, +_6)$$

$$H_1 = (\{0\}, +_6), \quad H_2 = (\{0, 3\}, +_6), \quad H_3 = (\{0, 2, 4\}, +_6)$$

$\therefore H_1, H_2, \& H_3$  are subgroups of  $G$ .

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Note:

① The identity of a subgroup  $H$  is the same as that of the group.

② The inverse of any element of a subgroup is the same as the inverse of that element regarded as an element of the group.

③ The order of every element of a subgroup is the same as the order of element regarded as a member of the group.



Theorem:

If  $H$  is any subgroup of a group  $G$  then

$$H^{-1} = H.$$

Proof: Let  $h^{-1} \in H^{-1}$  by def<sup>n</sup> of  $H^{-1}$ ,  $h \in H$ .  
 Since  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

$$\therefore h^{-1} \in H.$$

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$$\text{Again } h \in H \Rightarrow h^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow (h^{-1})^{-1} \in H^{-1} \quad (\text{by def}^n)$$

$$\therefore h \in H^{-1} \quad \therefore H \subseteq H^{-1} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$H^{-1} = H$$

Proved

Ex:

The converse of the above need not be true.

i.e. if  $H^{-1} = H$ , then  $H$  need not be a subgroup of  $G$ .

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( $\because (-1)(-1) = 1 \notin H$  closure is not true)

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Proof  $\therefore$  Let  $x \in HH$   
 where  $h_1 \in H$  &  $h_2 \in H$   
 let  $x = h_1 h_2$

Since  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .  
 $h_1 h_2 \in H$   
 $\Rightarrow x \in H$

$\Rightarrow HH \subseteq H$  ——— ①

Let  $h_3 \in H$  and  $e$  be the identity element in  $H$ .  
 $h_3 = h_3 e \in HH$

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$\Rightarrow G$  is a group and  $H \subseteq G$ ;  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ ,  
iff (i)  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$   
(ii)  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

Proof:- Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .

$\therefore$  By def<sup>n</sup>  $H$  is a group w.r.t, the  $\circ$  defined in  $G$ .

By closure axiom (i)  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$

By inverse axiom (ii)  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

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 Conversely suppose that  $H \subseteq G$  and

$$(i) a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$$

$$(ii) a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$$

To prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

$$(i) \text{ since } a, b \in H \subseteq G \Rightarrow ab \in H \text{ by (i)}$$

$\therefore H$  is closed

$$(ii) \text{ let } a, b, c \in H \subseteq G \Rightarrow (ab) \cdot c = a(bc) \text{ (by assoc. prop. in } G \text{).}$$

$\therefore H$  is a subsemigroup of  $G$ .  
 (ii) Let  $a, b, c \in H \subseteq G \Rightarrow (ab) \cdot c = a(bc)$  (by assoc. prop. in  $G$ ).  
 $\therefore$  Assoc. prop. in  $H$  is satisfied.

(3)  $\forall a \in H \subseteq G \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H \subseteq G$  (by (ii))  
 $\therefore a \in H, a^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow aa^{-1} \in H \subseteq G$  (by (ii))  
 $\Rightarrow e \in H$  (by inverse axiom of  $G$ )  
 $\therefore \exists e \in H$  such that  $ea = ae = a \forall a \in H$ .  
 (by identity prop. of  $G$ ).  
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Since  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

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$\therefore$  each element of  $H$  possesses inverse in  $H$ .

$\therefore H$  itself is a group for the composition in  $G$ .

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Hence the theorem

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$$(i) a, b \in H \Rightarrow a + b \in H, \quad (ii) a \in H \Rightarrow -a \in H$$

Theorem:  $G$  is a group and  $H$  is a non-empty subset of  $G$  (i.e.  $H \subseteq G$ ).  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$ .

Proof:



Proof: N.C

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .  
then by def<sup>n</sup>  $H$  is a group of  $G$  w.r.t  $b-o$  defined  
in  $G$ .

By inverse axiom  $b \in H \Rightarrow b^{-1} \in H$

By closure axiom  $a \in H, b^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$

S.C Given that  $a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$

we have to prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Existence of Identity:

$a \in H, a \in H \Rightarrow aa^{-1} \in H \subseteq G$  (by hypothesis).

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$\therefore \exists e \in H$  such that  $ae = ea = a \quad \forall a \in H$

$\therefore$  Identity property is satisfied.

$e \in H$ .

## Existence of Inverse

$$a = e \in H; b = a \in H \Rightarrow ea^{-1} \in H \subseteq G \quad (\text{by hypothesis})$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H. \quad (\text{by identity in } G).$$

$$\therefore \exists a^{-1} \in H \text{ such that } aa^{-1} = a^{-1}a = e.$$

$\therefore$  Inverse axiom is satisfied and  $a^{-1}$  is

the inverse of  $a$  in  $H$ .

Closure property

$$a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow a \in H, b^{-1} \in H$$



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Closure property

$$a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow a \in H, b^{-1} \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow a(b^{-1})^{-1} \in H \quad (\text{by hypothesis})$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \in H \quad (\because (b^{-1})^{-1} = b)$$

$\therefore$  closure axiom in  $H$  is satisfied.

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$\therefore$  Associative prop. in  $H$  is satisfied.

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Note: If the operation in  $G$  is  $*$  then condition in the above theorem can be stated as follows:

$$a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b \in H,$$

Corollary: A necessary and sufficient condition for a non-empty subset  $H$  of a group  $G$  to be a subgroup of  $G$  is that  $HH^{-1} \subseteq H$ . (9)

Proof: N.C  
Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .

To P.T  $HH^{-1} \subseteq H$ .

Let  $ab^{-1} \in HH^{-1}$  (by def<sup>n</sup>).

then  $a \in H, b \in H$ .

$H$  is a group.



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Since  $H$  is a group.

$\forall a \in H, b \in H$

$\Rightarrow a \in H, b^{-1} \in H$

$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$  (by closure axiom)

$\therefore HH^{-1} \subseteq H$ .

$S \subseteq H$  Let  $HH^{-1} \subseteq H$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  let  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in HH^{-1}$  (by def<sup>n</sup>)

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Proof: N.C Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .  
 then we have  $HH^{-1} \subseteq H$  ——— ①  
 Let  $e$  be the identity element in  $G$ .  
 $\therefore e \in H$

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Let  $h \in H$ .

Proof! N.C Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ .  
 then we have  $HH^{-1} \subseteq H$  ——— ①  
 Let  $e$  be the identity element in  $G$ .  
 $\therefore e \in H$ .

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Let  $h \in H$ .

$$\therefore h = h e = h e^{-1} \in HH^{-1}$$

$$\therefore H \subseteq HH^{-1} \text{ ——— ②}$$

From ① and ②, we have  $HH^{-1} = H$ .

S.C

Let  $HH^{-1} = H$

$$\therefore H \subseteq HH^{-1} \text{ --- (2)}$$

From (1) and (2), we have  $HH^{-1} = H$ .

S.C

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } HH^{-1} &= H. \\ \Rightarrow HH^{-1} &\subseteq H \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

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If  $H$  &  $K$  are two subgroups of a group  $G$   
then  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $HK = KH$ .

Proof: Let  $H$  &  $K$  be any two subgroups of  $G$ .

1<sup>st</sup> part: Let  $HK = KH$

then we have to prove that  $HK$  is  
a subgroup of  $G$ .

For this we are enough to prove that  
 $(HK)(HK)^{-1} = HK$

Now, we have

$$(HK)(HK)^{-1} = HK(K^{-1}H^{-1})$$

$$= H(KK^{-1})H^{-1} \quad (\because \text{complex multiplication is associative})$$

$$= H(K)H^{-1}$$

$$= (HK)H^{-1}$$

$$= (KH)H^{-1} \quad (\text{by hyp.})$$

$$= K(HH^{-1})$$

$$= KH \quad (\because H \text{ is a subgroup of } G \Rightarrow HH^{-1} = H)$$

$\therefore HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

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Let  $HK$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .

$$\therefore (HK)^{-1} = HK$$

$$\Rightarrow K^{-1}H^{-1} = HK$$

$$\Rightarrow KH = HK$$

( $\because H$  &  $K$  are subgroups,  
 $\therefore H^{-1} = H$  &  $K^{-1} = K$ ).

Theorem: The  
 a. subgroup.

intersection of two subgroups is also

a subgroup of  $G$ .



Theorem: The intersection of two subgroups is also a subgroup.

Proof: Let  $H_1$  &  $H_2$  be two subgroups of  $G$ .

To prove that  $H_1 \cap H_2$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Let  $H = H_1 \cap H_2$

Let  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2$

$\Rightarrow a, b \in H_1$  and  $a, b \in H_2$

Since  $H_1$  &  $H_2$  are subgroups of  $G$ ,

$a^{-1} \in H_1$  and  $ab^{-1} \in H_2$

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Since  $H_1$  &  $H_2$  are subgroups of  $G$ ,

$\therefore ab^{-1} \in H_1$  and  $ab^{-1} \in H_2$

$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H_1 \cap H_2$ .

$\therefore H_1 \cap H_2$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

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Intersection of an arbitrary family of



Theorem:- Intersection of an arbitrary family of subgroups of a group is a subgroup of the group.

Proof:- Let  $H_1, H_2, H_3, \dots$  be arbitrary family of subgroups of  $G$ .

To prove that

$H_1 \cap H_2 \cap H_3 \cap \dots$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

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Let  $H = H_1 \cap H_2 \cap \dots$

$= \cap H_i$

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$$\text{Let } H = H_1 \cap H_2 \cap \dots$$
$$= \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$$

$$\text{Let } a, b \in H \Rightarrow a, b \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$$

$$\Rightarrow a, b \in H_i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H_i \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{N} \quad (\because H \text{ is a subgroup of } G).$$

$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i$$

$$\therefore \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} H_i \text{ is a subgroup of } G.$$

Theorem: The union of two subgroups of a group need not be a subgroup of the group.

Solution: For Example

$$G = \mathbb{Z} = \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots \}$$

is a group w.r. to  $+$ .

$$\text{Let } H_1 = \{ 2m \mid m \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$= \{ \dots, -6, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots \}$$

and

$H_2 = \{ \dots \}$



$$H_2 = \{ 3^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

$$= \{ \dots, -9, -6, -3, 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots \}$$

are two subgroups of  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ .

Now

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

$$2, 3 \in H_1 \cup H_2$$

$\Rightarrow 2+3=5 \notin H_1 \cup H_2$ ,  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is not closed.  $\left. \begin{array}{l} H_1 \cup H_2 \\ \text{is not a} \\ \text{subgroup} \\ \text{of } \mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right\}$   
 $\therefore H_1 \cup H_2$  is not a group.

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Proof: let  $H_1$  &  $H_2$  be two subgroups of  $G$ .

let  $H_1 \subset H_2$  or  $H_2 \subset H_1$ ,

To P.T  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Since  $H_1 \subset H_2 \Rightarrow H_1 \cup H_2 = H_2$  is a subgroup.

Since  $H_2 \subset H_1 \Rightarrow H_2 \cup H_1 = H_1$  is a subgroup.

$\therefore H_1 \cup H_2$  is a subgroup.

Conversely,  
Suppose that  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a subgroup.

$\subseteq H$



$\therefore H_1 \cup H_2$

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To p.t.  $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  or  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ .

If possible suppose that  $H_1 \not\subseteq H_2$  or  $H_2 \not\subseteq H_1$ .  
If possible suppose that  $H_1 \not\subseteq H_2$  — ①

Since  $H_1 \not\subseteq H_2 \Rightarrow \exists a \in H_1$  and  $a \notin H_2$  — ①

Again  $H_2 \not\subseteq H_1 \Rightarrow \exists b \in H_2$  and  $b \notin H_1$  — ②

From ① and ②, we have —

$a \in H_1$  and  $b \in H_2$

$a \cdot b \in H_1 \cup H_2$



Since  $H_1 \cup H_2$

$$\therefore ab \in H_1 \cup H_2$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \in H_1 \text{ or } ab \in H_2$$

Let  $ab \in H_1$   
 let  $a \in H_1 \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H_1$  ( $\because H_1$  is subgroup),  
 $\therefore a^{-1} \in H_1, ab \in H_1 \Rightarrow a^{-1}(ab) \in H_1$  (by closure axiom of  $H$ )

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$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}a)b \in H_1 \text{ (by associative)}$$

$$\Rightarrow eb \in H_1 \text{ (by inverse)}$$

$H$

$\Rightarrow b \in H_1$  (by ...)

which is contradiction to  $b \notin H_1$

Let  $ab \in H_2$

Let  $b \in H_2 \Rightarrow b^{-1} \in H_2$

$\therefore b^{-1} \in H_2, ab \in H_2$

$\Rightarrow (ab)b^{-1} \in H_2$  by closure prop.

$\Rightarrow a(bb^{-1}) \in H_2$

$\Rightarrow a \in H_2$

$\Rightarrow a \in H_2$

to  $a \notin H_2$

$$\Rightarrow a \in H_2$$

$$\Rightarrow a \in H_2$$

$$\text{to } a \notin H_2$$

which is contradiction to our assumption that  $H_1 \not\subset H_2$  or  $H_2 \not\subset H_1$  is wrong.

∴ Either  $H_1 \subset H_2$  or  $H_2 \subset H_1$

Hence Proved