

Theorem (Natural Homomorphism)

Let

♪ R be a congruence relation on a groupoid $(G, *)$

♪ $(G/R, \otimes)$ be the corresponding quotient groupoid

Then the function $f_R : G \rightarrow G/R$ defined by

♪ $f_R(a) = [a]$

is an onto homomorphism, called the natural homomorphism.

Natural Homomorphism.

If $[a] \in G/R$, then

♪ $f_R(a) = [a]$

♪ So f_R is an onto function

If a and b are elements of G , then

♪ $f_R(a * b) = [a * b] = [a] \circledast [b] = f_R(a) \circledast f_R(b)$

So f_R is a homomorphism.



Theorem (Fundamental Homomorphism Theorem)

Let

- ♪ $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism of the groupoid $(G, *)$ onto the groupoid $(G', *')$
- ♪ R be the relation on G defined by, $\forall a, b \in G$
 - ♪ $a R b$ if and only if $f(a) = f(b)$

Then

- ♪ R is a congruence relation
- ♪ $(G', *')$ and the quotient groupoid $(G/R, \otimes)$ are isomorphic

Proof: R is an equivalence relation.

- ♪ $a R a$ for every $a \in S$, since $f(a) = f(a)$
- ♪ if $a R b$, then $f(a) = f(b)$, so $b R a$
- ♪ if $a R b$ and $b R c$
 - ♪ $f(a) = f(b)$ and $f(b) = f(c)$
 - ♪ so $f(a) = f(c)$ and $a R c$

Hence R is an equivalence relation.



Proof: R is a congruence relation.

- ♪ Suppose that $a R a_1$ and $b R b_1$
- ♪ $f(a) = f(a_1)$ and $f(b) = f(b_1)$
- ♪ $f(a * b) = f(a) *' f(b) = f(a_1) *' f(b_1) = f(a_1 * b_1)$
 - ♪ since f is a homomorphism

Hence $(a * b) R (a_1 * b_1)$



Proof: \bar{f} is a function.

$\bar{f} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{([a], f(a)) \mid [a] \in G/R\}$: a relation from G/R to G'

- ♪ Suppose that $[a] = [a']$
- ♪ $a R a'$, so $f(a) = f(a')$, which implies that \bar{f} is a function.
- ♪ write $\bar{f} : G/R \rightarrow G'$, where $\bar{f}([a]) = f(a)$ for $[a] \in G/R$.



Proof: \overline{f} is a one to one function.

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- ♪ Suppose that $\overline{f}([a]) = \overline{f}([a'])$
- ♪ $f(a) = f(a')$, so $a R a'$, which implies that $[a] = [a']$.
- ♪ Hence \overline{f} is one to one.



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- ♪ Suppose that $b \in G'$
- ♪ $f(a) = b$ for some element $a \in G$, since f is onto,
- ♪ $\overline{f}([a]) = f(a) = b$, so \overline{f} is onto.



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$$\begin{aligned}\bar{f}([a] \otimes [b]) &= \bar{f}([a * b]) \\ &= f(a * b) \\ &= f(a) *' f(b) \\ &= \bar{f}([a]) *' \bar{f}([b])\end{aligned}$$



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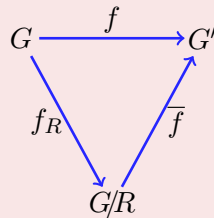
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Notice

- ♪ The Theorem can be described by the diagram on the right.
- ♪ f_R is the natural homomorphism.
- ♪ It follows from the definitions of f_R and \bar{f} that
 - ♪ $\bar{f} \circ f_R = f$
- ♪ Since
 - ♪ $(\bar{f} \circ f_R)(a) = \bar{f}(f_R(a)) = \bar{f}([a]) = f(a)$



Definition (Normal Subgroup)

Let

- ♪ H be a subgroup of a group G
- ♪ $a \in G$

The left and right coset of H in G determined by a is the set

- ♪ $aH = \{ah | h \in H\}$
- ♪ $Ha = \{ha | h \in H\}$

A subgroup H of G is normal if $aH = Ha$, for all $a \in G$

Warning

- ♪ If $Ha = aH$, it does not follow that, for $h \in H$ and $a \in G$, $ha = ah$.
- ♪ But $ha = ah'$, where h' is some other element in H .

Example

Let

- ♪ G be the symmetric group S_3
- ♪ The subset $H = \{f_1, g_2\}$ is a subgroup of G

Compute all the distinct left cosets of H in G .

Solution: $H = \{f_1, g_2\}$

♪ $f_1H = g_2H = H$

♪ $f_2H = \{f_2, g_1\}$

♪ $f_3H = \{f_3, g_3\}$

♪ $g_1H = \{g_1, f_2\} = f_2H$

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The distinct left cosets

♪ $H, f_2H, \text{ and } f_3H.$

$(S_3, *)$

*	f_1	f_2	f_3	g_1	g_2	g_3
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f_2	f_2	f_3	f_1	g_3	g_1	g_2
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- ♪ R be a congruence relation on a group G
- ♪ $H = [e]$, the equivalence class containing the identity

Then

- ♪ H is a normal subgroup of G
- ♪ $[a] = aH = Ha$, for each $a \in G$

Proof: for $a, b \in G$.

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Notice - Equivalence Class vs. Coset

The quotient group G/R consists of all the left cosets of $N = [e]$.

The operation in G/R is given by

$$\text{♪ } (aN)(bN) = [a] \circledast [b] = [ab] = abN$$

and the function $f_R : G \rightarrow G/R$, defined by

$$\text{♪ } f_R(a) = aN$$

is a homomorphism from G onto G/R . For this reason, we will often write G/R as G/N .

Theorem

Let

- ♪ N be a normal subgroup of a group G
- ♪ R be the following relation on G
 - ♪ $a R b$ if and only if $a^{-1}b \in N$

Then

- ♪ R is a congruence relation on G
- ♪ N is the equivalence class $[e]$ relative to R , where e is the identity of G

Proof. R is an equivalence relation.

Let $a \in G$

♪ $a R a$, since $a^{-1}a = e \in N$

♪ R is reflexive



Proof. R is an equivalence relation.

Suppose that $a R b$

- ♪ $a^{-1}b \in N$
- ♪ $N \ni (a^{-1}b)^{-1} = b^{-1}a$
- ♪ $b R a$
- ♪ R is symmetric.



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Suppose that $a R b$ and $b R c$

- ♪ $a^{-1}b \in N$ and $b^{-1}c \in N$
- ♪ $N \ni (a^{-1}b)(b^{-1}c) = a^{-1}c$
- ♪ $a R c$
- ♪ R is transitive.



Proof. R is a congruence relation on G .

Suppose that $a R b$ and $c R d$

- ♪ $a^{-1}b \in N$ and $c^{-1}d \in N$
- ♪ Since N is normal, $Nd = dN$
- ♪ Since $a^{-1}b \in N$, then $a^{-1}bd = dn$ for some $n \in N$.
- ♪ $(ac)^{-1}bd = (c^{-1}a^{-1})(bd) = c^{-1}(a^{-1}b)d = (c^{-1}d)n \in N$
- ♪ So $ac R bd$.
- ♪ Hence R is a congruence relation on G .



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Corollary

Let

- ♪ f be a homomorphism from a group $(G, *)$ onto a group $(G', *')$
- ♪ The kernel of f , $\ker(f)$, be defined by
 - ♪ $\ker(f) = \{a \in G \mid f(a) = e'\}$

Then

- ♪ $\ker(f)$ is a normal subgroup of G
- ♪ The quotient group $G/\ker(f)$ is isomorphic to G'

Example

Consider the homomorphism $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ defined by $f(m) = [r]$, where r is the remainder when m is divided by n .

♪ Find $\ker(f)$

Solution.

♪ An integer m in \mathbb{Z} belongs to $\ker(f)$

♪ if and only if

♪ $f(m) = [0]$

♪ if and only if

♪ m is a multiple of n

♪ Hence $\ker(f) = n\mathbb{Z}$.



The conclusion is ...

Following four are equivalent

- ♪ a congruence relation R on G
- ♪ a normal subgroup H of G
- ♪ a homomorphism from G to G/R or G'
- ♪ the kernel of a homomorphism from G to G'

Homework

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- ♪ 24@338
- ♪ 4,18,39@353-354
- ♪ Let G be a group, and let N and H be subgroups of G such that N is normal in G . Prove that
 - ① HN is a subgroup of G .
 - ② N is a normal subgroup of HN .