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Let G be a group s.t. $\forall g \in G, g^2 = e$. Show G is abelian.

Defn: A group (G, \cdot) is a set G with a binary operation \cdot s.t.

1. \cdot is associative $(g_1 \cdot g_2) \cdot g_3 = g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot g_3)$
2. $\exists e \in G$ s.t. $g \cdot e = e \cdot g = g \forall g \in G$
3. $\forall g \in G, \exists g^{-1}$ s.t. $g \cdot g^{-1} = g^{-1} \cdot g = e$

Defn: G is a group $H \subseteq G$ is a subgroup if H is a group under the same \cdot as G .

Example: $O_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{ \text{non real matrices s.t. } A^T = -A \}$
 $SO_n(\mathbb{R}) \subseteq O_n(\mathbb{R})$
 $\{ \dots \text{ in addition } \}$
 $\det A = 1$

Q: Given $H \subseteq G$, how do we know if H is a subgroup?

Thm (Subgroup Test): $H \subseteq G$ is a subgroup iff $\forall g, h \in H, gh^{-1} \in H, H \neq \emptyset$.

Pf: \Rightarrow H is a subgroup. Then, let $g, h \in H$. Then $h^{-1} \in H$ and by closure, $gh^{-1} \in H$.

\Leftarrow $H \subseteq G$ s.t. $\forall g, h \in H, gh^{-1} \in H$.

- let $g \in H$. Then $gg^{-1} \in H$, so $e \in H$.
- let $g \in H$. We know $e \in H$ so $e \cdot g^{-1} = g^{-1} \in H$.
- let $g, h \in H$. $h^{-1} \in H$, so $g(h^{-1})^{-1} = gh \in H$.

□

$S_3 =$ bijections $\{1, 2, 3\} \rightarrow \text{itself}$

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\}$$

$$\sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4, \sigma_5, \sigma_6\}$$

$$(23)(12) \quad \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_6\}$$

$$(132) = \{\sigma_1, \sigma_5\}$$

$$(12)(23) = \{\sigma_1, \sigma_4\}$$

$$= (123)$$

Defn: $H \subseteq G$ be a subgroup.

The number of cosets of H denoted $[G:H]$ is called the index of H .

Thm: G be a finite group. Then

$$\#G = \#H [G:H]$$

Pf.

G is partitioned into equivalence classes under $g \sim g'$ iff $gg'^{-1} \in H$.

Equiv. classes are just cosets of H .

So $\# \cup \text{cosets} = \#G$. We know

$$\#H = \#H$$

$$\Rightarrow \# \cup \text{cosets} = \#H \cdot [G:H] \quad \square$$

Thm: $H, K \subseteq G$ be subgroups $H \cap K$ is a subgroup.

Pf:

Suffices to show $\forall h, k \in H \cap K, hk^{-1} \in H \cap K$. Thm!

$$\text{Let } h, k \in H \cap K$$

$$h^{-1} \in H, k^{-1} \in K$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{-1} \in H \cap K$$

$$hk^{-1} \in H, hk^{-1} \in K$$

$$hk^{-1} \in H \cap K$$

□

Defn: $H \subseteq G$ be a subgroup. Then, let $g \in G$.

We say $gH = \{gh \mid h \in H\}$ is a left coset of G . $Hg = \{hg \mid h \in H\}$ is a right coset of G .

$$g \sim g' \text{ iff } gg'^{-1} \in H$$

$$\text{Thm: } \#H = \#gH = \#Hg.$$

Pf:

We will only show $\#H = \#gH$.
 Let $f: H \rightarrow gH$ be defined as $f(h) = gh$.

- Injective: $gh = gh'$, then

$$g^{-1}gh = g^{-1}gh' \Rightarrow h = h' \quad \checkmark$$

- Surjective: $x \in gH$

$$x = gh \text{ for some } h \in H.$$

$$f(h) = gh \quad \checkmark$$

□

Thm: You have the same number of left cosets as right cosets.

Pf

Let S be the set of left cosets of H , T be the set of right cosets of H .

$f: S \rightarrow T$ $f(gH) = f(Hg^{-1})$ is bijective. Check.

□

Examples of Cosets:

$$GL_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{ n \times n \text{ invertible matrices} \}$$

$$SL_n(\mathbb{R}) = \{ n \times n \text{ real matrices s.t. } \det = 1 \}$$

$$\text{Cosets are } \{ n \times n \text{ real matrices s.t. } \det = c, c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$C^\infty = \{ \text{real valued fns } f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } f \text{ continuously differentiable} \}$$

under addition

$$C = \{ f(x) = c, c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\text{Cosets of } C = f + C, f \in C^\infty$$

