

# **Adv Abstract Algebra: AAA #Final**

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## Problem 1

Assume that  $H \leq G$ ,  $|G : H| = 4$ ,  $L \leq G$ ,  $|L| = 77$ , show that  $L \leq H$ .

**Solution:**

Let  $G$  act on the set of right cosets of  $H$ ,  $\mathcal{R}$  by right action

$$G \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Sym}\mathcal{R} \cong S_4. \quad (1)$$

$$g \rightarrow (Ha \rightarrow Ha \cdot g) \quad (2)$$

Consider the Image of  $L$  under  $\varphi$ . Since  $L \leq G$ .

$$\implies \varphi(L) \leq S_4 \quad (3)$$

$$\implies |\varphi(L)| \text{ divide } |S_4| = 4! = 24 \quad (4)$$

so for  $\ell \in L$ ,  $\varphi(\ell) \mid \text{order}(\ell)$ , and  $\text{order}(\ell) \mid |L|$ , so  $\varphi(\ell) \mid |L|$  which implies  $\varphi(\ell) \mid 77$ .

$$\frac{|L|}{|\ker\varphi|_L} = |\text{Im of } L \text{ under } \varphi| \quad (5)$$

which implies

$$\varphi(L) \mid |L| \quad (6)$$

$$\implies \varphi(L) \mid 77 \quad (7)$$

$$\implies |\varphi(\ell)| \mid \gcd(77, 24) = 1 \quad (8)$$

$$\implies L \in \ker\varphi \quad (9)$$

$$\implies L \in \ker\varphi = \cap_{g \in G} gHg^{-1} \leq H \quad (10)$$

$$\implies L \leq H \quad (11)$$

## Problem 2

Let  $|G| = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 59$ . Prove:

1.  $|Z(G)| > 1$ .
2.  $G$  is abelian.
3.  $G$  is cyclic.

**Solution:**

**Part A**

consider Sylow 59 subgroup

$$n_{59} \equiv 1 \pmod{59} \quad (12)$$

$$n_{59} \mid 3 \cdot 5 \quad (13)$$

which implies  $n_{59} = 1$ .

Hence  $\exists$  unique Sylow 59 subgroup we call  $Q$ ,

$\implies Q \triangleleft G$ , consider  $G$  act on  $Q$  by conjugation.

$$G \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Aut}(Q) \quad (q \in Q) \quad (14)$$

$$g \rightarrow (q \rightarrow gqg^{-1}) \quad (15)$$

WTS:  $Q \leq Z(G)$

WTS:  $\ker \varphi = G$  Let  $g \in G$   $\varphi(g) \mid \text{Aut}(Q) = 58$  since  $|Q| = 59$  is prime,  $Q$  is cyclic. Also,

$$\frac{|G|}{|\ker \varphi|} = |\text{Im} \varphi| \quad (16)$$

$$\varphi(g) \text{ divides } |\text{Im} \varphi| \text{ which divides } |G| \quad (17)$$

$$\implies \varphi(g) \mid |G| = 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 59 \quad (18)$$

**Problem 3**

Let  $|G| = 2 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 79^3$ . Show that  $G$  is solvable.

**Solution:**

## Problem 4

Let a solvable group  $G$  act faithfully and transitively on the set  $\Omega$ , where  $|\Omega| = 35$ .

1. Prove that this action is not primitive.
2. Show that if  $G$  is abelian then it must be cyclic.

### Solution:

#### Part A

$G$  has a subnormal chain with abelian factor

$$1 = G_n \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G_1 \triangleleft G_0 = G \quad (19)$$

$$G \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Sym}(\Omega) \cong S_{35} \quad (20)$$

$\ker \varphi = 1$  since  $G$  is faithful,

$$G \cong \frac{G}{\ker \varphi} \cong \text{Im} \varphi \leq S_{35} \quad (21)$$

We have  $G \leq S_{35}$ ,  $G \hookrightarrow S_{35}$ ,  $|G| \leq 35!$   $G$  finite

$G$  transitive on  $\Omega$ :

Primitive  $\iff G_y <_{\max} G$ ,  $y \in \Omega$  Try to show  $G_y$  is not max subgroup in  $G$ ,  $y \in \Omega$ ?

Transitive, Orbit Stabilizer Theorem  $\implies |\Omega|$  divide  $|G|$ , so  $35 \mid |G|$ , now

$$|\text{orbit of } y| \cdot |G_y| = |G| \quad (22)$$

$$|\Omega| = 5 \cdot 7 \quad (23)$$

there exist minimal normal subgroup  $N \triangleleft G$ , (*comment from instructor*) suppose: *primitive, faithful, solvable*,  $\implies |N|$  is a prime power, but  $|N| = 35$ , contradiction

$\exists$  blocks,

1. 7 blocks  $|B_i| = 5$

2. 5 blocks  $|B_i| = 7$

$$G \rightarrow \text{Sym}(B_i) \cong S_5 \quad (24)$$

$G$  acts transitively on  $B_i$ 's, O-S implies  $5 \mid |G|$

$G$  abelian, transitive, faithful on  $\Omega$  implies  $G$  acts regularly on  $\Omega$ .

$\text{Stab}_x = 1 \ \forall x \in \Omega$ .

$G$  transitive,  $G \rightarrow \text{Sym}(\Omega)$ ,

$$1 = |\# \text{ of orbits}| = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} |\text{fixed elts by } g| \quad (25)$$

$$|G| = \sum_{g \in G} |\text{fixed elts by } g| \quad (26)$$

only identity can fix some elts, hence all  $\Omega$ .

$e \neq g$  cannot fix any element  $\implies$  since action is regular.

Hence  $|G| = 35 + 0$ , so  $|G| = 35$ .

Since  $G$  is abelian, use fundamental theorem for abelian group

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_7 \cong \mathbb{Z}_{35} \tag{27}$$

is cyclic, since 5,7 coprime.

## Problem 5

Let  $G$  be a finite group,  $e$  the identity of  $G$  and  $a$  some nonidentity element. Suppose that  $\chi$  is a character of  $G$  such that  $(\forall g \in G)$

$$\chi(g) = \begin{cases} 5, & \text{if } g = e, \\ 3, & \text{if } g = a, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

Determine  $G$ .

**Solution:**

We have  $|G| < \infty$ , and

$$[\chi, \chi] = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(g) \overline{\chi(g)} \quad (29)$$

$$= \frac{1}{|G|} (25 + 9 + 0) \quad (30)$$

$$= \frac{34}{|G|} \quad (31)$$

is an integer. so  $|G| \mid 34 = 2 \cdot 17$ .

$$[\chi, \chi] = \frac{1}{|G|} (5 + 3) = \frac{8}{|G|} \text{ is integer} \quad (32)$$

$$\implies |G| \mid 8 \quad (33)$$

$$\implies |G| \mid \gcd(8, 2 \cdot 17) = 2 \quad (34)$$

implies  $G$  is the unique group of 2 elements, the cyclic group of 2 elements.