

## Question 1

### Problem a

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ord}(a^{25}) &= \frac{105}{\gcd(105, 25)} = \frac{105}{5} = 21 \\ \text{ord}(a^{44}) &= \frac{105}{\gcd(105, 44)} = \frac{105}{1} = 105 \\ \text{ord}(a^{70}) &= \frac{105}{\gcd(105, 70)} = \frac{105}{35} = 3 \end{aligned}$$

### Problem b

$$\begin{aligned} &\exists a^n \in \langle a \rangle : \text{ord}(a^n) = 6 \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{6000}{\gcd(6000, n)} = 6 \\ &\gcd(6000, n) = 1000 \\ \Rightarrow &n = 1000 \vee n = 5000 \\ \Rightarrow &a^{1000}, a^{5000} \end{aligned}$$

### Problem c

$$\begin{aligned} &G = \langle a \rangle \text{ has a nontrivial subgroup of order 11} \\ &n := \text{ord}(G) \\ &G \text{ has a subgroup of order 11} \\ \Rightarrow &11 \text{ is a factor of } n \text{ other than the trivial 1 and } n \\ &G \text{ has exactly one subgroup} \\ \Rightarrow &11 \text{ is the only factor other than the trivial ones} \\ \Rightarrow &n = 11^2 = 121 \\ \Rightarrow &\text{ord}(G) = 121 \end{aligned}$$

### Problem d

Define  $G$  as the group of order  $pq$   
 $p, q$  are distinct primes  
 $\Rightarrow pq = p \times q$  is the only way of factorization  
 $\Rightarrow G$  only has two proper subgroups of order  $p$  and  $q$   
 $\Rightarrow G$  has four subgroups  
 $p, q$  are primes  
 $\Rightarrow \gcd(p, p-1) = \gcd(p, p-2) = \dots = \gcd(p, 1) = 1$   
 $\gcd(q, q-1) = \gcd(q, q-2) = \dots = \gcd(q, 1) = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow G$  has  $(p-1)(q-1) = pq - p - q + 1$  generators

### Problem e

Define  $G$  as the group of order  $p^n$   
factors of  $p^n : \{p^k | k \in [0, n] \cap \mathbb{Z}\}$   
There are  $n+1$  factors  
 $\Rightarrow$  There are  $n+1$  subgroups  
 $p$  is prime  
Only  $\gcd(p^n, p \times n) \neq 1 \forall n \in [1, p^{n-1}] \cap \mathbb{Z}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  There are  $p^n - p^{n-1}$  elements not coprime to  $p^n$   
 $\Rightarrow$  There are  $p^n - p^{n-1}$  generators

## Question 2

Case 1 :  $G = \bigcup G_i$ ,  $G_i$  is the subgroup of  $G \rightarrow G \neq \langle g \rangle, \forall g \in G$

Suppose :  $\exists g \in G : G = \langle g \rangle$

$n := \text{ord}(\langle G \rangle)$

$\Rightarrow G_i$  should have orders  $m : \gcd(m, n) > 1$

Consider  $g^{n-1}$

$\gcd(n, n-1) = 1$

$\Rightarrow g^{n-1} \notin \bigcup G_i$

$g^{n-1} \in \langle g \rangle$

$\Rightarrow G \neq \bigcup G_i \nRightarrow G = \bigcup G_i$

$\Rightarrow \nexists g \in G : G = \langle g \rangle$

Case 2 :  $G \neq \langle g \rangle, \forall g \in G \rightarrow G = \bigcup G_i$ ,  $G_i$  is the subgroup of  $G$

$\forall g \in G, \langle g \rangle$  is a proper subgroup of  $G \leftarrow G \neq \langle g \rangle$

$G_i := \langle g_i \rangle$

$\Rightarrow \forall g_i \in G, g_i \in \langle g_i \rangle \subset \bigcup \langle g_i \rangle = \bigcup G_i$

$\Rightarrow G \subseteq \bigcup G_i$

$\forall g_i \in \langle g_i \rangle, \exists g_i^{-1} : g_i g_i^{-1} = e_G$

$G$  is a group  $\rightarrow g_i^{-1} \in G$

$\Rightarrow \langle g_i \rangle \subset G \leftarrow$  all elements of  $\langle g_i \rangle$  are in  $G$

This stands for all  $G_i$

$\Rightarrow \forall g_i \in G, G_i = \langle g_i \rangle \subset G$

$\Rightarrow \bigcup G_i = \bigcup \langle g_i \rangle \subseteq G$

$\Rightarrow G = \bigcup G_i$

$G = \bigcup G_i$ ,  $G_i$  is the subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow G \neq \langle g \rangle, \forall g \in G$

*Q.E.D.*

### Question 3

$$G := S_3$$

Subgroups of  $S_3$  :

$$e = Id$$

$$\sigma_1 = (1\ 2)$$

$$\sigma_2 = (1\ 3)$$

$$\sigma_3 = (2\ 3)$$

$$\tau_1 = (1\ 2\ 3)$$

$$\tau_2 = (1\ 3\ 2)$$

$$\sigma_1 \circ \tau_1 = (1\ 2)(1\ 2\ 3) = (2\ 3)$$

$$\tau_1 \circ \sigma_1 = (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2) = (1\ 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_1 \circ \tau_1 \neq \tau_1 \circ \sigma_1$$

proper subgroups :  $\{e, \sigma_1\}, \{e, \sigma_2\}, \{e, \sigma_3\}, \{e, \tau_1, \tau_2\} \rightarrow$  abelian

$\Rightarrow S_3$  is not abelian though all the subgroups are abelian

## Question 4

$$\sigma := (1\ 2)$$

$$\tau := (1\ 2\ 3)$$

$$e = Id = \sigma^2 = \tau^3$$

$$(1\ 2) = \sigma$$

$$(1\ 2\ 3) = \tau$$

$$(1\ 3\ 2) = \tau^2$$

$$(1\ 3) = (1\ 2)(1\ 3\ 2) = \sigma\tau^2$$

$$(2\ 3) = (1\ 2)(1\ 2\ 3) = \sigma\tau$$

$$\Rightarrow S_3 = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$$

## Question 5

Identity :

$$\forall x \in A : Id(x) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow Id \in G_x$$

Inverse :

$$\sigma(x) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \sigma^{-1} : \sigma^{-1}(\sigma(x)) = \sigma^{-1}(x)$$

$$\sigma^{-1}(\sigma(x)) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}(x) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \sigma \in G_x, \exists \sigma^{-1}(x) \in G_x$$

Closure :

$$\exists \sigma, \tau \in G_x$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma(x) = \tau(x) = x$$

$$\sigma\tau(x) = \sigma(\tau(x)) = \sigma(x) = x$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \sigma, \tau \in G_x : \sigma\tau \in G_x$$

$$\Rightarrow G_x \text{ is a subgroup}$$

## Question 6

$$G := \{Id, (1\ 2)(3\ 4), (1\ 3)(2\ 4), (1\ 4)(2\ 3)\}$$

$$A := (1\ 2)(3\ 4)$$

$$B := (1\ 3)(2\ 4)$$

$$C := (1\ 4)(2\ 3)$$

Identity :

$$Id \in G$$

Inverse :

$$A^2 = (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 2)(3\ 4) = Id$$

$$\Rightarrow A^{-1} = A \in G$$

$$B^2 = (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 4) = Id$$

$$\Rightarrow B^{-1} = B \in G$$

$$C^2 = (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 4)(2\ 3) = Id$$

$$\Rightarrow C^{-1} = C \in G$$

Closure :

$$AB = (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 4) = (1\ 4)(2\ 3) = C \in G$$

$$AC = (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 4)(2\ 3) = (1\ 3)(2\ 4) = B \in G$$

$$BC = (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 4)(2\ 3) = (1\ 2)(3\ 4) = A \in G$$

$$A^2 = Id \in G$$

$$B^2 = Id \in G$$

$$C^2 = Id \in G$$

$$Id \times A = A \in G$$

$$Id \times B = B \in G$$

$$Id \times C = C \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow G \text{ is a subgroup of } S_4$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
* & e & a & b & c \\
\hline
e & e & a & b & c \\
\mathbb{V}_4: a & a & e & c & b \\
b & b & c & e & a \\
c & c & b & a & e
\end{array} \\
\\
\begin{array}{c|cccc}
\times & Id & A & B & C \\
\hline
Id & Id & A & B & C \\
G: A & A & Id & C & B \\
B & B & C & Id & A \\
C & C & B & A & Id
\end{array}
\end{array}
\leftarrow \text{from the calculation above}$$

$V_4$  and  $G$  have the same group table structure  
 $\Rightarrow G \cong V_4$



## Question 7

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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The group has order 6

The group represents the permutation of the values in the vector  
 $\Rightarrow S_3$  can form an isomorphism with the group

## Question 8

$$\sigma = (1\ 2)$$

$$\tau = (3\ 4\ 5)$$

$$H = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$$

$$\sigma^2 = e$$

$$\tau^3 = e$$

$$\exists m, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} : \sigma^m \tau^n = e$$

$\Rightarrow H$  is cyclic

$$\text{ord}(H) = \text{lcm}(\text{ord}(\sigma), \text{ord}(\tau)) = 2 \times 3 = 6$$

$\sigma$  and  $\tau$  are disjoint

$\Rightarrow (1\ 2), (3\ 4\ 5)$  can generate  $H$

## Question 9

### Problem a

$$\sigma, \tau : H \rightarrow H, H = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (1 \ 3 \ 2)$$

$$\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (2 \ 3)$$

$$\sigma \circ \tau = (1 \ 3)$$

$$\tau \circ \sigma = (1 \ 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \circ \tau \neq \tau \circ \sigma$$

$$\Rightarrow S_3 \text{ is not abelian}$$

$$S_3 \subset S_4 \subset \dots \subset S_n$$

$$\text{Suppose } S_n \text{ is abelian}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_3 \text{ is abelian} \nleftrightarrow S_3 \text{ is not abelian}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_n \text{ is not abelian } \forall n \geq 3$$

### Problem b

Suppose there are no odd permutations in  $H$   
 All elements of  $H$  are even  
 Suppose there is a subgroup  $H_n \in H$  having all the even permutations  
 $H = H_n \cup \{\sigma \in H \mid \sigma \text{ is odd}\}$   
 $\Phi : H_n \rightarrow H \setminus H_n$   
 $\Phi(\tau) = (1, 2)\tau, \tau \in H_n$   
 $\forall \tau \in H_n, (1, 2)\tau \text{ is odd}$   
 $\Rightarrow H_n \cap \Phi(H_n) = \emptyset$   
 $\exists \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in H_n : \Phi(\sigma_1) = \Phi(\sigma_2)$   
 $(1 \ 2)\sigma_1 = (1 \ 2)\sigma_2$   
 $\Rightarrow \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$   
 $\forall \tau \in \Phi(H_n), \exists \sigma \in H_n : (1 \ 2)\sigma = \tau$   
 $\Rightarrow \Phi$  is bijective  
 $\Rightarrow |H_n| = |\Phi(H_n)|$   
 $H_n \cup \Phi(H_n)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  exactly half of the elements are even

## Question 10

### Problem a

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(1) &= 2 \\ \sigma(2) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow (1 \ 2) \\ \sigma(3) &= 4 \\ \sigma(4) &= 5 \\ \sigma(5) &= 3 \\ \Rightarrow (3 \ 4 \ 5) \\ \sigma(6) &= 7 \\ \sigma(7) &= 8 \\ \sigma(8) &= 9 \\ \sigma(9) &= 10 \\ \sigma(10) &= 6 \\ \Rightarrow (6 \ 7 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10) \\ \Rightarrow \sigma &= (1 \ 2)(3 \ 4 \ 5)(6 \ 7 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10)\end{aligned}$$

### Problem b

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= (1 \ 2)(3 \ 4 \ 5)(6 \ 7 \ 8 \ 9 \ 10) \\ \Rightarrow \sigma &= (1 \ 2)(3 \ 5)(3 \ 4)(6 \ 10)(6 \ 9)(6 \ 8)(6 \ 7) \\ \text{There are seven transpositions} \\ \Rightarrow \sigma &\text{ is odd}\end{aligned}$$

### Problem c

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= (1\ 2)(3\ 4\ 5)(6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10) \\ |(1\ 2)| &= 2 \\ |(3\ 4\ 5)| &= 3 \\ |(6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10)| &= 5 \\ \Rightarrow \text{Order of } \sigma &= \text{lcm}(2, 3, 5) = 30\end{aligned}$$

## Reference

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