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# Subgroup

**Subgroup :** Let  $(G, *)$  be a group a non-empty subset  $H$  of  $G$  is said to be subgroup of  $G$  if  $H$  itself a group under composition  $*$ .

**One step test :** Let  $(G, *)$  be a group. A non-empty subset  $H$  of  $G$  is called a subgroup of  $G$  if

$a * b^{-1} \in H$ ; for all  $a \in H$  & for all  $b \in H$  where  $b^{-1}$  is inverse of  $b$ .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ap^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ap^{-1} \in SL$$

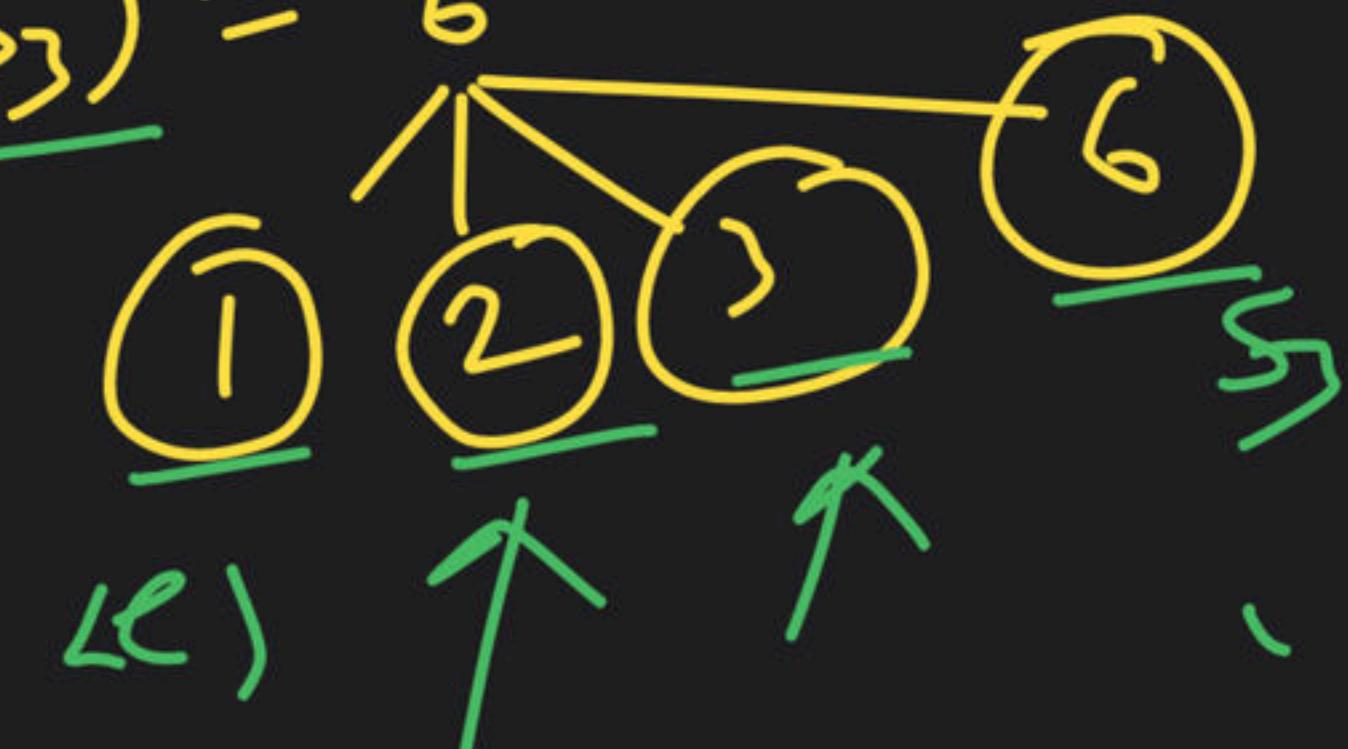
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 \\ -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = -15 + 16 = 1$$



$GL(2, R)$

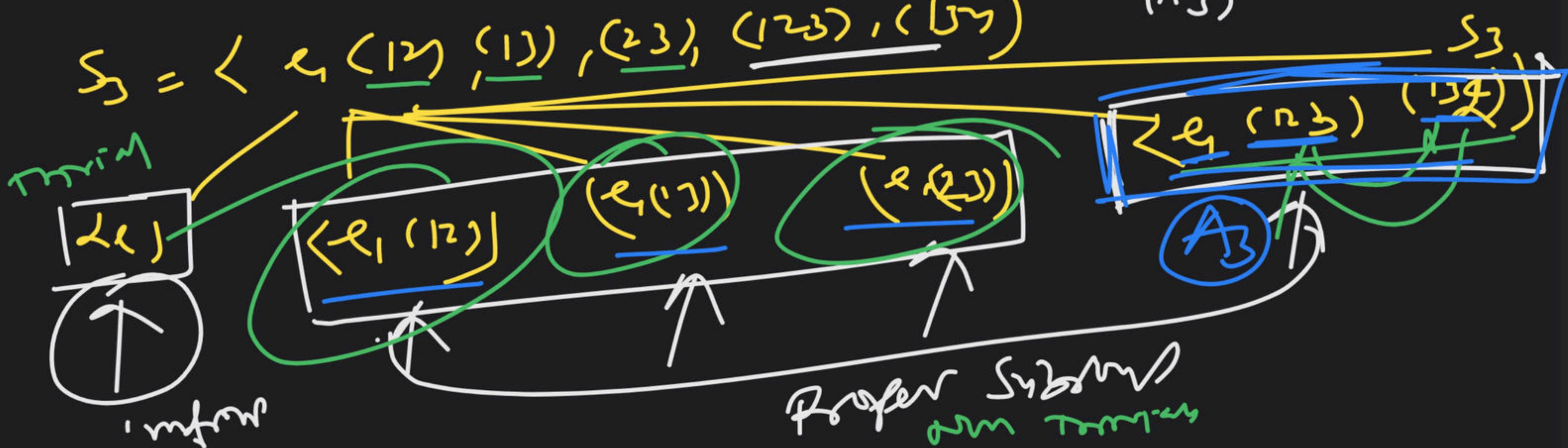
$\cancel{SL(2, R)}$

$$o(S_3) = 6$$



Not cyclic subgroup of  
order 2 =  $\frac{\text{order}}{\gcd(2)} = \frac{6}{1} = 6$

Not cyclic subgroup of order 3  
=  $\frac{6}{\text{Herrmann von 3}} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$



$(abc)(ef)$   
 $\boxed{(ac) (ab) (ef)}$

$S_{1K}$   
 $a b$

**(Q.1.)** Consider the alternating group  $A_4$ . Which of the following is FALSE?

- (a)  $A_4$  has 12 elements
- (b)  $A_4$  has exactly one subgroup of order 4
- (c)  $A_4$  has a subgroup of order 6
- (d) Number of 3 cycles in  $A_4$  is 8

## Result :

(15)

- (1) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order  $n$ , then number of subgroup are  $\tau(n)$  where  $\tau(n)$  are number of +ve divisor of  $n$ .

- (2) Number of cyclic subgroup of order  $d$

$$= \frac{\text{number of elements of order } d}{\phi(d)}$$

$$G = (\mathbb{Z}, +)$$
$$H_1 = (2\mathbb{Z}, +), H_2 = (3\mathbb{Z}, +)$$

$$(H_1 \cup H_2) = \langle (2, 3)^4, 6, \dots \rangle$$

~~$H_1 \cup H_2$~~

- (3) Intersection of two subgroup is always a subgroup.

- (4) Union of two subgroup is a subgroup iff one is contained in other.

$$H_1 = (2\mathbb{Z}, +) \quad H_2 = (3\mathbb{Z}, +)$$
$$H_1 \cup H_2$$

(5) Let H & K are two subgroup of group G, then

$$O(H \cap K) = \frac{O(H) \cdot O(K)}{O(H \cap K)}.$$

(6)  $H \cap K$  is a subgroup of H & K both.

~~Lagrange's theorem~~

Order of group is divisible by its every subgroup but converse need not be true

$$\boxed{P \mid n}$$

$$O(A_4) = \boxed{12}$$

$$\cancel{\boxed{6 \mid 12}}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ h \end{matrix} \times$$

$$O(G) = n$$

$$O(H) = P$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{P \mid n}$$

**Q.2.** Let  $H$  &  $K$  be subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}_{144}$ . If the order of  $H$  is 24 and the order of  $K$  is 36 then the order of the subgroup  $H \cap K$  is

- (a) 3  
(c) 12

(b) 4

(d) None of these

$$|H| = 24$$

$$|K| = 36$$

$$\begin{aligned} |H \cap K| &= \frac{|H| \cdot |K|}{|H \cup K|} \\ &= \frac{24 \times 36}{72} = 24 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 17 \\ 18 \\ 19 \\ 20 \\ 21 \end{array}$$

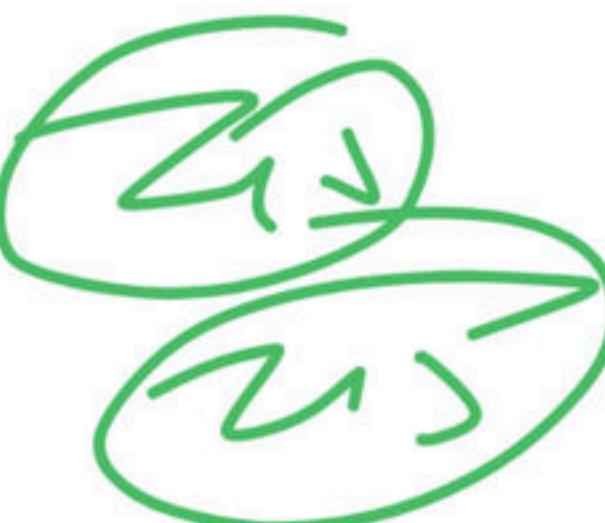
$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 17 \\ 18 \\ 19 \\ 20 \\ 21 \end{array}$$

**Q.3.** Let  $S_5$  be the symmetric group on five symbols. Then which of the following statements is false? **CSIR NET DEC. 2019**

- (a)  $S_5$  contains a cyclic subgroup of order 6
- (b)  $S_5$  contains a non-abelian subgroup of order 8
- (c)  $S_5$  does not contain a subgroup isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
- (d)  $S_5$  does not contain a subgroup of order 7

**Q.4. Which of the following is true? JAM 2018**

- (a)  $Z_n$  is cyclic iff  $n$  is prime
- (b) Every proper subgroup of  $Z_n$  is cyclic.
- (c) Every proper subgroup of  $S_n$  is cyclic
- (d) If every proper subgroup of a group is cyclic then the group is cyclic.



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Centre of group : Let G be a group. A collection Z(G) = {x ∈ G | xa =  
ax; for all a ∈ G} is also a subgroup of G, which is called centre of  
group.

$$Q_8 = \{+, 1, -1, \frac{ti}{\underline{tj}}, \frac{\underline{tj}}{-K}\}$$

$$\underline{Z(Q_8)} = \underline{\{1, -1\}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i \cdot 1 &= 1 \\ i(-1) &= (-1)i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} i(i) &= i(i) \\ ij &= ji \\ K & \quad -K \end{aligned}$$

$$K_4 = \overbrace{\{e, a_1 b, a b\}}$$

$$\sim (K_4) = \{e, a, b, c, d\}$$

$$\sim (K_{c1}) = K_4$$

$$ab \rightsquigarrow b's$$

$$a(gb) \rightsquigarrow \underline{eb)s}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(S_3) = \langle e, \uparrow \rangle$$

$\mathcal{M} \ni 3$

$$S_3 = \langle e, \underline{(12)}, \underline{(13)}, \underline{(23)}, \underline{(123)}, \underline{(132)} \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(S_4) = \langle e \rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\underline{(12)(13)}} &= (13)(12) \\ (132) &\neq (123) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z(S_2) &= \langle \text{id} \rangle \\ Z(S_1) &= S_1 \\ \mathcal{Z}(S_{10}) &= \langle \text{id} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$GL(3, \mathbb{R})$  $SL(3, \mathbb{R})$ 

$$Z(G) = \{ A \in G_1 \mid AB = BA \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^3 &= 1 \\ a &\equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$Z(\langle \cdot \rangle) = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{pmatrix}, a \in \mathbb{R} \right\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} O(Z(GL(2, \mathbb{R}))) &= \text{Infinite} \\ O(Z(SL(2, \mathbb{R}))) &= \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

**Q.5.**  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$  under addition.

~~(a)~~  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in G \mid a+b+c+d = 0 \right\}$  then H is a subgroup of G.

~~(b)~~  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in G \mid a+b+c+d = 1 \right\}$  then H is a subgroup of G.

~~(c)~~ Both (a) and (b) are correct.

~~(d)~~ None of above.

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#### **Q.6. Pick out the true statements**

- (a)  $H_1 = \{A \in GL(2, R) \mid \det A \text{ is an integer power of } 2\}$  then  $H_1$  is a subgroup.
- (b)  $H_2 = \{A \in GL(2, R) \mid \det A \text{ is an integer power of } 6\}$  then  $H_2$  is a subgroup.
- (c) Both (a) and (b) are correct.
- (d) None of the above

**Q.7.** Given a group G, its center is  $\{h \in G : hg = gh \text{ for all } g \in G\}$ .

Let G be the group  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ . Then the center of G

(a) is G itself

(b) is  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & x \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ .

(c) consists only of the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix.

(d)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x & x \\ 0 & 1 & x \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

**Q.8. : If  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are two subgroups of  $G$ , then following is also a subgroup of  $G$**

- (a)  $H_1 \cap H_2$
- (b)  $H_1 \cup H_2$
- (c)  $H_1H_2$
- (d) None of these

**Q.9** If  $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ , then there are

- (a) 2 subgroups      (b) 3 subgroups
- (c) 4 subgroups      (d) No subgroup possible

**Q.10** Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?

- (a) Any group of prime order can have no proper subgroups.
- (b) Any group of prime order can have proper subgroup.
- (c) The order of a subgroup divides the order of a group.
- (d) The order of a subgroup does not divide the order of a group.



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