

# MATCOI NOTES

## BINARY OPERATION

Let  $G$  be a set. A binary operation is defined to be a function  $*$ :  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  that maps/assigns each ordered pair of elements in  $G$  to another element in  $G$ .

## GROUP

A group is a pair  $(G, *)$  consisting of a set  $G \neq \emptyset$  and a binary operation  $*$  on  $G$  satisfying:

- $*$  must be associative for each  $g \in G$ .  $\Rightarrow \forall g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G, (g_1 * g_2) * g_3 = g_1 * (g_2 * g_3)$
- the existence of an identity element in  $G$ .  $\Rightarrow \forall g \in G, \exists e \in G$  s.t.  $e * g = g = g * e$
- for each  $g \in G$ , there exists a 2-sided inverse  $\Rightarrow \forall g \in G, \exists g^{-1} \in G$  s.t.  $g^{-1} * g = e = g * g^{-1}$

## CAYLEY TABLE (OPERATION TABLE)

$*$	$g_1$	$g_2$	$\dots$	$g_n$
$g_1$	$g_1 * g_1$	$g_1 * g_2$	$\dots$	$g_1 * g_n$
$g_2$	$g_2 * g_1$	$g_2 * g_2$	$\dots$	$g_2 * g_n$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	$\vdots$
$g_n$	$g_n * g_1$	$g_n * g_2$	$\dots$	$g_n * g_n$

where  $G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$ ,  $*$  is the binary operator of  $G$ .

$g_i$  is identity of  $G$  if  $g_i * g_j = g_j * g_i = g_j$

$g_i \in Z(G)$  if  $g_i * g_j = g_j * g_i$

## EXAMPLE OF GROUPS

GROUP	OPERATION	IDENTITY	FORM OF ELEMENT	INVERSE	ABELIAN
$\mathbb{Z}$ - integers	Addition	0	$k$	$-k$	yes
$\mathbb{Q}^+$ - positive rationals	Multiplication	1	$\frac{m}{n}, m, n > 0$	$\frac{n}{m}$	yes
$\mathbb{Z}_n$ - integers modulo $n$	Addition mod $n$	0	$k$	$n - k$	yes
$\mathbb{R}^*$ - reals w/o 0	Multiplication	1	$x$	$\frac{1}{x}$	yes
$\mathbb{C}^*$ - complex w/o 0	Multiplication	1	$a + bi$	$\frac{a}{a^2 + b^2} - \frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}i$	yes
$GL(2, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}^+)$ - general lin group units modulo	Matrix Multiplication	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$	$\frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$	no
$U(n)$ - multiplication mod $n$	multiplication mod $n$	1	$k, \gcd(k, n) = 1$	solution to $kx \bmod n = 1$	yes
$\mathbb{R}^n$	componentwise addition	$(0, 0, \dots, 0)$	$(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$	$(-a_1, -a_2, \dots, -a_n)$	yes
$SL(2, \mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}^+)$ - special lin group	Matrix Multiplication	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$	no
$D_n$ - dihedral group	Composition	$R_0$	$R_\alpha, L$ reflection	$R_{360-\alpha}, L$	no
$S_n$ - symmetric group	Composition	$(1)$	$(a b \dots d)$		no
$A_n$ - alternating group	Composition	$(1)$	$\alpha \in S_n$ s.t. $\alpha$ even		no

## DIHEDRAL GROUPS $D_n$

The set of ~~so~~ plane symmetries of a regular  $n$ -gon with composition.

## ORDER

Let  $G$  be a group. The order of  $G$  ( $|G|$ ) is the size of  $G$ . The order of an element  $g \in G$  ( $|g|$ ) is the smallest positive number  $n$  s.t.  $g^n = e$ . If no such  $n$ , then  $g$  has infinite order.



## PERMUTATION

Bijection from non-empty set  $X$  to  $X$ . Is a group under  $\circ$  composition

### 5 CONDITIONS TO VERIFY FOR GROUP

### CHECK CAYLEY TABLE

1. Set  $S \neq \emptyset$

identity: same row and col # <sup>is a copy of</sup> row/col header

2. Closure under operation  $*$

3. Associativity

4. Existence of identity  $e \in S$

5. Existence of inverse  $a^{-1} \in S \forall a \in S$

### CYCLE / K-CYCLE

Let  $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in X$  distinct.  $(a_1 a_2 \dots a_k)$  is a cycle or  $k$ -cycle representing the permutation  $\begin{matrix} a_1 \mapsto a_2 \\ a_2 \mapsto a_3 \\ \vdots \\ a_k \mapsto a_1 \end{matrix}$  and fixes everything else.

### SYMMETRIC GROUP OF DEG $n$ $S_n$

Group of permutations on set  $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

### MODULAR ARITHMETIC

Let  $a, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $n > 0$ .  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$  s.t.  $a = nq + r$  where  $0 \leq r < n$

- addition modulo  $n = (a+b) \bmod n$

- multiplication modulo  $n = (ab) \bmod n$

### INTEGERS MODULO $N$

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .  $\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}$  is called

GROUP:  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, + \bmod n)$

### UNITS MODULO $N$

Let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .  $U(n) = \{a \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid \gcd(a, n) = 1\}$

GROUP:  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, \cdot \bmod n)$

### UNIQUENESS OF IDENTITY

If  $G$  is a group then the identity element  $e$  is unique.

### CANCELLATION

If  $G$  is a group then

1.  $\forall a, b, c \in G$ ,  $ac = bc \Rightarrow a = b$  (right cancellation law)
2.  $\forall a, b, c \in G$ ,  $ca = cb \Rightarrow a = b$  (left cancellation law)

### UNIQUENESS OF INVERSE

Let  $G$  be a group.  $\forall g \in G \exists$  a unique  $g^{-1} \in G$  s.t.  $g^{-1}g = e = gg^{-1}$

### SOCKS-SHOES PROPERTY

For group elements  $a$  and  $b$ ,  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$ .

### ABELIAN

Let  $G$  be a group.  $G$  is abelian if  $gh = hg$ ,  $\forall g, h \in G$ . If a group is not abelian, we call  $G$  non-abelian.

### SUBGROUP

Let  $G$  be a group. If  $H \subseteq G$  and  $H \neq \emptyset$  is itself a group under the same group operation as  $G$ , then  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  ( $H \leq G$ ).  $H < G$  = proper subgroup



## ONE-STEP SUBGROUP TEST

Let  $G$  be a group and  $H \subseteq G$  and  $H \neq \emptyset$ . If  $h, h^{-1} \in H \ \forall h, h_2 \in H$ . Then  $H \leq G$ .

## TWO-STEP SUBGROUP TEST

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \subseteq G$  and  $H \neq \emptyset$ . If

1.  $h_1 h_2 \in H, \forall h_1, h_2 \in H$  closure

2.  $h^{-1} \in H, \forall h \in H$  inverses Then  $H \leq G$

## CYCLIC GROUP

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $a \in G$ . Then  $\langle a \rangle = \{a^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is called the cyclic subgroup <sup>of  $G$</sup>  generated by  $a$ .

If  $\langle a \rangle = G$ , we say  $G$  is a cyclic group generated by  $a$ .

## CENTER

Let  $G$  be a group.  $Z(G) = \{g \in G \mid gx = xg \ \forall x \in G\}$  i.e. all elements in  $G$  that commute with every elements of  $G$ .

## CENTER IS A SUBGROUP

The center of a group is a subgroup of  $G$ .

## CENTRALIZER

Let  $a$  be a fixed element of a group  $G$ . The centralizer of  $a$  in  $G$ ,  $C(a)$ , is the set of all elements in  $G$  that commute with  $a$ .  $C(a) = \{g \in G \mid ga = ag\}$

For each  $a$  in a group  $G$ , the centralizer of  $a$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

## CRITERION FOR $a^i = a^j$

Let  $G$  be a group, let  $a \in G$ . If  $a$  has infinite order, then  $a^i = a^j \Leftrightarrow i = j$

If  $a$  has finite order s.t.  $|a| = n$ , then  $\langle a \rangle = \{e, a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}\}$  and  $a^i = a^j$   
 $\Leftrightarrow n \mid i - j$

$$|a| = |\langle a \rangle|$$

For any group element  $a$ ,  $|a| = |\langle a \rangle|$ .

$$a^k = e \Rightarrow |a| \mid k$$

Let  $G$  be a group,  $a \in G$ ,  $|a| = n$ . If  $a^k = e$ , then  $n$  divides  $k$   $n \mid k$

$$\langle a^k \rangle = \langle a^{\gcd(n, k)} \rangle \text{ and } |a^k| = \frac{n}{\gcd(n, k)} \quad a \in G, |a| = n, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$$

## THE FUNDAMENTAL THM OF CYCLIC GROUPS (FTCCG) ★

1. Every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.

2. If  $|\langle a \rangle| = n$  and  $H$  is <sup>any</sup> ~~any~~ subgroup of  $\langle a \rangle$ , then  $|H| \mid n$

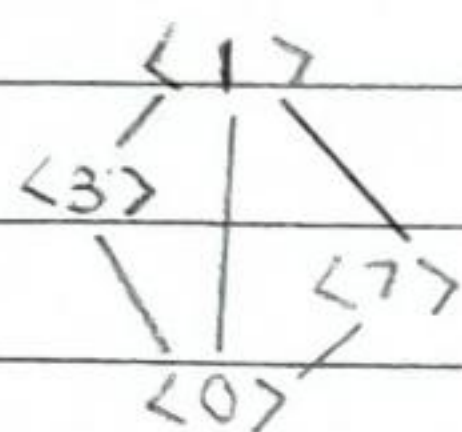
3. Suppose  $|\langle a \rangle| = n$ . For each positive divisor  $k$  of  $n$ ,  $\langle a \rangle$  has exactly one subgroup of order  $k$ .  $\langle a^{\frac{n}{k}} \rangle$



## SUBGROUPS OF $\mathbb{Z}_n$

For each positive divisor  $k$  of  $n$ , the set  $\langle \frac{n}{k} \rangle$  is a unique subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  of order  $k$ . Moreover, these are the only subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .

### LATTICE DIAGRAM



LARGEST ORDER

SMALLEST ORDER

$$|\mathbb{Z}_{21}| = 21 = n$$

$$\langle \frac{21}{1} \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle = \{0\}$$

$$\langle \frac{21}{3} \rangle = \langle 7 \rangle = \{0, 7, 14\}$$

$$\langle \frac{21}{7} \rangle = \langle 3 \rangle = \{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18\}$$

$$\langle \frac{21}{21} \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle = \mathbb{Z}_{21}$$

## DISJOINT CYCLES

A pair of ~~any~~ cycles  $\alpha = (a_1 a_2 \dots a_k)$ ,  $\beta = (b_1 b_2 \dots b_\ell)$  that have no common entries, i.e.  $a_i \neq b_j \forall i, j$ .

### PRODUCT OF DISJOINT CYCLES

Every element of  $S_n$  is either a cycle or can be written uniquely (up to order) as a product of disjoint cycles.

### DISJOINT CYCLES COMMUTE

Disjoint cycles commute. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are ~~dis~~ disjoint, then  $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$ .

### ORDER OF A PERMUTATION

Let  $\alpha \in S_n$ . If  $\alpha$  is written as a product of disjoint cycles  $\alpha = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_r$  then  $|\alpha| = \text{lcm}\{l_1, l_2, \dots, l_r\}$  where  $l_i$  is the length of cycle  $\alpha_i$ .

## CYCLE TYPE OF $\alpha \in S_n$

Let  $\alpha \in S_n$ . Let  $\alpha = \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_m$  be a decomposition of  $\alpha$  into disjoint cycles. Let  $l_i$  be the length of  $\alpha_i$  for each  $i$ . The cycle type of  $\alpha$  is a list in decreasing order of the  $l_i$ 's.

### PRODUCT OF 2-CYCLES (TRANPOSITIONS)

Every permutation in  $S_n$  ( $n > 1$ ) can be written as a product of 2-cycles.

## ODD AND EVEN PERMUTATIONS

Even: a permutation can be expressed as an even number of transpositions.  
Odd: a permutation can be expressed as an ~~is~~ odd number of transpositions.

## ALTERNATING GROUP OF DEGREE $n$

$A_n = \{\alpha \in S_n \mid \alpha \text{ is even}\}$  is called the alternating group of degree  $n$ , and is a subgroup of  $S_n$ .

For  $n > 1$ ,  $A_n$  has order  $\frac{n!}{2}$ .

## NUMBER OF PERMUTATIONS OF CERTAIN CYCLE TYPE

$$\frac{n!}{k_1! \dots k_s! n_1^{k_1} \dots n_s^{k_s}}$$

where  $k_i = \#$  cycles with length  $n_i$   
 $n_i = \text{length of a cycle (distinct)}$



## HOMOMORPHISM

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. A homomorphism is a map  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  s.t.  $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$   
 $\forall a, b \in G$   
 $\uparrow$  operation in  $G$        $\uparrow$  operation in  $\bar{G}$

## ISOMORPHISM

An isomorphism is a homomorphism that is bijective  $G \cong \bar{G}$  or  $G \simeq \bar{G}$

### EXAMPLES

$\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$   $\phi(g) = \bar{e} \quad \forall g \in G$  trivial homomorphism

$\phi: G \rightarrow G$   $\phi(g) = g \quad \forall g \in G$  identity homomorphism / trivial isomorphism

if  $H \leq G$ , then  $\phi: H \rightarrow G$   $\phi(h) = h \quad \forall h \in H$  inclusion homomorphism

## KERNEL

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  is a homomorphism. The set  $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \{g \in G \mid \phi(g) = \bar{e}\} =$   
is called kernel of  $\phi$ .

$$\text{Ker}(\phi) \leq G$$

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  be a homomorphism. Then  $\text{Ker}(\phi) \leq G$

### PROPERTIES OF HOMOMORPHISMS

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  be a homomorphism. Then

1.  $\phi(e) = \bar{e}$
2.  $\phi(g^n) = (\phi(g))^n, \quad \forall g \in G, n \in \mathbb{Z}$
3. If  $|g| < \infty$  then  $|\phi(g)| \mid |g|$
4.  $\phi$  is injective  $\Leftrightarrow \text{Ker}(\phi) = \{e\}$

### IMAGE OF H UNDER $\phi$

Let  $H, \bar{H}$  be a group. Let  $\phi: H \rightarrow \bar{H}$  be a homomorphism.  $\phi(H) = \{\phi(h) \in \bar{H} \mid h \in H\}$  is the image of  $H$  under  $\phi$ .

### PROPERTIES OF SUBGROUPS UNDER HOMOMORPHISM

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  be a homomorphism. Let  $H \leq G$ . Let  $\phi(H)$  be the image of  $H$  under  $\phi$ . Then

1.  $\phi(H) \leq \bar{G}$
  2. If  $H$  is cyclic then  $\phi(H)$  is cyclic
  3. If  $H$  is abelian then  $\phi(H)$  is abelian
- } iff for  $\phi$  isomorphism.

## CAYLEY'S THM

Let  $G$  be a group. If  $|G| < \infty$  then  $G$  is isomorphic to a subgroup of  $S_n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

### EQUAL NUMBER OF ORDER N ELEMENTS

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Suppose  $|G| < \infty$ . Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  be an isomorphism. Then for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , the  
any number of elements in  $G$  of order  $n$  is equal to the number of elements in  $\bar{G}$  of order  $n$ .



## AUTOMORPHISM

Let  $G$  be a group. An automorphism  $\phi$  is an isomorphism  $\phi: G \rightarrow G$ .  $\text{Aut}(G)$

## AUTOMORPHISM AS A GROUP

Let  $G$  be a group. The set  $\text{Aut}(G) = \{\phi: G \rightarrow G \mid \phi \text{ is automorphism}\}$  with the operation of composition is a group.

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n) \cong U(n)$$

## LEFT / RIGHT - COSET OF $H$ IN $G$ CONTAINING $a$

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $a \in G$ . The set  $\{ah \mid h \in H\} = aH$  is a left-coset of  $H$  in  $G$  containing  $a$ .  $\{ha \mid h \in H\} = Ha$  is a right-coset of  $H$  in  $G$  containing  $a$ .  $a$  is the coset representative of  $aH$  or  $Ha$ .

## COSET PROPERTIES

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$ . Let  $a, b \in G$ . Then

1.  $a \in aH$
2.  $aH = H \Leftrightarrow a \in H$
3.  $aH = bH \Leftrightarrow a \in bH$
4.  $aH = bH \Leftrightarrow a^{-1}b \in H$
5.  $aH = bH$  or  $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$
6.  $|aH| = |bH|$
7.  $aH = Ha \Leftrightarrow H = a^{-1}Ha$
8.  $aH$  is subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow a \in H$

## LAGRANGE'S THM

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$ . If  $|G| < \infty$ , then

1.  $|H| \mid |G|$
2. the distinct left / right cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  equals  $\frac{|G|}{|H|} = |G:H|$

## INDEX OF $H$ IN $G$

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$ . The index of  $H$  in  $G$  is the number of distinct left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ .  $|G:H|$

$$|a| \text{ DIVIDES } |G|, a^{|G|} = e$$

Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $a \in G$ .  $|a| \mid |G|$  and  $a^{|G|} = e$

## FERMAT'S LITTLE THM

Let  $G$  be a finite group. if  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $p \geq 2$  and is prime then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

## NORMAL SUBGROUP

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$ .  $H$  is normal  $\Leftrightarrow aH = Ha \forall a \in G$ .  $H \trianglelefteq G$

## NORMAL SUBGROUP TEST

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \leq G$ .  $H \trianglelefteq G \Leftrightarrow aHa^{-1} \subseteq H, \forall a \in G$ , where  $aHa^{-1} = \{aha^{-1} \mid h \in H\}$

## QUOTIENT GROUP (FACTOR GROUP)

Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $H \trianglelefteq G$ , the set  $\frac{G}{H} = \{aH \mid a \in G\}$  is a group with operation

$$* \quad (aH) * (bH) = (ab)H. \quad \frac{G}{H} \text{ is called quotient group.}$$



# 1<sup>st</sup> ISOMORPHISM THM ✱

Let  $G, \bar{G}$  be groups. Let  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  be a homomorphism

Then i.  $\ker(\phi) \trianglelefteq G$

ii.  $\frac{G}{\ker(\phi)} \cong \phi(G)$  (Image of  $G$ )

## COROLLARY OF 1<sup>st</sup> ISO THM

If  $\phi$  is a homomorphism <sup>s.t.</sup>  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  or, where  $G, \bar{G}$  are finite groups, then  
 $|\phi(G)|$  divides both  $|G|$  and  $|\bar{G}|$ .  $|\bar{G}|, |G| < \infty$  and  $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G} \Rightarrow |\phi(G)| \mid |G|$   
and  $|\phi(G)| \mid |\bar{G}|$