

Chap 13: Counting cosets.

G : a group, H : a subgroup of G . $\forall a \in G$.

$aH = \{ah : h \in H\}$ left coset of H in G .

$Ha = \{ha : h \in H\}$ right coset of H in G .

(right) coset is a subset of G

$$Ha = Hb : Ha \subseteq Hb \text{ and } Hb \subseteq Ha$$

Prop: If $a \in Hb$, then $Ha = Hb$.

Pf: $a \in Hb \Rightarrow a = h_1 b$ for some $h_1 \in H \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} \forall h \in H \\ ha = h h_1 b \in Hb \Rightarrow Ha \subseteq Hb \\ hb = h h_1^{-1} h_1 b = (h h_1^{-1}) a \in Ha \\ \Rightarrow Hb \subseteq Ha \end{matrix}$
So $Ha = Hb$.

Thm 1: The family of all the cosets Ha , as a ranges over G , is a partition of G .

Pf: (i) $Ha \cap Hb \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \exists h_1, h_2, h_1 a = h_2 b \Rightarrow a = h_1^{-1} h_2 b \Rightarrow Ha = H h_1^{-1} h_2 b = Hb$

(ii) $\forall c \in G, c = e \cdot c \in Hc$

Thm 2: If Ha is any coset of H , there is a one-to-one correspondence from H to Ha .

Pf: $f: H \rightarrow Ha, h \mapsto ha$

(i) injective: $h_1 a = h_2 a \Rightarrow h_1 = h_2 \Rightarrow f$ is bijective, or one-to-one

(ii) surjective: $\forall h \in H, h \mapsto ha \in Ha$ correspondence from H to Ha

Thm 3 (Lagrange's thm) Let G be a finite group, and H any subgroup of G .

The order of G is a multiple of the order of H .

Ex: $|G| = 15 \Rightarrow$ a proper subgroup H has either $|H| = 3$ or $|H| = 5$

Thm 4: If G is a group with a prime number p of elements, then G is a cyclic group. Furthermore, any element $a \neq e$ in G is a generator of G .

So there is, up to isomorphism, only one group of any given prime order p .

Thm 5: The order of any element of a finite group divides the order of the group.

Prf: $| \langle a \rangle | = \text{ord}(a) \quad | \langle a \rangle | \mid |G|$

Def: $H < G$. The index of H in G , denoted by $(G:H)$, is the number of cosets of H in G :

$$(G:H) = \frac{|G|}{|H|}$$

Exer A.1 $G = S_3$, $H = \{e, \beta, \delta\}$ $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (132)$, $\delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = (123)$.

$$\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (23), \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = (12), \kappa = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = (13).$$

$$H\alpha = \{\alpha, \beta\alpha, \delta\alpha\} \quad \beta\alpha = (132)(23) = (13)(2) = (13) = \kappa, \quad \delta\alpha = (123)(23) = (12)(3) = \gamma$$

$$= \{\alpha, \kappa, \gamma\}. \quad \text{There are 2 cosets: } (G:H) = 2 = \frac{|G|}{|H|} = \frac{6}{3}$$

$$H\varepsilon = \{e, \beta, \delta\}$$

$$G = \mathbb{Z}_4, H = \{0, 2\} \quad H+0 = \{0, 2\}, \quad H+1 = \{1, 3\} \quad 2 \text{ cosets.}$$

$$\text{B.1. } G = \mathbb{Z}, H = \langle 3 \rangle. \quad H+0 = \langle 3 \rangle, \quad H+1 = \{1+3k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$H+2 = \{2+3k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

$$\text{B.2: } G = \mathbb{R}, H = \mathbb{Z}. \quad \forall a \in [0, 1) \quad H+a = \{a+k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

$$\text{cosets: } \{H+a; a \in [0, 1)\} \cong S^1.$$

$$\text{B.4. } G = \mathbb{R}^*, H = \langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle = \{2^k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \langle 2 \rangle$$

$$\text{cosets: } \{H \cdot a; a \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \cup [-1, -\frac{1}{2})\} \cong S^1 \times \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

$$C.2 \quad |G| = pq \quad \underset{e}{a} \in G \Rightarrow | \langle a \rangle | \mid pq \Rightarrow | \langle a \rangle | = p, \text{ or } q, \text{ or } pq$$

$$\text{If } | \langle a \rangle | = pq, \text{ then } G = \langle a \rangle.$$

$$D.6 \quad G \text{ abelian, } |G| = n, (m, n) = 1, f: G \rightarrow G \quad x \mapsto x^m.$$

$$f \text{ is a homomorphism: } f(xy) = (xy)^m = x^m y^m = f(x)f(y).$$

need to show that f is a bijection. Because G is finite, enough to show that f is injective. If $f(x) = f(y)$, then $x^m = y^m \Rightarrow (xy^{-1})^m = e$

$$\Rightarrow | \langle xy^{-1} \rangle | \mid m. \text{ By Lagrange thm, } | \langle xy^{-1} \rangle | \mid n$$

$$\text{So } | \langle xy^{-1} \rangle | \mid \gcd(m, n). \quad m, n \text{ relatively prime} \Rightarrow | \langle xy^{-1} \rangle | = e$$

$$\Rightarrow xy^{-1} = e \Rightarrow x = y. \text{ So } f \text{ is injective} \Rightarrow \text{bijective}$$

$$E.6 \quad \Phi: \{ \text{right cosets} \} \longrightarrow \{ \text{left cosets} \}.$$

$$Ha \mapsto a^{-1}H$$

$$\text{well-defined: } Ha = Hb \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in H \Leftrightarrow b^{-1} \in a^{-1}H \Leftrightarrow b^{-1}H \subseteq a^{-1}H$$

$$\text{injective: } a^{-1}H = b^{-1}H \Leftrightarrow a^{-1} \in b^{-1}H \Leftrightarrow ba^{-1} \in H \Leftrightarrow b \in Ha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Ha = Hb$$

$$\text{surjective: } \forall bH, Hb^{-1} \mapsto bH.$$

$$\text{So } \Phi \text{ is a bijection.}$$

Cauchy's theorem: If G is a finite group, and p is a prime divisor of $|G|$, then G has an element of order p .

F. $|G|=6$. By Cauchy's thm, \exists an element a of order 2 and an element of order 3.

$$G = \{e, a, b, b^2, ab, ab^2\}$$

Chap 10. E3 : $\text{ord}(a)=m, \text{ord}(b)=n, \text{gcd}(m,n)=1 \Rightarrow \{a^i b^j; 0 \leq i \leq m-1, 0 \leq j \leq n-1\}$
 consists of distinct elements.

Pf. $a^{i_1} b^{j_1} = a^{i_2} b^{j_2} \Rightarrow a^{i_1 - i_2} = b^{j_2 - j_1}$

$$\text{ord}(a^{i_1-i_2}) \mid m \quad \text{and} \quad \gcd(m,n)=1 \Rightarrow \text{ord}(a^{i_1-i_2}) = \text{ord}(b^{j_2-j_1}) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{i_1 - i_2} = b^{j_2 - j_1} = e \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} m \mid i_1 - i_2 \\ n \mid j_2 - j_1 \end{matrix}$$

Case 1: $ab=ba$: $\text{ord}(ab) \stackrel{?}{=} \text{lcm}(m,n) = mn$

because $\gcd(m, n) = 1$:

- $\cdot \text{ord}(ab) \leq \text{lcm}(m, n) \Leftrightarrow (ab)^{\text{lcm}(m, n)} = e$
- $\cdot (ab)^k = e \Rightarrow a^k = b^{-k} \Rightarrow \text{ord}(a^k) \mid m$

$$\Rightarrow G = \langle ab \rangle \text{ is cyclic } \begin{pmatrix} m=2 \\ n=3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\Rightarrow a^k = b^{-k} \Rightarrow \text{ord}(a^k) | m$$

$$\quad\quad\quad \swarrow \text{ord}(b^{-k}) | n$$

$$\text{ord}(a^k) = \text{ord}(b^{-k}) = 1$$

Case 2: $ba = ab^2$: $G \cong S_3$.

$$a^k = b^{-k} = e \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} m|k \\ n|k \end{matrix} \Rightarrow \text{lcm}(m, n) | k$$

a : a reflection, b : a rotation