

1) Let $\sigma = (i_1 \ i_2 \ \dots \ i_m) \in S_n$ be a cycle, where $m \leq n$, so we have $i_j \xrightarrow{\sigma} i_{j+1 \bmod m}$ For each $1 \leq j \leq m$.
Now let $\tau = (t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_k) \in S_n$ be another cycle.

Note that wlog we can assume τ is a single cycle, if $\tau = \alpha\beta$ is the product of 2 disjoint cycles $\alpha, \beta \in S_n$, then $\tau^{-1} = \beta^{-1}\alpha^{-1}$ and so

$$\tau^{-1} \sigma \tau = \beta^{-1} \alpha^{-1} \sigma \alpha \beta := \beta^{-1} \sigma' \beta,$$

where σ' will inductively be a single cycle,

since if $\sigma' = (s_1 \ s_2 \ \dots \ s_m)$

then $\alpha^{-1} \sigma' \alpha = (\alpha(s_1) \ \alpha(s_2) \ \dots \ \alpha(s_m))$.

We want to show that

$$\tau \sigma \tau^{-1} = (\tau(i_1) \ \tau(i_2) \ \dots \ \tau(i_m)) \ , \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\tau(i_j) \xrightarrow{\tau \sigma \tau^{-1}} \tau(i_{j+1 \bmod m})$$

So consider what happens to a fixed $\tau(i_j)$:

- Applying $\tau^{-1} : \tau(i_j) \xrightarrow{\tau^{-1}} i_j$ (since $\tau^{-1}\tau = \text{id}$)
- Applying $\sigma : i_j \xrightarrow{\sigma} i_{j+1 \bmod m}$ (by \star)
- Applying $\tau : i_{j+1 \bmod m} \xrightarrow{\tau} \tau(i_{j+1 \bmod m})$ (by defn.)

$$\text{So } \tau(i_j) \xrightarrow{\tau^{-1}} i_j \xrightarrow{\sigma} i_{j+1 \bmod m} \xrightarrow{\tau} \tau(i_{j+1 \bmod m})$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau(i_j) \xrightarrow{\tau\sigma\tau^{-1}} \tau(i_{j+1 \bmod m}) \text{ as desired. } \blacksquare$$

2) Claim 1:

Let $\tau_{ij} = (i \ j) \in S_n$, so for $1 \leq i, j \leq n$ we have

$$i \xrightarrow{\tau_{ij}} j \text{ and } \tau_{ij}^2 = \text{id}, \text{ and let } A = \{\tau_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}.$$

$$\text{Then } S_n = \langle A \rangle.$$

Claim 2: Let

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= (1 \ 2) \\ \tau &= (1 \ 2 \ 3 \ \cdots \ n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Then } \langle A \rangle \subseteq \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle.$$

Note that if these are true, then

$$S_n = \langle A \rangle \subseteq \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \subseteq S_n \Rightarrow \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle = S_n$$

\uparrow Claim 1 \uparrow Claim 2 \uparrow Since $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ which is closed under products \uparrow What we want to show

Proof of claim 1: Note that $\langle A \rangle \subseteq S_n$ since S_n

is closed under products, so it suffices to show $S_n \subseteq \langle A \rangle$.

Let $\sigma \in S_n$. Since any element of S_n

is a product of disjoint cycles, wlog we can assume σ is a

single cycle. So write $\sigma = (s_1 s_2 \cdots s_m)$ where

$1 \leq m \leq n$; we want to show $\sigma = \prod \tau_{ij}$ for some collection of

τ_{ij}^s . To this end, we have

$$\underbrace{(s_1 s_2)}_{\tau_{s_1 s_2}} \underbrace{(s_1 s_3)}_{\tau_{s_1 s_3}} \cdots \underbrace{(s_1 s_m)}_{\tau_{s_1 s_m}} = \underbrace{(s_1 s_2 \cdots s_m)}_{\sigma}$$

where we just note that $s_1 = i$ for some i and

each s_k for $2 \leq k \leq m$ is some j . So each

$(s_1 s_k)$ is some $(i j)$, which is τ_{ij} . So every cycle

is a product of some collection of τ_{ij}^s as desired.

Proof of claim 2:

wlog, $1 \leq i < j < n$

Let $\tau_{ij} = (i \ j) \in \langle A \rangle$; we want to write this in terms of σ and τ . By part (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\tau \sigma \tau^{-1} &= \tau (1 \ 2) \tau^{-1} = (\tau(1) \ \tau(2)) \\ &= (2, 3) \in \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle,\end{aligned}$$

and thus inductively,

$$\gamma^{k+1} := \tau^k \sigma \tau^{-k} = (k+1 \bmod n, k+2 \bmod n) \in \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$$

In particular,

$$\gamma^i = \tau^{i-1} \sigma \tau^{-(i-1)} = (i, i+1) \in \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$$

and so

$$\underbrace{\gamma \gamma \gamma \cdots \gamma}_{i \quad i+1 \quad i+2 \quad j-1} = (i, i+1)(i+1, i+2) \cdots (j-1, j) = \underbrace{(i, j)}_{\in \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle}.$$

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3) Since G is finite and abelian, we know G factors as

$$G \cong \prod \mathbb{Z}_{p_i^{\alpha_i}}, \quad \text{where the } p_i \text{ are not necessarily distinct and each } \alpha_i \geq 1.$$

If every p_i is distinct, then we would have $i \neq j \Rightarrow \gcd(p_i^{\alpha_i}, p_j^{\alpha_j}) = 1$,

and so $\prod_k \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{\alpha_k}} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{\prod_k p_k^{\alpha_k}} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{\#G}$, which would be cyclic.

So for some i, j we must have $p_i = p_j$, and so

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_2}} \times \prod_{k \neq i, j} \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{\alpha_k}}$$

and so $H := \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_2}} \leq G$ is a subgroup.

But then, by Cauchy's theorem $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_1}}$ contains a subgroup

of order p , say $H_1 \leq \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_1}}$, and similarly there is an

$H_2 \leq \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_2}}$. But groups of prime order are cyclic, and so

$$H_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \cong H_2.$$

Since $H_1 \times H_2 \leq H := \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha_2}} \leq \prod \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{\alpha_k}} \cong G$,

we have $H_1 \times H_2 \leq G$ where $H_1 \times H_2 \cong \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$ as desired. ▀

4) Order $64 = 2^6$, and $p(6) = 11$, so

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 6 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{64} \\
 5+1 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{32} \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \\
 4+2 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{16} \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \\
 3+3 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_8 \\
 4+1+1 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{16} \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \\
 3+2+1 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \\
 2+2+2 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \\
 3+1+1+1 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^3 \\
 2+2+1+1 & \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_4)^2 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^2 \\
 2+1+1+1+1 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^4 \\
 1+1+1+1+1+1 & \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_2)^6
 \end{array}$$

Order $96 = 2^5 \cdot 3$, and $p(5)p(1) = 7 \cdot 1 = 7$

(Partition of 5, Partition of 3) Distinct abelian group

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 (5, 1) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{32} \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (4+1, 1) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{16} \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (3+2, 1) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (3+1+1, 1) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (2+2+1, 1) & \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_4)^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (2+1+1+1, 1) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2)^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \\
 (1+1+1+1+1, 1) & \longrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}_2)^5 \times \mathbb{Z}_3
 \end{array}$$

5) Claim: The map $\varphi: G/A \times A \rightarrow A$ $(gA \rightsquigarrow a)$
 $(gA, a) \mapsto gag^{-1}$
 is a well-defined group action.

1) Identity: $e \rightsquigarrow x = x$. Let $a \in A$, then

$$eA \rightsquigarrow a = eae^{-1} = a \in A. \checkmark$$

2) Composition: Let $g, h \in G \setminus A$, then

$$\begin{aligned} gA \rightsquigarrow (hA \rightsquigarrow a) &= gA \rightsquigarrow (hah^{-1}) && \text{where } A \trianglelefteq G \Rightarrow gAg^{-1} = A \\ &= g(hah^{-1})g^{-1} && \text{and } h \in G, a \in A \Rightarrow hah^{-1} \in A. \\ &= (gh)a(h^{-1}g^{-1}) \\ &= (gh)a(gh)^{-1} && \in A \text{ since } gh \in G \text{ and } A \trianglelefteq G. \\ &= (gA \cdot hA) \rightsquigarrow a && \leftarrow \text{(Binary operation on cosets)} \\ &= ghA \rightsquigarrow a. \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

3) Well-defined: Suppose $gA = hA$

Then $h^{-1}gA = A$, so $h^{-1}g \in A$. But then

$$\begin{aligned} h^{-1}gA \rightsquigarrow a &= h^{-1}ga g^{-1}h \\ &= a \\ &= eA \rightsquigarrow a \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \in A \text{ since } h^{-1}g, g^{-1}h \in A \\ \text{Since } A \text{ is abelian} \end{array}$$

6) If $Z(G)=G$, then G is abelian and we are done.

Suppose $G/Z(G)$ is cyclic. Then $G/Z(G) = \langle tZ(G) \rangle$ for some $t \in G \cap Z(G)^c$. Now let $g, h \in G \cap Z(G)^c$; we want to show $gh=hg$. Let $\pi: G \rightarrow G/Z(G)$ be the canonical projection, so $\pi(g)=gZ(G)$ and $\pi(h)=hZ(G)$.

Since $G/Z(G)$ is generated by $tZ(G)$, there exist some j, k such that

$$\begin{aligned} gZ(G) &= t^j Z(G) & \text{and} & & hZ(G) &= t^k Z(G) \\ \text{so } t^{-j} gZ(G) &\in Z(G) & & & \text{and } t^{-k} hZ(G) &\in Z(G) \end{aligned}$$

and thus there exist $c_1, c_2 \in Z(G)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} t^{-j} g &= c_1 & \Rightarrow & & g &= c_1 t^j \\ t^{-k} h &= c_2 & \Rightarrow & & h &= c_2 t^k \end{aligned}$$

But then

$$\begin{aligned} gh &= c_1 t^j c_2 t^k \\ &= c_1 c_2 t^j t^k && \text{since } c_2 \in Z(G) \\ &= c_1 c_2 t^k t^j && \text{exponents commute} \\ &= c_2 t^k c_1 t^j && \text{since } c_1 \in Z(G) \\ &= h g. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

⑦ Let $H \trianglelefteq G$ with $\#H = p^k$, where $\#G = p^n m$ for some $n \geq k$. By Sylow 1, there exists a $P \in \text{Syl}(p, G)$ where $\#P = p^n$ and $H \leq P$. Letting $P' \in \text{Syl}(p, G)$ be arbitrary, by Sylow 2, $\exists g \in G$ such that $gP g^{-1} = P'$. Then,
 $H \leq P \Rightarrow H = gHg^{-1} \leq gPg^{-1} = P'$, so $H \leq P'$. \blacksquare

⑧ By Sylow 3, Since $H \trianglelefteq G$

$$\cdot n_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \Rightarrow n_p \in \{1, p+1, 2p+1, \dots\}$$

$$\cdot n_p \mid q \Rightarrow n_p \in \{1, q\} \text{ (since } q \text{ is prime)}$$

Since $1 < q < p < p+1$, this forces $n_p = 1$.

So there is a unique $P \in \mathcal{S}_Y(p, G)$, where $P \trianglelefteq G$ and

$$[G : P] = |G/P| = |G|/|P| = p^n q / p^n = q. \quad \blacksquare$$