# Scrawlings of the MagiKarp

**Definition.** A **map**  $f: A \to B$  is a subset  $f \subset A \times B$  such that for all  $a \in A$ , there exists a  $b \in B$  such that b is unique with  $(a, b) \in f$ .

**Definition.** We write f(a) = b if  $(a, b) \in f$ . A is the **domain** of f and B is the **codomain**.

**Definition.** A **binary operation** on *A* is a map  $\star : A \times A \to A$  such that  $\star(a_1, a_2) = a_1 \star a_2$  for  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ .

**Definition.** A binary operation  $\star$  is **associative** on A if for all  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \star (b \star c) = (a \star b) \star c$ .

**Definition.** An element  $e \in A$  is an **identity** element of  $\star$  if for each  $a \in A$ ,  $e \star a = a \star e = a$ .

**Definition.** An element  $a \in A$  has an <u>inverse</u> under  $\star$  if there exists a  $b \in A$  such that  $a \star b = b \star a = e$ .

**Definition.** A set A with an associative binary operation  $\star$  is a **group** if A has an identity element under  $\star$  and every  $a \in A$  has an inverse.

## **Definition**

A group is a pair  $(G, \star)$  where G is a set and  $\star$  is a binary operation on G such that

- 1. For all  $a, b, c \in A$ ,  $a \star (b \star c) = (a \star b) \star c$ .
- 2. There exists an  $e \in G$  such that  $a \star e = e \star a = a$  for all  $a \in G$ .
- 3. For all  $a \in G$ , there exists a  $b \in G$  such that  $a \star b = b \star a = e$ .

**Definition.** A group  $(G, \star)$  is <u>abelian</u> or commutative if for all  $g, h \in G$ ,  $g \star h = h \star g$ .

## **Theorem**

Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group.

- 1. e is unique.
- 2.  $g^{-1}$  is unique.
- 3.  $\forall g \in G, (g^{-1})^{-1} = g$ .
- 4.  $\forall g, h \in G, (g \star h)^{-1} = h^{-1} \star g^{-1}.$

We may prove each part separately.

1. Suppose e, e' are identity elements. Then for all  $a \in G$ ,

$$a \star e = e \star a = a \tag{i}$$

$$a \star e' = e' \star a = a \tag{ii}$$

By (i),  $e' = e \star e'$  and by (ii),  $e = e \star e'$ . Therefore, e = e'.

2. Supposed  $a \star b = b \star a = e$ , then

$$b = b \star e$$

$$= b \star (a \star a^{-1})$$

$$= (b \star a) \star a^{-1}$$

$$= e \star a^{-1}$$

$$= a^{-1}$$

Thus,  $b = a^{-1}$ .

3. 
$$g^{-1} \star (g^{-1})^{-1} = e = g^{-1} \star g$$
. By (ii),  $g = (g^{-1})^{-1}$ .

4. Consider  $(a \star b) \star (b^{-1} \star a^{-1})$ .

$$(a \star b) \star (b^{-1} \star a^{-1}) = a \star (b \star b^{-1}) \star a^{-1}$$
$$= a \star e \star a^{-1}$$
$$= a \star a^{-1}$$
$$= e$$

Thus, 
$$(b^{-1} \star a^{-1}) = (a \star b)^{-1}$$
.

**Definition.** Let  $[n] = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ . The **symmetric group** denoted  $S_n$  of degree n is the set of all bijections on [n] under the operation of composition.

$$S_n = {\sigma : [n] \rightarrow [n] \mid \sigma \text{ is a bijection}}$$

**Definition.** The <u>order</u> of  $(G, \star)$  is the number of elements in G denoted |G|.

**Definition.** Let  $n \ge 2$ . The **dihedral group** of index n is the group of all symmetries of a regular polygon  $P_n$  with n vertices in the Euclidean plane.

Symmetries of  $P_n$  consist of rotations and reflections.

Choose a vertex v. Let  $L_0$  be the line from the center of  $P_n$  through v. Let  $L_k$  be  $L_0$  rotated by  $\frac{\pi k}{n}$  for  $1 \le k \le n$ . Let  $\sigma_k$  be a reflection about  $L_k$ . Let  $\rho_k$  be a rotation about  $\frac{2\pi k}{n}$ ,  $1 \le k \le n$ .

**Definition.** A subset  $S \subseteq G$  of a group  $(G, \star)$  is a set of **generators**, denoted  $\langle S \rangle = G$ , if and only if every element of G can be written as a product of elements of S and their inverses.

**Definition.** Any equation satisfied by generators is called a <u>relation</u>.

**Definition.** A **presentation** of G, denoted  $\langle S \mid R \rangle$ , is a set of generators of G and relations such that any other relation can be derived by those given.

# Example.

$$D_{2n} = \langle r, s \mid r^n = s^2 = 1, rs = sr^{-1} \rangle$$

**Definition.** The cycles  $\sigma = (\sigma_1 \, \sigma_2 \, \dots \, \sigma_n)$  and  $\tau = (\tau_1 \, \tau_2 \, \dots \, \tau_n)$  are **disjoint** if  $\sigma_i \neq \tau_j$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

**Definition.** A cycle of length 2 is called a **transposition**.

**Definition.** An expression of the form  $(a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_m)$  is called a **cycle of length m** or an **m-cycle**.

**Proposition.** Let  $\alpha = (a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_m)$  and  $\beta = (b_1 \ b_2 \ \dots \ b_n)$ . If  $a_i \neq b_j$  for any i, j, then  $\alpha \beta = \beta \alpha$ .

Proposition. Every permutation can be written as a product of disjoint cycles.

Proposition. A cycle of length n has order n.

**Proposition.** Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n$  be disjoint cycles. Then,

$$|\alpha_1\alpha_2...\alpha_n| = \text{lcm}(|\alpha_1|, |\alpha_2|, ..., |\alpha_n|)$$

Proposition. Every permutation is  $S_n$  is a product of 2-cycles (which are not necessarily disjoint).

**Proposition.** If  $\alpha = \beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_r = \gamma_1 \gamma_2 \dots \gamma_s$  where  $\beta_i, \gamma_j$  are transpositions, then r and s have the same parity.

**Definition.** If r and s are both odd,  $\alpha$  is called an **odd permutation**. If r and s are both even,  $\alpha$  is called an **even permutation**.

**Definition.** The set of even permutations in  $S_n$  form a group called the <u>alternating group</u>, denoted  $A_n$ .

**Note.**  $|A_n| = \frac{n!}{2}$  for n > 1.

#### **Definition**

Let  $(G, \star)$  and (G', \*) be groups. A map of sets  $\varphi : G \to G'$  is a **group homomorphism** if for all  $a, b \in G$ ,

$$\varphi(a \star b) = \varphi(a) * \varphi(b)$$

**Example.** The following are two very simple examples of homomorphisms.

Trivial Homomorphism

$$\varphi: G \to G', \varphi(g) = e, \forall g \in G$$

**Identity Homomorphism** 

$$\varphi: G \to G', \varphi(g) = g, \forall g \in G$$

**Definition.** If  $\varphi : G \to G'$  is a homomorphism, the **domain** of  $\varphi$  is  $Dom(\varphi) = G$ , the **codomain** of  $\varphi$  is  $Codom(\varphi) = G'$ , the **range** or **image** of  $\varphi$  is  $\varphi(G) = \{\varphi(g) : g \in G\} \subseteq G'$  denoted  $Range(\varphi)$  or  $Im(\varphi)$ .

#### **Definition**

A homomorphism which is bijective is called an **isomorphism**.

 $\varphi: G \to G'$  is an isomorphism if and only if there exists  $\psi: G' \to G$  such that  $\psi$  is a homomorphism and  $\varphi \circ \psi = 1_{G'}$ ,  $\psi \circ \varphi = 1_{G}$ , i.e.  $\psi$  is an inverse homomorphism to  $\varphi$ . We say G is isomorphic to G' by  $G \cong G'$  or  $\varphi: G \xrightarrow{\sim} G'$ .

## **Definition**

Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group. A subset  $H \subseteq G$  is a **subgroup** if  $(H, \star)$  is also a group.

If  $H \neq \emptyset$  and  $H \subseteq G$ ,  $H \leq G$  or H is a subgroup of G if and only if

- 1. *H* is closed under  $\star$  ( $\forall h_1, h_2 \in H, h_1 \star h_2 \in H$ ).
- 2. *H* is closed under inverses  $(h \in H \Rightarrow h^{-1} \in H)$ .

**Note.** The following is notation for arbitrary and abelian groups.

$$x \star y \rightarrow xy$$
 for arbitrary  $G$ ,  $x + y$  for abelian  $G$   $e \rightarrow 1$  for arbitrary  $G$ ,  $0$  for abelian  $G$ 

For an arbitrary subset  $A \subseteq G$ , and  $g \in G$ ,

$$gA = \{ga : a \in A\}$$
  $Ag = \{ag : a \in A\}$   $gAg^{-1} = \{gag^{-1} : a \in A\}$ 

# **Theorem** (Subgroup Criterion)

Let  $\emptyset \neq H \subseteq G$ ,  $H \leq G$  if and only if  $\forall x, y \in H$ ,  $xy^{-1} \in H$ .

**Definition.** Let  $A \subseteq G$  be any subset. The <u>centralizer</u> of A in G is  $C_G(A) = \{g \in G : gag^{-1} = a\}$  and it is the set of elements in G which commute with all elements of A.

Proposition. 
$$C_G(A) \leq G$$

**Proof.** First we show that the centralizer is not empty. 1a = a1 = a,  $\forall a \in A \Rightarrow 1 \in C_G(A) \Rightarrow C_G(A) \neq 0$  so the centralizer of A is not empty. Let  $x, y \in C_G(A)$ . We want to show that  $xy^{-1} \in C_G(A)$  or that  $xy^{-1} \in C_G(A)$ . We do this by showing that  $(xy^{-1}) a (xy^{-1})^{-1} = a$ .

$$(xy^{-1}) a (xy^{-1})^{-1} = xy^{-1}ayx^{-1}$$

$$= x (y^{-1}ay) x^{-1}$$

$$= xax^{-1} \qquad (y \in C_G(A))$$

$$= a \qquad (x \in C_G(A))$$

Since this subset satisfies the Subgroup Criterion, the centralizer  $C_G(A)$  is a subgroup of G.

**Definition.** The <u>center</u> of a group G is denoted  $Z(G) = \{g \in G : gx = xg, \forall x \in G\}$ .  $Z(G) = C_G(G) \leq G$ . Z(G) is the set of elements of G which commute with all elements in G. If G is abelian, Z(G) = G.

**Definition.** The <u>normalizer</u> of A in G is  $N_G(A) = \{g \in G : gAg^{-1} = A\}$  or  $\{g \in G : gag^{-1} = a' \in A\}$ .

Proposition.  $C_G(A) \leq N_G(A) \leq G$ 

**Definition.** A **group action** of a group G on a set A is a map  $G \times A \to A$  such that  $(g_1g_2) \cdot a = g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot a), \forall g_1, g_2 \in G, \forall a \in A \text{ and } 1 \cdot a = a, \forall a \in A.$  It is denoted  $G \circlearrowleft A$ .

**Definition.** Suppose  $G \circlearrowleft A$ , the stabilizer of  $a \in A$  in G is  $G_a = \{g \in G : g \cdot a = a\}$ .  $G_a \leq G$ .

## **Definition**

An **equivalence relation**  $\mathcal{E}$  on a set S is a subset  $\mathcal{E} \subseteq S \times S$  which is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive. We write  $(a,b) \in \mathcal{E} \Leftrightarrow a \mathcal{E} b$  or  $a \sim b$ .

- 1.  $a \sim a$
- 2.  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow b \sim a$
- 3.  $a \sim b$ ,  $b \sim c \Rightarrow a \sim c$

**Definition.** The **equivalence class** of  $a \in S$  is  $[a] = \{b \in S : a \sim b\}$ 

**Definition.** The **quotient set** of *S* under  $\sim$  is  $S/\sim=\{[a]: a \in S\}$ .

**Example.**  $\mathbb{Q} = \{(a,b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} : b \neq 0\} / \sim, (a,b) \sim (c,d) \Rightarrow ad = bc.$ 

**Definition.** The quotient set comes equipped with the **projection map**  $\pi: S \to S/\sim$  where  $a \mapsto [a] = \pi(a)$ . This map is surjective by definition.

#### **Definition**

A group G' is a **quotient group** of a group G if

- 1.  $G' = G/\sim$ , G' is the quotient set of G under an equivalence relation  $\sim$ .
- 2. The projection map  $\pi:G\to G'=G/\sim$  is a group homomorphism.

**Definition.** Let  $\varphi : G \to G'$  be a homomorphism and let  $g' \in G'$ . The <u>fiber</u> over g' is  $\varphi^{-1}(g') = \{g \in G : \varphi(g) = g'\}$ .

# **Proposition**

All quotient groups come from subgroups.

Let  $\varphi: G \to G'$  be a homomorphism, then  $\varphi$  induces an equivalence relation on G. Let  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$ . But  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism, so  $\varphi(x) = \varphi(y) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \varphi(y)^{-1} = 1_{G'} \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) \varphi(y^{-1}) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(xy^{-1}) = 1$ . So  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow \varphi(xy^{-1}) = 1$ . Let  $K = \{g \in G : \varphi(g) = 1\}$ . Then  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow xy^{-1} \in K$ . Recall  $K = \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi) \leq G$ .

Let G' be a quotient group of G. Then  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow [x] = [y] \Leftrightarrow \pi(x) = \pi(y)$  where  $\pi: G \to G'$  is the projection. But  $\pi(x) = \pi(y) \Leftrightarrow xy^{-1} \in \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ .

**Definition.** The **right coset** of a subgroup H of a group G by the element  $x \in G$  is  $Hx = \{hx : h \in H\}$ . The **left coset**, denoted xH is denoted similarly.

**Proposition.** Let  $\varphi : G \to G'$  be a homomorphism and  $K = \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ . Then  $xKx^{-1} \subseteq K$ ,  $\forall x \in G$ .

**Proof.** We must show  $\varphi(xkx^{-1}) = 1_{G'}$  for  $x \in G$ ,  $k \in K$ . Then,  $\varphi(xkx^{-1}) = \varphi(x)\varphi(k)\varphi(x^{-1}) = \varphi(x)\varphi(x)^{-1} = 1_{G'}$ .

## **Definition**

The subgroup  $N \le G$  is <u>normal</u> if  $xNx^{-1} \subseteq N$  for all  $x \in G$ . It is denoted  $N \le G$ .

**Proposition.** Ker( $\varphi$ )  $\subseteq$  G for any homomorphism  $\varphi$  :  $G \to G'$ .

## **Theorem**

Let  $N \leq G$ . Then the following are equivalent.

- 1.  $N \subseteq G$  ( $xNx^{-1} \subseteq N$ ,  $\forall x \in G$ )
- 2.  $xNx^{-1} = N$
- 3. xN = Nx
- 4.  $\forall x, y \in G, xy^{-1} \in N \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in N$

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) Assume  $\forall x \in G$ ,  $xNx^{-1} \subseteq N$ . We want to show  $xNx^{-1} = N$ . We do this by showing  $N \subseteq xNx^{-1}$ . Let  $x \in G$ ,  $n_0 \in N$ . We show  $n_0 \in xNx^{-1}$ . Note that  $x \in G \Rightarrow x^{-1} \in G$ . Thus,  $x^{-1}N\left(x^{-1}\right)^{-1} \subseteq N$  since  $N \subseteq G$ . Thus there exists n such that  $x^{-1}nx = n_1 \in N$ .  $n_0 = x\left(x^{-1}n_0x\right)x^{-1} = xn_1x^{-1} \in xNx^{-1}$ .

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (4) Assume  $\forall x \in G$ , xN = Nx. Let  $x, y \in G$ . We want to show  $xy^{-1} \in N \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in N$ . So we must show this is true in both directions. Suppose  $xy^{-1} \in N$ . Then there exists an  $n_1 \in N$  such that  $xy^{-1} = n_1$ . Thus,  $x = n_1y \in Ny = yN$  by assumption. So  $x \in yN$ . Thus there exists  $n_2 \in N$  such that  $x = yn_2 \Rightarrow y^{-1}x = n_2 \in N$ . Thus,  $xy^{-1} \in N \Rightarrow y^{-1}x \in N$ . Similarly,  $y^{-1}x \in N \Rightarrow xy^{-1} \in N$ .

**Proposition.** Let  $H \leq G$ . Then,  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in H$  is an equivalence relation on G.

**Proof.** We want to show  $\sim$  is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

1. 
$$x \sim x$$
:  $x^{-1}x = 1 \in H$ 

2. 
$$x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$$
:  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in H \Rightarrow x^{-1}y \in H \Leftrightarrow y \sim x$ 

3. 
$$x \sim y, y \sim z \Rightarrow x \sim z$$
:  $y^{-1}x \in H, z^{-1}y \in H \Rightarrow (z^{-1}y)(y^{-1}x) = z^{-1}x \in H \Leftrightarrow x \sim z$ 

Thus,  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on G.

Any subgroup gives an equivalence relation.

**Definition.** An equivalence relation on a set S is the same as a **partition** of S.  $P = \{A_1, A_2, \ldots\}$ ,  $A_i \subseteq S$  such that  $S \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i$ ,  $A_i \cap A_i = \emptyset$ ,  $i \neq j$ .  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow a, b \in A_i$ .

**Proposition.** For  $H \le G$ ,  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in H \Leftrightarrow xH = yH$  (Hx = Hy).

**Proof.** Suppose  $y^{-1}x \in H$ . We want to show that xH = yH or  $xH \subseteq yH$  and  $yH \subseteq xH$ .  $y^{-1}x \in H$  implies that there exists a  $h_1 \in H$  such that  $y^{-1}x = h_1$ . Thus,  $x = yh_1 \Rightarrow x \in yH$ .  $y^{-1}x \in H \Leftrightarrow x^{-1}y \in H$  which implies that there exists a  $h_2 \in H$  such that  $x^{-1}y = h_2 \Rightarrow y = xh_2 \in xH$ .

**Note.** [x] = xH.

**Proposition.** For  $N \le G$ , let  $G/N = \{xN : x \in G\}$ . Define  $xN \cdot yN = (xy)N$ . Then G/N is a group if and only if  $N \triangleleft G$ .

$$G/N = G/\sim (x \sim y \Leftrightarrow xN = yN)$$

Every quotient group is G/N for some N.

$$\pi: G \to G/\sim$$
,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\pi) \subseteq G$ ,  $G/\sim = G/\operatorname{Ker}(\pi)$ .

**Proposition.** If  $H \leq G$  and G is abelian, then  $H \subseteq G$ .

If G is a group and  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on G, then the quotient set  $G/\sim$  is a quotient group if and only if the projection map  $\pi: G \to G/\sim$ ,  $\pi(x) = [x]$  is a homomorphism.

If  $N \triangleleft G$ , then G/N is a quotient group, where  $G/N = \{xN : x \in G\}$  and  $xN \cdot yN = (xy)N$ .

These notions of quotient groups are equivalent.

Proposition. If  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation and  $G/\sim$  is a quotient group, then there exists a homomorphism  $\pi: G \to G/\sim$  and  $Ker(\pi) \subseteq G$ .

**Proof.** 
$$x \sim y \Leftrightarrow \pi(x) = \pi(y) \Leftrightarrow \pi(y^{-1}x) = 1 \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in \text{Ker}(\pi) \Leftrightarrow x\text{Ker}(\pi) = y\text{Ker}(\pi).$$

If  $N \subseteq G$ , define  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow xN = yN \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in N$ . Then,  $G/\sim = G/N$ , [x] = xN,  $\pi: G \to G/N$ ,  $\pi(x) = xN$ ,  $\operatorname{Ker}(\pi) = N$ .

Proposition. Every subgroup of an abelian group is a normal subgroup.

**Definition.** 
$$S^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$
,  $S^n = \{(x_1, x_2, ..., x_{n+1}) : \sum x_i^2 = 1\}$ 

For  $H \leq G$ , the relation  $x \sim y \Leftrightarrow xH = yH \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in H$  is an equivalence relation and thus partitions *G* into equivalence classes.

$$G = \bigcup_{x \in G} [x], [x] \cap [y] = \emptyset, [x] \neq [y]$$

$$G = \bigcup_{x \in G} xH, xH \cap yH = \emptyset, x \nsim y$$

$$G = \bigcup_{x \in G} xH, xH \cap yH = \emptyset, x \nsim y$$

Proposition. Let  $H \leq G$ . The number of right cosets of H equals the number of left cosets of H.

**Proof.** Let  $R = \{Hx : x \in G\}$  and  $L = \{xH : x \in G\}$ . We construct a bijection  $L \to R$ . Define  $f: R \to L$  by  $f(Hx) = x^{-1}H$ , and define  $g: L \to R$  by  $g(xH) = Hx^{-1}$ . Then f and g are mutually inverse. Hence  $R \leftrightarrow L$ .

**Definition.** The number of distinct left cosets of H in G is called the **index** of H in G, and is denoted [G:H].

## **Theorem** (Lagrange's Theorem)

If *H* is a subgroup of G, |G| = |H|[G:H].

Corollary. In a finite group, the order of every element divides the order of the group.

Corollary. A group of prime order is cyclic.

**Corollary.** Let *G* be a finite group and let  $a \in G$ . Then,  $a^{|G|} = 1$ .

Let  $\varphi: G \to G'$  be a homomorphism. How far is  $\varphi$  from an isomorphism? How can  $\varphi$  fail to be an isomorphism?

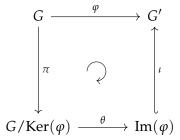
- 1.  $\varphi$  could fail to be injective. (Ker( $\varphi$ )  $\neq$  {1})
- 2.  $\varphi$  could fail to be surjective.

# **Theorem** (First Isomorphism Theorem)

Let  $\varphi : G \to G'$  be a homomorphism. Then  $Ker(\varphi) \subseteq G$ ,  $Im(\varphi) \subseteq G'$  and

$$G/\operatorname{Ker}(\varphi) \cong \operatorname{Im}(\varphi)$$

**Proposition.** There exists an isomorphism  $\theta : G/\text{Ker}(\varphi) \to \text{Im}(\varphi)$  such that



The curved arrow in the middle means the diagram is commutative, i.e.  $\varphi = \iota \cdot \theta \cdot \pi$ . The curved arrow means it is injective.

**Proof.** Define 
$$\theta : G/\text{Ker}(\varphi) \to \text{Im}(\varphi)$$
 by  $\theta(x\text{Ker}(\varphi)) = \varphi(x)$ .

First we show that  $\theta$  is well-defined. Suppose  $x \text{Ker}(\varphi) = y \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ . Then,

$$x \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi) = y \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi) \Leftrightarrow y^{-1} x \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi) = \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y^{-1} x \in \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(y^{-1} x) = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(y)^{-1} \varphi(x) = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) = \varphi(y)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \theta(x \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi)) = \theta(y \operatorname{Ker}(\varphi))$$

Thus,  $\theta$  is well-defined.

Then, we show that  $\theta$  is a homomorphism. Let  $K = \text{Ker}(\varphi)$ .

$$\theta(xKyK) = \theta(xyK)$$

$$= \varphi(xy)$$

$$= \varphi(x)\varphi(y)$$

$$= \theta(xK)\theta(yK)$$

Thus,  $\theta$  is a homomorphism.

Then, we show that  $\theta$  is injective.

$$\begin{split} \theta(xK) &= \theta(yK) \Leftrightarrow \varphi(x) = \varphi(y) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \varphi(y)^{-1} \varphi(x) = 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow \varphi(y^{-1}x) = 1 \\ &\Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in K \\ &\Leftrightarrow xK = yK \end{split}$$

Thus,  $\theta$  is injective.

Then, we show that  $\theta$  is surjective. Let  $y \in \text{Im}(\varphi)$ . There exists  $xK \in G/K$  such that  $\theta(xK) = y$ . We know there exists an  $x \in G$  such that  $\varphi(x) = y$ .  $\theta(xK) = \varphi(x) = y$ . Thus,  $\theta$  is surjective and  $\theta$  is an isomorphism.

**Proposition.** Let  $a \in G$ . If  $|a| = \infty$ , then  $\langle a \rangle \cong (\mathbb{Z}, +)$ . If |a| = n, then  $\langle a \rangle = \mathbb{Z}_n = \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Proof.** Consider  $\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\pi} G$  defined by  $\pi(k) = a^k$ .

**Definition.** Let  $(A, \star)$  and (B, \*) be groups. The <u>direct product</u> or <u>direct sum</u> of A and B is  $A \oplus B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$  where  $(a_1, b_1) \cdot (a_2, b_2) = (a_1 \star a_2, b_1 * b_2) \in A \oplus B$ .

**Definition.** In a group G, define  $a \sim b \Leftrightarrow \exists x \in G$  such that  $b = xax^{-1}$ . This is an equivalence relation and a and b are **conjugates**.

**Definition.** For any  $x \in G$ , the <u>inner automorphism</u> of G induced by x is  $T_x : G \to G$  defined by  $T_x(g) = xgx^{-1}$ .

**Definition.** The set of all inner automorphisms of *G* is a group, called the <u>inner automorphism group</u>, and is denoted  $Inn(G) = \{T_x : G \to G \mid x \in G\}$ .

Proposition.  $G/Z(G) \cong Inn(G)$ 

**Proof.** Consider  $\psi : G \to \text{Inn}(G)$  defined by  $x \mapsto T_x$ . Then,  $\psi$  is surjective, i.e.  $\text{Im}(\psi) = \text{Inn}(G)$ . We then determine the kernel of the homomorphism.

$$Ker(\psi) = \{x \in G : \psi(x) = 1_G\}$$

$$= \{x \in G : T_x(g) = g, \forall g \in G\}$$

$$= \{x \in G : xgx^{-1} = g, \forall g \in G\}$$

$$= \{x \in G : xg = gx, \forall g \in G\}$$

$$= Z(G)$$

By the first isomorphism theorem,  $G/Z(G) \cong Inn(G)$ .

# **Theorem** (Third Isomorphism Theorem)

Let *G* be a group. Let  $A \subseteq G$ ,  $B \subseteq G$ . If  $A \subseteq B$ , then  $A \subseteq B$ ,  $B/A \subseteq G/A$ , and

$$(G/A)/(B/A) \cong (G/B)$$

First we establish  $A \subseteq B$ .  $A \subseteq B$  because  $A \subseteq G$  and  $A \subseteq B$ .

$$A \triangleleft B \Leftrightarrow bAb^{-1} \subseteq A, \forall b \in B$$

$$A \triangleleft G \Leftrightarrow xAx^{-1} \subseteq A, \ \forall x \in G$$

But  $B \subseteq G$  so  $b \in G$ . Thus,  $bAb^{-1} \subseteq A$ ,  $\forall b \in B$  and  $A \subseteq B$ . Thus,  $A \subseteq B$  and we may construct B/A.

We first show  $B/A \le G/A$ . It is closed under multiplication since  $(b_1A)(b_2A) = (b_1b_2)A \in B/A$  because B is a group. It is also closed under inverses since  $(bA)^{-1} = b^{-1}A \in B/A$ .

We then show  $B/A \subseteq G/A$  by showing  $x(B/A)x^{-1} \subseteq B/A$ ,  $\forall x \in G/A$ . Let  $x \in G/A \Leftrightarrow yA$ ,  $y \in G$ . We want to show  $(yA)(B/A)(yA)^{-1} \subseteq B/A$ . Let  $z \in (yA)(B/A)(yA)^{-1}$ . Then, there exist  $a_1, a_2 \in A$ ,  $b_1 \in B$  such that

$$z = (ya_1)(b_1A)(y^{-1}a_2)$$
  
=  $y(a_1b_1)Ay^{-1}a_2$   
=  $y(a_1b_1)y^{-1}Aa_2$ 

We know  $a_2 \in A \Rightarrow Aa_2 = A$  and  $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow a_1 \in A \subseteq B \Rightarrow a_1 \in A \Rightarrow a_1b_1 \in B$ . Thus, there exists  $b_2 \in B$  such that  $a_1b_1 = b_2$ . We substitute these in to get

$$z = yb_2y^{-1}A$$

We know  $B \subseteq G \Rightarrow yBy^{-1} \subseteq B$ . Thus, there exists a  $b_3 \in B$  such that  $yb_2y^{-1} = b_3 \in B$ . We then get  $z = b_3A$ . Since  $z = b_3A \in B/A$ ,  $B/A \subseteq G/A$ .

Now we prove  $(G/A)/(B/A) \cong (G/B)$ . We define the homomorphism  $\omega : G/A \to B/A$  such that  $\omega(xA) = xB$ . We show that  $\omega$  is well-defined. If xA = yA, then

$$xA = yA \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x \in A \subseteq B$$
$$\Rightarrow y^{-1}x \in B$$
$$\Leftrightarrow xB = yB$$
$$\Leftrightarrow \omega(xA) = \omega(yA)$$

We may then determine the kernel and image of the homomorphism.

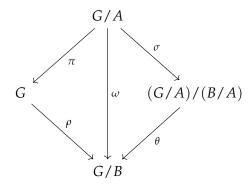
$$Im(\omega) = \{xB : x \in G\} = G/B$$

$$Ker(\omega) = \{xA : \omega(xA) = B\} = \{xA : xB = B\} = \{xA : x \in B\} = B/A$$

By the first isomorphism theorem,  $(G/A)/\mathrm{Ker}(\omega) \cong \mathrm{Im}(\omega)$  so  $(G/A)/(B/A) \cong (G/B)$ .

**Proposition.** There is an isomorphism  $\theta: (G/A)/(B/A) \to G/B$  such that this diagram com-

mutes.



# **Theorem** (Second Isomorphism Theorem)

Let *G* be a group,  $A \subseteq G$ , and  $N \subseteq G$ . Then  $AN \subseteq G$ ,  $N \subseteq AN$ , and  $A \cap N \subseteq A$ . Also,

$$(AN)/N \cong A/(A \cap N)$$

#### **Proof**

Let  $\varphi: A \to AN/N$  such that  $a \mapsto aN$ . Then by the first isomorphism theorem,  $(AN)/N \cong A/(A \cap N)$ .

**Example.** We look at an example of the third isomorphism theorem. Let  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $A = 12\mathbb{Z}$ , and  $B = 4\mathbb{Z}$ . We observe that  $A \subseteq B \subseteq G$  so the conditions for the third isomorphism theorem are satisfied.

$$G/A = \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 1, ..., 11\} \pmod{12}$$
 $B/A = 4\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 4, 8\} \pmod{12}$ 
 $(G/A)/(B/A) = \{0, 1, 2, 3\} \pmod{4} = \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ 
 $(\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z})/(4\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ 

**Example.** We look at an example of the second isomorphism theorem. Let  $G = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $N = 12\mathbb{Z}$ , and  $A = 8\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$A \cap N = \{0, (2) \, 4, (4) \, 8, \ldots\} = 24\mathbb{Z}$$
 $AN = \{0, (4), (8), \ldots\} = 4\mathbb{Z}$ 
 $AN/A = 4\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 4, 8\} \pmod{12}$ 
 $A/(A \cap N) = 8\mathbb{Z}/24\mathbb{Z} = \{0, 8, 16\} \pmod{24}$ 
 $AN/N \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \cong A/(A \cap N)$