

Assignment 7

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$$1.(i) Z(G) = \{ z \in G : zg = gz \text{ for } g \in G \}$$

for $z \in Z(G)$ and $g \in G$,

$$zg = gz \Rightarrow g^{-1}zg = z \in Z(G) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{for } g \in G \\ z \in Z(G) \end{matrix}$$

$\Rightarrow Z(G)$ is a normal subgroup of G .

Elements of the quotient group $G/Z(G)$ are of the form $Z(G)g$, $g \in G$.

$$(ii) [G, G] = \langle ab^{-1}a^{-1}b : a, b \in G \rangle$$

= subgroup of G generated by elts of the form $ab^{-1}a^{-1}b$ for $a, b \in G$.

To show: $[G, G]$ is a normal subgroup of G , it is sufficient to prove that for $a, b \in G$, and any $g \in G$,

$$g^{-1}ab^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1}g \in [G, G]$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} gab^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1} &= gag^{-1}g^{-1}b^{-1}g^{-1}a^{-1}(g^{-1}g)g^{-1} \\ &= (gag^{-1})(gb^{-1}g^{-1})(ga^{-1}g^{-1})(gb^{-1}g^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

By closure in G , for $a, g, b \in G$,

$$A = gag^{-1}, B = gb^{-1}g^{-1} \text{ and } g^{-1}a^{-1}g^{-1} = (g^{-1}a^{-1}g^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$gb^{-1}g^{-1} = (gb^{-1}g^{-1})^{-1}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \therefore gaba^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1}g^{-1} \\ & = ABA^{-1}B^{-1} \in [G, G]. \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore [G, G]$ is normal in G .

Claim: $\frac{G}{[G, G]}$ is abelian.

Be~~s~~ Any elt of $G/[G, G]$ is a $[G, G]$.

Consider $a[G, G] \cdot b[G, G]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= ab[G, G] \quad (\because [G, G] \trianglelefteq G) \\ &\stackrel{\cancel{ab^{-1}}}{=} (ba)(ba)^{-1}(ab)[G, G] \\ &\stackrel{\text{cancel } ba}{=} (ba)(a^{-1}b^{-1})(ab)[G, G] \\ &= ba(a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G] \quad \text{--- (*)} \end{aligned}$$

Note $a^{-1}b^{-1}ab \in [G, G]$

$$\therefore (a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G] = [G, G].$$

From (*) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & a[G, G] \cdot b[G, G] = (ba)(a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G] \\ &= (ba)[G, G] \\ &= b[G, G] \cdot a[G, G] \\ & \quad (\because [G, G] \trianglelefteq G). \end{aligned}$$

This proves that the quotient group $G/[G, G]$ is abelian.

2. (i) Suppose K is normal in G and K is
a subgroup of a normal subgroup N of G . ③

Then K is normal in N .

This is clear, since $K \trianglelefteq G \therefore gkg^{-1} \in K$
for all $g \in G, k \in K$.

In particular for $n \in N$ and $k \in K$, $nk^{-1}k \in K$.
which implies that K is normal in N .

However if K is normal in N , and N is
normal in G then K need not be normal in G .
for example)

$$N = \{(12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(32), e\}$$

is a normal subgp of $G = S_n$, and

$$K = \{e, (12)(34)\} \text{ is a normal subgp of } N,$$

But K is not a normal subgroup of S_n .

Check that

$$(13)K = \{(13), (1234)\}$$

$$K(13) = \{(13), (1432)\} \Rightarrow K(13) \neq (13)K$$

Hence K is not
a normal subgp of
 $G = S_n$.

2(ii). Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G/N$ be the natural map ④

$$\phi(g) = Ng.$$

claim: ϕ is onto group homomorphism.

Any elt of G/N is of the form Ng for $g \in G$.

\therefore by definition ϕ is onto.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \phi(g_1 g_2) &= Ng_1 g_2 \\ &= Ng_1 Ng_2 \quad (\because N \trianglelefteq G) \\ &= \phi(g_1) \phi(g_2). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that ϕ is an gp homomorphism.

$$\text{Kernel } \phi = \{g \in G \mid \phi(g) = e_{G/N}\}$$

The identity element of G/N is N .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \phi(g) = e_{G/N} &\Rightarrow \phi(g) = N \\ &\Rightarrow Ng = N \Rightarrow g \in N. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ker } \phi \subseteq N.$$

On the other hand if $n \in N$, $\phi(n) = Nn = N$.
 $\Rightarrow N \subseteq \text{Ker } \phi$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ker } \phi = N.$$

2(iii). Let $K \trianglelefteq G$, $N \trianglelefteq G$ and let

$\phi: G/K \rightarrow G/N$ be the natural

gp homomorphism given by

$$\phi(Kg) = Ng, \quad \forall g \in G.$$

for $k \in K$, $Kk = k =$ identity element of G/K , (5)

and under the gp homomorphism

$$\phi(k) = \phi(k) = e_{G/N} = N. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{also } \phi(k) = Nk \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(1) and (2) together imply that

$$Nk = N \quad \forall k \in K$$

$$\Rightarrow k \in N \quad \text{i.e. } K \subseteq N.$$

2 iv. Let K be a subgp of G . $N \trianglelefteq G$ (normal subgroup of G)

claim: $NK = \{nk : n \in N, k \in K\}$ is a subgp of G .

To prove NK is a subgp of G , it suffices
to show that if $n_1k_1, n_2k_2 \in NK$, then

$$n_1k_1(n_2k_2)^{-1} \in NK.$$

$$\text{But } n_1k_1(n_2k_2)^{-1} = n_1k_1k_2^{-1}n_2^{-1}.$$

$\therefore N$ is normal in G , \therefore for $k_1, k_2^{-1} \in G$,

$$(k_1k_2^{-1})N = N(k_1k_2^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n' \in N \text{ s.t. } k_1k_2^{-1}n_2^{-1} \in k_1k_2^{-1}N$$

$$n'k_1k_2^{-1} \in Nk_1k_2^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (n_1k_1)(n_2k_2)^{-1} = n_1n'k_1k_2^{-1} \in NK \quad (\because n_1, n' \in N, k_1, k_2 \in K)$$

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3. G -group, $x \in G$, fixed element.

Let $\phi_x: G \rightarrow G$ be defined by
 $g \mapsto xgx^{-1}$.

Claim: ϕ_x is a group homomorphism.

let $g_1, g_2 \in G$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_x(g_1, g_2) &= x g_1 g_2 x^{-1} \\ &= (x g_1)(e)(g_2 x^{-1}) \\ &= (x g_1)(x^{-1})(g_2 x^{-1}) \\ &= (x g_1 x^{-1})(x g_2 x^{-1}) \\ &= \phi_x(g_1) \phi_x(g_2).\end{aligned}$$

Hence ϕ_x is a group homomorphism.

Let $g \in \text{Ker } \phi_x$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_x(g) = e \Rightarrow xgx^{-1} = e \quad \text{---(1)}$$

Premultiply ---(1) by x^{-1} and postmultiply by x we get

$$(x^{-1})(xgx^{-1})(x) = x^{-1} \cdot ex$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^{-1}x)g(x^{-1}x) = x^{-1}x = e$$

$$\Rightarrow g = e \quad \therefore \text{Ker } \phi_x = \{e\}.$$

This shows that the group homomorphism ϕ_x is injective.

Let $y \in G$ be an arbitrary element.

Then observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_x(x^{-1}yx) &= x(x^{-1}yx)x^{-1} \\ &= (x x^{-1})y(x x^{-1}) = y.\end{aligned}$$

\therefore for every $y \in G$, $x^{-1}yx \in G$ is s.t

$\phi_x(x^{-1}yx) = y$ which shows that ϕ_x is onto.

Hence $\phi_x: G \rightarrow G$ is a one-onto, onto group

homomorphism from $G \rightarrow G$. i.e ϕ_x is an

isomorphism. (An isomorphism $\phi: G \rightarrow G$ from G to itself is called an automorphism of G .)

4(i). G - group, let $L_x: G \rightarrow G$ be defined
by $L_x(g) = xg$.

let $g_1, g_2 \in G$, then

$$\begin{aligned}L_x(g_1g_2) &= xg_1g_2 = (xg_1)g_2 \\ &\neq L_x(g_1)L_x(g_2) \\ &= xg_1(xg_2).\end{aligned}$$

Hence L_x is not a group homomorphism. —③

Let $y \in G$ be an arbitrary element.

$$\text{Then } L_x(x^{-1}y) = x(x^{-1}y) = (xx^{-1})y \\ = y.$$

Hence L_x is an onto map. —①

$$\text{Let } L_x(g_1) = L_x(g_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow xg_1 = xg_2 \quad \text{—②}$$

Premultiplying both sides of ② by x^{-1} we get

$$x^{-1}(xg_1) = x^{-1}(xg_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^{-1}x)g_1 = (x^{-1}x)g_2$$

$$\Rightarrow e \cdot g_1 = e \cdot g_2 \Rightarrow g_1 = g_2$$

This shows that L_x is a one-one map. —③

From ① and ③ we conclude that L_x is a bijection.

(ii) Let $\mathbb{L}_G = \{L_x : x \in G\}$

Claim: \mathbb{L}_G is a group wrt composition of maps.

Let $L_{x_1}, L_{x_2} \in \mathbb{L}_G$. ~~closed under~~

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Then for any $y \in G$,

$$L_{x_1} \cdot L_{x_2}(y) = L_{x_1}(x_2 y) = (x_1 x_2) y$$

$$\therefore \text{for } x_1, x_2 \in G, x_1 x_2 \in G \quad = L_{x_1 x_2}(y).$$

$\therefore L_{x_1 x_2} \in \mathbb{L}_G$. This shows that \mathbb{L}_G is closed under composition of maps.

* Using associativity in G it is easy to check that for $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{x_1} \cdot (L_{x_2} \cdot L_{x_3})(y) &= L_{x_1}(x_2 x_3 y) \\ &= x_1(x_2 x_3) y \\ &= (x_1 x_2) x_3 y \\ &= L_{x_1 x_2}(L_{x_3} y) \\ &= (L_{x_1} \cdot L_{x_2}) L_{x_3}(y) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (\mathbb{L}_G)$ is associative.

For $x \in G$, consider $L_{x^{-1}} \in \mathbb{L}_G$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Clearly } L_x \cdot L_{x^{-1}}(y) &= x x^{-1}(y) \\ &= e \cdot y = y = (x^{-1} x)y \\ &= L_{x^{-1}} L_x(y) \end{aligned}$$

$\forall y \in G$

$$\Rightarrow L_x \cdot L_{x^{-1}} = L_{x^{-1}} \cdot L_x = I_{\mathbb{L}_G} = I_G.$$

$$\begin{aligned} L_e \cdot L_x(fy) &= L_e(xy) = e \cdot xy \\ &= x \cdot ey = xy = L_x(fy) \\ &= L_x \cdot L_e(fy). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

$$\therefore L_e \cdot L_x = L_x = L_x \cdot L_e \quad \forall x \in G.$$

This shows that \mathbb{L}_G is a gp wrt composition of maps.

Let $L : G \longrightarrow \mathbb{L}_G$ we defined by
 $g \mapsto L_g.$

~~Show~~ Then for $g_1, g_2 \in G,$

$$\begin{aligned} L(g_1g_2) &= L_{g_1g_2} = L_{g_1}L_{g_2} \quad (\text{by previous calc}) \\ &= L(g_1)L(g_2) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore L$ is a group homomorphism.

\therefore every elt of \mathbb{L}_G is of the form $L_g, g \in G,$ L is clearly onto.

Suppose $L(g_1) = L(g_2)$ for some $g_1, g_2 \in G.$

$$\text{then } L_{g_1} = L_{g_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{g_1}(x) = L_{g_2}(x) \quad \forall x \in G$$

In particular for $x = e,$

$$L_{g_1}(e) = L_{g_2}(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow g_1 = g_2 \quad \therefore L \text{ is one-one.}$$

Hence $L : G \longrightarrow \mathbb{L}_G$ is a one-one, onto group ~~isomor~~⁽¹⁾ isomorphism, which implies that L is an ~~is~~ isomorphism of groups.

5. Let $H \leq G$ (subgp).

Then $Hx = Hy$ for $x, y \in G$ iff $xy^{-1} \in H$.

Suppose $Hx = Hy$

\Rightarrow The sets $Hx = \{hx : h \in H\}$ is equal to the set $Hy = \{hy : h \in H\}$.

Hence given $hx \in Hx$, \exists some $h' \in H$

$$st \quad hx = h'y \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Post multiplying both sides of (1) by y^{-1} and Premultiplying both sides of (1) by h^{-1} we get

$$\begin{aligned} h^{-1}(hx)y^{-1} &= h^{-1}(h'y)y^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow (h^{-1}h)xy^{-1} &= (h^{-1}h')(yy^{-1}) \\ \Rightarrow xy^{-1} &= h^{-1}h' \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore h, h' \in H$, RHS is in H .

i.e $xy^{-1} \in H$.

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Conversely, assume that $xy^{-1} \in H$.

This implies that $\exists h \in H$ s.t.

$$xy^{-1} = h. \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now multiplying by sides of (2) by y we get,

$$(xy^{-1})y = hy$$

$$\Rightarrow x = hy. \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$\therefore hy \in Hy$, by (3) we see that $x \in Hy$.

On the other hand, since $H \leq G$, $e \in H$.

and $Hx \nsubseteq e \cdot x = x$, which implies

that $x \in Hx \cap Hy$. --- (4)

But we know that two right cosets of H in G are either equal or they are disjoint.

Hence it follows from (4) that $Hx = Hy$.

$$\text{Let } G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : ad \neq 0, a, b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{Then for } g = \begin{pmatrix} a+b & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in G, g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -\frac{b}{ad} \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a+b & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -\frac{b}{ad} \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & ax+b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -\frac{b}{ad} \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{b}{d} + \frac{ax+b}{d} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{ax}{d} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H.$$

\therefore any arbitrary elt of H is of the form $h \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
and any arbitrary elt of G is of the form

$g \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$, we see that $ghg^{-1} \in H \forall h \in H, g \in G$.

Hence H is a normal subgp of G .

Now observe that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H.$$

Hence by 1st part we see that

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$$H \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

This shows that any general element of the quotient group $G/H = \{Hg : g \in G\}$ is of the form $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}.$

Let $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} \in G/H.$

Then $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix}$
 $\quad \quad \quad (\because H \text{ is normal in } G)$
 $\quad \quad \quad = H \begin{pmatrix} ax & 0 \\ 0 & dy \end{pmatrix}$
 $\quad \quad \quad = H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$
 $\quad \quad \quad (\because \text{diagonal matrices commute})$
 $\quad \quad \quad = H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \quad (\because H \text{ is normal in } G)$
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{Hence } G/H \text{ is abelian.}$