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# Chapter 1

## Basics

### 1.1 Set Theory

**Set** is a collection of points which satisfies ZFC-axioms. And the points are the elements of  $A$ ,  $x \in A$ .

1. **Cardinality**  $|A|$  is the number<sup>1</sup> of elements of the set  $A$ .
2. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then there exists a finite set of cardinality  $n$  given by  $\mathbb{N}_n = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .
3. A set  $B$  is a **subset** of a set  $A$ ,  $B \subset A$  if  $x \in B \implies x \in A$ .
4. The **power set**  $\mathcal{P}(A)$  of a set  $A$  is the family of all subsets of  $A$ .
5. Two sets  $A, B$  are **equal**,  $A = B$  if  $A \subset B$  and  $B \subset A$ .
6. Set Operations

**union** of two sets  $A, B$  is the set  $A \cup B = \{x : x \in A \text{ or } x \in B\}$ .

**intersection** of two sets  $A, B$  is the set  $A \cap B = \{x : x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$ .

**complement** of a set  $A$  wrt a set  $B$  is the set  $A - B = \{x \in A : x \notin B\}$ .

**symmetric difference** of two sets  $A, B$  is the set  $A \Delta B = (A - B) \cup (B - A)$ .

**cartesian product** of  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$ .

7. A **relation** from  $A$  to  $B$  is a subset of  $A \times B$ . And  $xRy \implies (x, y) \in R \subset A \times B$ .
8. A relation on  $A$  is  $R \subset A \times A$ .

**reflexive** relation  $R$  on  $A$  satisfies  $xRx$ ,  $\forall x \in A$ .

**symmetric** relation  $R$  on  $A$  satisfies  $xRy \iff yRx$ .

**antisymmetric** relation  $R$  on  $A$  satisfies  $(x, y) \in R \implies (y, x) \notin R$ .

**transitive** relation  $R$  on  $A$  satisfies  $xRy, yRz \implies xRz$ ,  $\forall x, y, z \in A$ .

**total** relation  $R$  on  $A$  satisfies either  $xRy$  or  $yRx$ ,  $\forall x, y \in A$ ,  $(x \neq y)$ .

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<sup>1</sup>We adopt Cantor's notion of number of elements when the set is infinite.

9. **equivalence** relation  $R$  on  $A$  is a reflexive, symmetric, and transitive relation.

An **equivalence class** of a set  $A$  containing  $x$  is the subset  $\hat{x} = \{y \in A : xRy\}$  where the relation  $R$  is an equivalence relation.

10. A **partition**  $\{\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \dots\}$  of  $A$  is a family of subsets  $\hat{x}$  of  $A$  which satisfies

$$x \in \hat{x}, \forall x \in A.$$

$$\hat{x} \cap \hat{y} \iff \hat{x} = \hat{y}.$$

$$A = \cup\{\hat{x} : x \in A\}.$$

11. A **function** from  $A$  to  $B$  is relation which has a unique element  $(a, b)$ ,  $\forall a \in A$ .

A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is an **injection** if it satisfies  $f(x) = f(y) \implies x = y$ .

A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a **surjection** if it satisfies  $y = f(x)$ ,  $\forall y \in B$ .

12. A function  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a **bijection** if  $f$  is both injective and surjective. Then  $A, B$  are of the same cardinality  $A \sim B$ .

If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is an injection, then  $\exists C \subset B$  such that  $f : A \rightarrow C$  is a bijection. Then  $A \sim C \subset B \implies |A| \leq |B|$ . If  $A$  is uncountable, then  $B$  is uncountable. If  $B$  is countable, then  $A$  is countable.

If  $f : A \rightarrow B$  is a surjection, then  $\exists C \subset A$  such that  $f : C \rightarrow B$  is a bijection. Then  $B \sim C \subset A \implies |B| \leq |A|$ . If  $A$  is countable, then  $B$  is countable, then  $A$  is uncountable. If  $B$  is uncountable, then  $A$  is uncountable.

13. There exists a bijection from the set of all equivalence relations on  $A$  to the set of all partitions of  $A$ .

14. A set  $A$  is **finite** if there exists a natural number  $n$  and a bijection  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_n$ .

15. A set  $A$  is finite if and only if there does not exist a bijection from  $A$  into any proper subset of  $A$ . A set  $A$  is infinite if  $A$  has a proper subset  $B$  and there exists a bijection  $f : A \rightarrow B$ .

16. A set  $A$  is **countably infinite** if there exists a bijection  $f : A \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ .

A subset of a countably infinite set is at most countably infinite.

If  $A$  is uncountable and  $B$  is countable, then  $A - B$  is uncountable.

Non-degenerate intervals are uncountable.

17. The finite cartesian product of countable sets are countable.

Proof : cantor diagonalisation process and induction.

18. Countable union of countable sets is countable.

Let  $A_j = \{a_{i,j} : (i, j) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}\}$  and  $S = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} A_j$ . Then  $S \sim \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \implies |S| = \aleph_0$ .

19. **Continuum Hypothesis** : Let  $\aleph_0, \aleph_1, \dots$  where  $2^{\aleph_k} = \aleph_{k+1}$ . Then there does not exists a set  $A$  such that  $\aleph_k < |A| < \aleph_{k+1}$ .

For any set  $A$ , there does not exists a bijection from  $A$  to power set of  $\mathcal{P}(A)$ .

20.  $\aleph_0^{\aleph_0} = \aleph_1$ ,  $\aleph_0^n = \aleph_0$ , and  $n\aleph_0 = \aleph_0$ .

Set of all polynomials of degree less than  $n$  with rational coefficients is countable.  
That is,  $S \sim \mathbb{Q}^n \implies |S| = \aleph_0$ .

The set of all circles with rational radii and center with rational co-ordinates is countable. That is,  $S \sim \mathbb{Q}^3 \implies |S| = \aleph_0$ .

The collection of function,  $F = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$  is uncountable.  $|F| = |\mathbb{R}|^{|\mathbb{R}|} = \aleph_2$ .

21. Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $g : Y \rightarrow X$  and  $g \circ f = id_X$ . Then  $f \circ g$  is idempotent.

**Part I**

**Mathematics 1**

# Chapter 2

## Analysis

### 2.1 Real Set Theory

1. A **neighbourhood** of  $x \in S$  is an open interval <sup>1</sup> containing  $x$  contained in  $S$ .
2. A point  $x \in S$  is an **interior point** of  $S$  if there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $(x - \varepsilon, x + \varepsilon)$  is contained in  $S$ . The set of all interior points of  $S$  is the **interior** of  $S$ ,  $S^0$ .

The interior of a set  $S$  is the largest open set contained in it.

Boundary points of an interval is not its interior points. That is,  $[a, b]^0 = (a, b)$ .

3. A set  $G$  is **open** if and only if  $G^0 = G$ .

Open sets are countable union of disjoint open intervals.

4. Arbitrary union of open sets is open. Finite intersection of open sets is open.

5. A set  $C$  is closed if  $\mathbb{R} - C$  is open.

Closure of a set  $S$ , is the smallest closed set  $\bar{S}$  containing  $S$ .

The **exterior** of a set is the interior of its complement. The **boundary** of a set  $\partial S$  is the intersection of its closure and closure of its exterior.

6. A point  $x$  is a **limit point** of  $S$  if every neighbourhood of  $x$  has infinitely many points of  $S$ .

A point  $x$  is a limit point of  $S$  if there exists an eventually nonconstant sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $S$  converging  $x$ .

$S = \{\frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  has limit point 0.

The set of limit points of a set  $S$  is the **derived set**  $S'$ .

$\bar{S} = S \cup S'$ .

7. A set  $S$  is **rare**(nowhere dense) if its interior is empty. A set  $S$  is **meagre**(Baire first category) if it is a countable union of rare sets. A set  $S$  is **non-meagre**(second category) if it is not meagre.

The set of rational numbers is rare.

The set of irrationals numbers is rare.

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<sup>1</sup> $N$  is a neighbourhood of  $x$  if there exists an set  $G$  containing  $x$  which is open in  $S$ .

Cantor set is rare.

Notions of smallness : *Countable* > *Zero Measure* > *Rare*.<sup>2</sup>

8. Cantor function is uniformly continuous, but not absolutely continuous.

Volterra function is differentiable, but its derivative is not integrable.

Weierstrass function<sup>3</sup> is continuous everywhere but nowhere differentiable.

9. **Dedekind Cut** :  $\mathbb{Q} = [A : B]$  where  $A = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} : q < \sqrt{2}\}$  and  $B = \{q \in \mathbb{Q} : q > \sqrt{2}\}$ . Clearly,  $\mathbb{Q} = A \cup B$ ,  $A$  does not have a maximum and  $B$  does not have a minimum.

10. A set  $S$  is bounded above if there exists  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\forall x \in S, x \leq m$ . If  $S$  is bounded above, there exists infinitely many upperbounds. The least upperbound is the **supremum** of  $S$ , say  $\sup(S)$ . If  $S$  is not bounded above, then  $\sup(S) = +\infty$ .

$$\sup(S) \notin S$$

If  $\sup(S) \in S$ , then  $\sup(S) = \max(S)$ .

11. The greatest lowerbound is the **infimum** of  $S$ , say  $\inf(S)$ . If  $S$  is not bounded below, then  $\inf(S) = -\infty$ .

## 2.2 Properties of Numbers

1. Greatest integer function  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x - 1 < \lfloor x \rfloor < x$
2. Arithmetic vs Geometric mean  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$
3. Exponential function  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n = e^x$
4. Archimedian Property  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists n \in \mathbb{N} : x < n$
5. Dense Subset  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \exists r \in \mathbb{Q} : x < r < y \quad (x < y)$
6.  $||a| - |b|| \leq |a - b|$
7. Derived Set  $A' = \{x \in X : \forall N \in \mathcal{N}_x, N - \{x\} \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$ .
8. Every function on  $\mathbb{N}$  is continuous as the induced topology on  $\mathbb{N}$  is discrete.

## 2.3 Sequence

1. A **sequence**  $x_n$  in a set  $X$  is a function  $x : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$  where  $x_n = x(n)$ .
2. A **subsequence**  $x_{n_k}$  of a sequence  $x_n$  is a function  $x \circ n$  where  $n : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, n_k = n(k)$  is a strictly increasing sequence.
3. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is **convergent** if there exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n > N, |x_n - x| < \varepsilon$ . Then  $x$  is a **limit** of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

<sup>2</sup>The Smith-Volterra cantor set is a rare set with measure  $\frac{1}{2}$ , constructed by removing  $\frac{1}{4}$ th from middle.

<sup>3</sup>Weierstrass' monster function,  $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a^k \cos(b^k \pi x)$



4. If space  $X$  is  $T_2$ , then limit of convergent sequence in  $X$  is unique.

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , limit of a convergent sequence is unique.

5. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges if and only if every subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  converges.

6. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is **bounded** if  $|x_n| \leq k$ .

Every convergent sequence is bounded.

**Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem** : Every bounded sequence has a convergent subsequence.

7. A point  $x$  is a **limit point**(cluster point) of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  if every neighbourhood of  $x$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence.

$x$  is a limit point of  $\{x_n\}$  if and only if it has a subsequence converging to  $x$ .

Every convergent sequence has a unique limit point.

A bounded sequence with unique limit point is convergent.

8. A sequence  $x_n$  is **Cauchy** if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n, m > N, |x_n - x_m| < \varepsilon$ .

Every Cauchy sequence is bounded.

9. A space is **complete** if every Cauchy sequence in it converges.

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , sequence is convergent if and only if Cauchy.

$\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{C}^n, l^2, C[a, b]$  are complete.

Sequence space  $l^p$  is complete if and only if  $p = 2$ .

10. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is **monotonically increasing** if  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n+1} \geq a_n$ .

Every sequence has a monotone subsequence.

Every monotonically increasing(decreasing) sequence which is bounded above(below) is convergent. And the limit is its supremum(infimum).

11. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is **contractive** if there exists  $c \in (0, 1)$  such that  $|a_{n+2} - a_{n+1}| \leq c|a_{n+1} - a_n|$  for sufficiently large values of  $n$ .

Every contractive sequence is Cauchy.

12.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ , there exist a rational sequence and an irrational sequence converging to  $x$ .  
 $\left[\frac{10^n x_n}{10^n}\right] \rightarrow x$  and  $x_n + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{n} \rightarrow x$ .

13. Logarithm function is continuous. That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x \implies \ln x_n \rightarrow \ln x, (x_n > 0)$ .

14. Square root function is continuous. That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x \implies \sqrt{x_n} \rightarrow \sqrt{x}, (x_n > 0)$ .

15. Properties of Convergent Sequences,

$$x_n \rightarrow x \implies kx_n \rightarrow kx.$$

$$x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y \implies x_n \pm y_n \rightarrow x \pm y.$$

$$x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y \implies x_n y_n \rightarrow xy$$

$$x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y, y_n \neq 0, y \neq 0 \implies x_n/y_n \rightarrow x/y$$

16.  $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y, x_n \leq y_n \implies x \leq y$

$$x_n \rightarrow x, x_n \leq k \implies x \leq k.$$

17. **Squeeze theorem** :  $x_n \leq y_n \leq z_n, x_n \rightarrow l, z_n \rightarrow l \implies y_n \rightarrow l$ .

18. **Every convergent sequence is absolute convergent.**

$$|x_n| \rightarrow |x| \not\Rightarrow x_n \rightarrow x.$$

$$x_n \rightarrow 0 \iff |x_n| \rightarrow 0.$$

19.  $x_n y_n \rightarrow xy, x_n \rightarrow x \not\Rightarrow y_n \rightarrow y$

20.  $x_n \rightarrow \pm\infty \implies x_{n_k} \rightarrow \pm\infty$ .

21. Tests for non-convergence,

Unbounded sequences are non-convergent.

If sequence has two convergent subsequence with distinct limits.

If it has a non-convergent subsequence.

22. A few popular convergent sequences,

$$x^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ where } (|x| < 1).$$

$$\frac{1}{n^p} \rightarrow 0 \text{ provided } p > 0.$$

$$p^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1 \text{ provided } p > 0.$$

$$n^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow 1.$$

$$(1 + \frac{1}{n})^n \rightarrow e.$$

23.  $(1 + \frac{2}{n})^n \rightarrow e^2$

Let  $x_n = (1 + \frac{2}{n})^n$ . Suppose sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges, then subsequence  $\{x_{2n}\}$  converges to the same limit and  $x_{2n} = ((1 + \frac{1}{n})^n)^2 \rightarrow e^2$ .

24. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is **Cesaro summable** if the sequence of arithmetic means is convergent.

25. **Cauchy's First Theorem on Limits** : Every convergent sequence is Cesaro summable and has the same limit. That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x \implies \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n} \rightarrow x$ .

Let sequence  $\{p_n\}$  be a sequence of positive real numbers with  $\frac{1}{p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n} \rightarrow 0$ . Then sequence of weighted arithmetic means also converges to the same limit.

That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x \implies \frac{p_1 x_1 + p_2 x_2 + \dots + p_n x_n}{p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_n} \rightarrow x$ .

The sequence of geometric means also converges to the same limit.

That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x \implies (x_1 x_2 \dots x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow x$  provided  $x_n \geq 0$ .

26. **Cauchy's Second Theorem** :  $\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \rightarrow l \implies x_n^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow l$ .

D'Alembert's **Ratio Test** : Suppose  $x_n > 0$  and let  $\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \rightarrow l$ . If  $l < 1$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow 0$ . If  $l > 1$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ . If  $l = 1$ , test fails.

Cauchy's **Root test** : Suppose  $x_n \geq 0$  and let  $(x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow l$ . If  $l < 1$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow 0$ . If  $l > 1$ ,  $x_n \rightarrow +\infty$ . If  $l = 1$ , test fails.

27. **Cesaro's theorem** : The Cauchy product of two convergent sequences is Cesaro summable. That is,  $x_n \rightarrow x, y_n \rightarrow y \implies \frac{x_1 y_n + x_2 y_{n-1} + \dots + x_n y_1}{n} \rightarrow xy$ .

28. **Stolz-Cesaro Theorem** :  $\frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{y_n - y_{n-1}} \rightarrow l \implies \frac{x_n}{y_n} \rightarrow l$  provided  $\{y_n\}$  is strictly monotone and diverges to  $\pm\infty$ .

$\frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{y_n - y_{n-1}} \rightarrow l \implies \frac{x_n}{y_n} \rightarrow l \implies \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n} \rightarrow l$  provided  $\{y_n\}$  is strictly increasing to  $+\infty$ .<sup>4</sup>

29. **Riemann Sum**

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} f(k/n) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$$

## Problems

1.  $\frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \frac{n^n}{n!} \rightarrow \frac{1}{e} \implies \left(\frac{n!}{n^n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{\sqrt[n]{n!}}{n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{e}$

## 2.4 Series

1. A **series**  $\sum a_n$  is a sequence of the form  $\{b_n\}$  where  $b_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$ , the sequence of partial sums. If the sequence of partial sums converges to  $s$ , then the **sum** of the series  $\sum a_n = s$ . If the sequence of partial sums diverges, the series also diverges.

2.  $n$ th term test : If  $\sum a_n$  converges, then  $a_n \rightarrow 0$ . And if  $a_n \not\rightarrow 0$  then  $\sum a_n$  diverges.

3. Suppose  $\sum a_n, \sum b_n$  converges, then  $\sum a_n + b_n, \sum \alpha a_n$  converges.

(a) Abel's test : if  $\sum a_n$  is monotonic and  $\sum a_n, \sum b_n$  converges, then  $\sum a_n b_n$  converges

(b) Dirichlet's test : if  $\sum a_n$  is decreasing & converges and sequence of partial sums of  $\sum b_n$  is bounded, then  $\sum a_n b_n$  converges.

4. Power Series test :  $\sum 1/n^p$  converges if  $p > 1$  and diverges if  $p \leq 1$ .

5. Geometric Series test :  $\sum a^n$  converges if  $|a| < 1$  and diverges if  $|a| \geq 1$ .

6. Ratio test : Let  $a_n > 0$ <sup>5</sup> and  $a_{n+1}/a_n \rightarrow l$ .

If  $l < 1$ ,  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $l > 1$ ,  $\sum a_n$  diverges. If  $l = 1$ , test fails.

7. Comparison test : Suppose  $0 \leq a_n \leq b_n$ .

If  $\sum b_n$  converges, then  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $\sum a_n$  diverges, then  $\sum b_n$  diverges.

8. **Limit Comparison Test** : Suppose  $a_n > 0$  and  $b_n > 0$ <sup>6</sup> and  $a_n/b_n \rightarrow l$ .

If  $l = 0$  and  $\sum b_n$  converges, then  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $l \neq 0$ , then both behaves alike.

<sup>4</sup>Why the corollary of Stolz-Cesaro theorem is not applicable when  $y_n$  is strictly monotone and diverges to  $\pm\infty$ .

<sup>5</sup>The condition  $a_n > 0$  can be relaxed a bit, to eventually positive as eventuality is all that matters.

<sup>6</sup>In this case, eventuality is not sufficient.

9. Cauchy's  $n$ th root test : If  $a_n > 0$  and  $a_n^{\frac{1}{n}} \rightarrow l$ .  
If  $l < 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $l > 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  diverges. If  $l = 1$ , test fails.
10. Condensation test : Suppose sequence  $a_n$  is decreasing and positive.  
Then  $\sum a_n$  and  $\sum 2^n a_n$  behaves similar. **Tailor-made for logarithmic functions.**
11. Raabe's test : Suppose  $a_n > 0$  and  $n \left( \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} - 1 \right) \rightarrow l$ .  
If  $l < 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $l > 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  diverges. If  $l = 1$ , test fails.
12. Logarithmic test : Suppose  $a_n > 0$  and  $n \log(a/a_{n+1}) \rightarrow l$ .  
If  $l > 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  converges. If  $l < 1$ , then  $\sum a_n$  diverges.
13. Leibnitz test : Suppose sequence  $a_n$  is decreasing and converges to zero. ( $a_n \downarrow 0$ )  
Then the **alternating series**  $\sum (-1)^n a_n$  converges.
14. A series  $\sum a_n$  is **absolutely convergent** if  $\sum |a_n|$  converges. In the case of series, absolute convergence implies convergence. A sequence which is convergent, but not absolutely convergent is **conditionally convergent**.

## 2.5 Limit Superior/Inferior

**Definitions 2.1.**

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \inf_{n \geq 0} \sup_{m \geq n} x_n$$

**Definitions 2.2.**

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \sup_{n \geq 0} \inf_{m \geq n} x_n$$

**Remark.**  $\liminf x_n = I, \limsup x_n = S$  are the bounds for cluster points of  $x_n$ . Thus, there are at most finitely many terms outside  $(I - \varepsilon, S + \varepsilon)$ . However,  $[I, S]$  may not contain any term of  $x_n$ . For example,  $x_n = (-1)^n(1 + \frac{1}{n})$ .

### 2.5.1 Properties of limit superior/inferior

$$\begin{aligned} \inf x_n &\leq \liminf x_n \leq \limsup x_n \leq \sup x_n \\ \liminf a_n + \liminf b_n &\leq \liminf(a_n + b_n) \leq \limsup(a_n + b_n) \leq \limsup a_n + \limsup b_n \\ \liminf a_n \liminf b_n &\leq \liminf(a_n b_n) \leq \limsup(a_n b_n) \leq \limsup a_n \limsup b_n \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.3** (Stolz-Cesaro).

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{b_{n+1} - b_n} \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{b_{n+1} - b_n}$$

## 2.6 Limit of a function

**Definitions 2.4** (limit). If  $f(x_n) \rightarrow L$  as  $x_n \rightarrow a$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = L$ .

**Definitions 2.5** (continuity). A function  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous at  $a \in X$ , if  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = f(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} x) = f(a)$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** *Limit is algebraic.*

Suppose  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)$ ,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)$  exists, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} cf(x) = c \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \quad (2.1)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \pm g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \pm \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \quad (2.2)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)g(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) \lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) \quad (2.3)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)}{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)^{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x)^{\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)} \quad (2.5)$$

**Remark** (exceptions).

$$\frac{0}{0}, \frac{\pm\infty}{\pm\infty}, 0 \pm \infty, \infty - \infty, 0^0, \infty^0, 1^{\pm\infty}$$

**Theorem 2.7** (L'Hospital/Bernoulli).

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

**Remark** (application).

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (2+x)^{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} e^{\frac{1}{x} \log(2+x)} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\log(2+x)}{x}} = e^{\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2+x}} = \sqrt{e}$$

**Squeeze theorem** Suppose  $f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x)$  for each  $x$  in an open interval containing  $a$  (except  $a$ ). If  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} h(x) = L$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = L \quad (2.6)$$

**Theorem 2.8** (chain rule). Suppose  $\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = b$  and  $f$  is continuous at  $b$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(g(x)) = f(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x)) = f(b) = c \quad (2.7)$$

**Remark.** The existence of limit  $\lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(y) = c$  does not imply  $f(b) = c$ . If  $g$  assumes value  $b$  in some neighbourhood of  $a$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = b, \lim_{y \rightarrow b} f(y) = c \not\Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow a} f \circ g(x) = c$$

## 2.7 Limit Inferior/Superior of Functions

**Definitions 2.9** (metric).

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow a} f = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in B(a, \varepsilon)^*} \{f(x)\} = \inf_{\varepsilon > 0} \sup_{x \in B(a, \varepsilon)^*} \{f(x)\}$$

$$\liminf_{x \rightarrow a} f = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \inf_{x \in B(a, \varepsilon)^*} \{f(x)\} = \sup_{\varepsilon > 0} \inf_{x \in B(a, \varepsilon)^*} \{f(x)\}$$

## 2.8 Sequence of Functions

### 2.8.1 Notions of Convergence

**Definitions 2.10** (pointwise). *Sequence of functions are pointwise convergent if for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the sequence  $f_n(x_0)$  converges to  $f(x_0)$ .*

$$(metric) \quad \forall x \in X, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_{x,\varepsilon} \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N_{x,\varepsilon}, d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \varepsilon \quad (2.8)$$

$$(norm) \quad \forall x \in X, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_{x,\varepsilon} \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N_{x,\varepsilon}, \|f_n(x), f(x)\| < \varepsilon \quad (2.9)$$

$$(nbd) \quad \forall x \in X, \forall U \in \mathcal{N}_{f(x)}, \exists N_{x,U} \in \mathbb{N}, \forall n > N_{x,U}, f_n(x) \in U \quad (2.10)$$

**Definitions 2.11** (uniform). *Sequence of functions are uniformly convergent if for each  $x \in X$ , all the sequences  $f_n(x)$  converges to  $f(x)$  uniformly.*

$$(metric) \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in X, \forall n > N_\varepsilon, d(f_n(x), f(x)) < \varepsilon \quad (2.11)$$

$$(norm) \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N_\varepsilon \in \mathbb{N}, \forall x \in X, \forall n > N_\varepsilon, \|f_n(x), f(x)\| < \varepsilon \quad (2.12)$$

$$(nbd) \quad ?? \quad (2.13)$$

### 2.8.2 Notions of Boundedness

**Definitions 2.12** (pointwise). *Sequence of functions is pointwise bounded if for each  $x_0 \in X$ , the sequence  $f_n(x_0)$  is bounded.*

$$\forall x \in X, \exists M_x \in \mathbb{R}, |f_n(x)| < M_x \quad (2.14)$$

**Definitions 2.13** (uniform). *Sequence of functions if uniformly bounded if the pointwise bounds are uniform.*

$$\exists M \in \mathbb{R}, \forall x \in X, |f_n(x)| < M \quad (2.15)$$

## 2.9 Limit of a Set

**Definitions 2.14.**

$$\liminf X = \inf\{\text{limit points}\}$$

$$\limsup X = \sup\{\text{limit points}\}$$

## 2.10 Sequence of Sets

**Definitions 2.15.**

$$\liminf X_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=n}^{\infty} X_m$$

$$\limsup X_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{m=n}^{\infty} X_m$$

**Part II**

**Mathematics 2**

# Chapter 3

## Algebra

### 3.1 Number Theory

**Lemma 3.1** (Euclid). *Let  $p$  be a prime. If  $p$  divides  $ab$ , then either  $p$  divides  $a$  or  $p$  divides  $b$ .*

#### Greatest Common Divisor

1. Bézout's Identity : If  $\gcd(n, m) = d$ , then  $\exists s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $d = sn + tm$ .
2. Euclid's Division Algorithm : If  $b > 0$ , then  $\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\exists r \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $a = qb + r$  where  $0 \leq r < b$ .
3. Euclid's Algorithm :  $\gcd(a, b) = \gcd(b, r) = \dots = \gcd(d, 1)$  where  $a = bq + r$ .
4. The linear equation  $ax + by = c$  has integer solutions if  $\gcd(a, b)$  divides  $c$ .  
If  $(x, y)$  is a solution, then  $(x - b/d, y - a/d)$  is also a solution.
5. Chinese Remainder Theorem : Let  $x \cong a_j \pmod{n_j}$  be a system of congruences where  $\gcd(n_j, n_k) = 1$ , ( $j \neq k$ ). Then there exists a solution.  
If  $x_1, x_2$  are two solutions, then  $x_1 \cong x_2 \pmod{N}$  where  $N = \prod n_j$ .

$$x \cong \sum a_j M_j N_j \pmod{N} \text{ where } N_j = \frac{N}{n_j} \text{ and } M_j \cong N_j^{-1} \pmod{n_j}$$

#### Congruences

**Definitions 3.2.** *The congruence is a relation on  $\mathbb{Z}$  defined by*

$$a \cong b \pmod{n} \iff n \mid (a - b)$$

1. The relation  $\cong$  is an equivalence relation.
2.  $a \cong b \pmod{n} \implies \forall k, a^k \cong b^k \pmod{n}$ .
3. If  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ , then  $a^{-1} \pmod{n}$  exists.
4. Linear congruence equation  $ax \cong b \pmod{n}$  has a solution if  $\gcd(a, n)$  divides  $b$ .



**Euler's phi function** The function  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is defined as  $\phi(n)$  = the cardinality of the set  $\{k \in \mathbb{N} : k \leq n, \gcd(n, k) = 1\}$ .

1.  $\phi$  is multiplicative. That is,  $\phi(mn) = \phi(m)\phi(n)$ ,  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ .
2.  $\phi(p^n) = p^n - p^{n-1}$  where  $p$  is a prime.
3.  $\phi(n)$  is even for  $n > 2$ .
4. The sum of  $\phi(d)$  for all divisors of  $n$  is  $n$ .
5. The sum of all natural numbers  $k \leq n$  that are relatively prime to  $n$  is  $n\phi(n)/2$ .

**Theorem 3.3** (Fermat).  $a^p \cong a \pmod{p}$

**Definitions 3.4.** A number  $x$  such that  $a^x \cong a \pmod{x}$  is a (fermat) **pseudoprime** for base  $a$  where  $\gcd(a, x) = 1$ .

Number 341 is the smallest pseudoprime for base 2.

**Definitions 3.5.** A number  $x$  is a **Carmichael** number if  $a^x \cong a \pmod{x}$  whenever  $\gcd(a, x) = 1$ .

### 3.1.1 Arithmetical Functions

**Definitions 3.6.** A function  $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is an **arithmetical** (number theoretic) function.

**Definitions 3.7.** An arithmetical function  $f$  is multiplicative iff  $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$  whenever  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ . And completely multiplicative iff  $f(mn) = f(m)f(n)$  always.

**Definitions 3.8.** The **Dirichlet convolution**

$$f * g = \sum_{d|n} f(d)g\left(\frac{n}{d}\right)$$

Clearly, Dirichlet convolution is commutative and associative. And Dirichlet convolution of multiplicative functions is multiplicative. However, Dirichlet convolution of completely multiplicative functions is not completely multiplicative.

**Definitions 3.9.** Every arithmetical function  $f$  with  $f(1) \neq 0$  has a unique **Dirichlet inverse**  $f^{-1}$ .

$$f^{-1}(n) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{f(1)} & n = 1 \\ \frac{-1}{f(1)} \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d < n}} f(n/d)f^{-1}(d) & n > 1 \end{cases}$$

Clearly,  $(f * g)^{-1} = g^{-1} * f^{-1}$  provided  $f^{-1}$  and  $g^{-1}$  exists.

**Theorem 3.10.** Let  $f$  be multiplicative. Then  $f$  is completely multiplicative iff  $f^{-1} = \mu f$ .

**Arithmetical Functions and their Dirichlet products**

1. **Identity function**,  $I(n) = \left[\frac{1}{n}\right]$  vanishes everywhere except at  $n = 1$ ,  $I(1) = 1$ . Clearly,  $I$  is completely multiplicative.
2. **Möbius function**,  $\mu(n)$  gives the parity of the number of prime factors of a square free number and vanishes for numbers which contains a square.  
For example,  $\mu(1) = 1$ ,  $\mu(30) = -1$ ,  $\mu(12) = 0$ . Clearly,  $\mu$  is multiplicative.
3. **Riemann Zeta function**,  $\zeta(n) = 1$  is completely multiplicative.  
Thus  $\zeta^{-1} = \mu\zeta = \mu$ .
4. **Power function**,  $N^\alpha(n) = n^\alpha$  is completely multiplicative.  
Thus,  $(N^\alpha)^{-1} = \mu N^\alpha$ . And  $N^0 = \zeta$ .
5. **Characteristic function**,  $\chi_S$  is the membership indicator function.

$$\chi_S(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & n \in S \\ 0 & n \notin S \end{cases}$$

$\chi_S$  is not multiplicative.

6. **Euler totient function**,  $\phi(n)$  gives the number of positive integers less than  $n$  which are relatively prime to  $n$ . And  $\phi = \mu * N$ . Thus,  $\phi^{-1} = \zeta * \mu N$ .
7. **Liouville function**  $\lambda(n)$  gives the parity of sum of prime powers of  $n$ .  
For example,  $\lambda(1) = 0$ ,  $\lambda(30) = -1$ ,  $\lambda(12) = -1$ .  
Clearly,  $\lambda$  is completely multiplicative and  $\lambda^{-1} = \mu\lambda$ .  
And  $\lambda = \mu * \chi_{Sq}$  where  $Sq$  is the set of all squares.
8. **Divisor function**  $\sigma_\alpha(n)$  is the sum of  $\alpha$ th powers of divisors of  $n$ .  
Clearly,  $\sigma_\alpha = \zeta * N^\alpha$ . And  $\sigma_\alpha^{-1} = \mu * \mu N^\alpha$ .
9.  $\tau(n)$  gives the number of divisors of  $n$ . And  $d(n)$  gives the sum of divisors of  $n$ .  
Clearly,  $\tau = \sigma_0 = \zeta * \zeta$ . And  $d = \sigma = \sigma_1 = \zeta * N$ .  
We have,  $\sigma * \phi = \zeta * N * \mu * N = N * N = N\tau$  since,

$$N * N(n) = \sum_{d|n} N(d)N(n/d) = \sum_{d|n} n = N(n)\tau(n)$$

$$\text{and } \tau * \phi = \zeta * \zeta * \mu * N = \zeta * N = \sigma$$

10.  $\omega(n)$  gives the number of distinct prime factors of  $n$ .  
Clearly  $\omega = \zeta * \chi_{\mathbb{P}}$  where  $\mathbb{P}$  is the set of all primes.
11.  $\Omega(n)$  gives the number of prime factors of  $n$  counted with multiplicity. Clearly,  
 $\Omega = \zeta * \chi_{\mathcal{P}}$  where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the set of all prime powers
12.  $p$ -adic valuation  $\nu_p(n)$  is the exponent of highest power of prime  $p$  that divides  $n$ .

$$\omega(2^n 3^m) = 2, \quad \Omega(2^n 3^m) = n + m, \quad \nu_2(2^n 3^m) = n$$

$$\nu_p(n!) = \left[\frac{n}{p}\right] + \left[\frac{n}{p^2}\right] + \dots$$

### Strange Functions

1.  $\sin : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow [-1, 1]$  is an injection since  $\sin(x) = \sin(y) \implies 2\pi | (x - y)$ .

## 3.2 Group Theory

**Definitions 3.11.** An **algebra** is  $\langle \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{F} \rangle$  where  $\mathcal{S}$  is a collection of sets and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a collection of functions/relations defined on them.

**Definitions 3.12.** A **binary relation** on a set  $A$  is a relation between  $A \times A$  and  $A$ .

**Definitions 3.13.** An **associative** binary relation  $*$  on  $A$  satisfies

$$(x * y), (y * z) \in A \implies (x * y) * z, x * (y * z) \in A, (x * y) * z = x * (y * z) \quad (3.1)$$

**Definitions 3.14.** A **commutative** binary relation  $*$  on  $A$  satisfies

$$x * y \in A \implies y * x \in A, x * y = y * x \quad (3.2)$$

A commutative algebra is also called abelian.

**Definitions 3.15.** A **binary operation** on  $A$  is a function  $*$  :  $A \times A \rightarrow A$ .

**Definitions 3.16.** An **associative** binary operation  $*$  on  $A$  satisfies

$$(x * y) * z = x * (y * z) \quad (3.3)$$

**Definitions 3.17.** A **commutative** binary operation  $*$  on  $A$  satisfies

$$x * y = y * x \quad (3.4)$$

**Definitions 3.18.** A **binary algebra**  $\langle A, * \rangle$  is an algebra with a set  $A$  together with a binary operation  $*$  on  $A$ .

**Definitions 3.19.** A **magma** is a binary algebra  $\langle A, * \rangle$  where  $*$  is a binary operation on  $A$ . By the definition of binary operation,  $*$  is well-defined(closed) on  $A \times A$ .

**Definitions 3.20.** A **semigroup** is a magma  $\langle A, * \rangle$  where  $*$  is associative.

**Definitions 3.21.** A **left identity**  $e'$  of an algebra  $\langle A, * \rangle$  satisfies  $e' * x = x$ ,  $\forall x \in A$ . And **right identity**  $e'$  satisfies  $x * e' = x$ ,  $\forall x \in A$ . An **identity** element  $e$  of  $\langle A, * \rangle$  satisfies both.

A binary algebra has at most one identity element. Homomorphisms map identity elements into identity elements.

**Definitions 3.22.** A **monoid** is a semigroup  $\langle A, * \rangle$  where  $*$  has an identity  $e \in A$ .

**Definitions 3.23.** Let  $x \in A$ . An **inverse**  $x^{-1}$  of  $x$  in an algebra  $\langle A, * \rangle$  satisfies  $xx^{-1} = x^{-1}x$ . Let  $e$  be the identity of a monoid  $\langle A, * \rangle$ . Then,  $x^{-1}$  satisfies  $xx^{-1} = x^{-1}x = e$ .

**Definitions 3.24.** A **group** is a monoid  $\langle A, * \rangle$  where every element  $x \in A$  has an inverse  $x^{-1}$ .

**Definitions 3.25.** An algebra  $\langle R, +, \times \rangle$  is a **ring** if

1.  $\langle R, + \rangle$  is an abelian group.
2.  $\langle R, \times \rangle$  is a semigroup.
3.  $\times$  is distributive over  $+$ .

**Definitions 3.26.** A commutative ring with unity  $\langle D, +, \times \rangle$  is an **integral domain** if

1.  $\langle D^*, \times \rangle$  has no zero divisors.
2.  $\times$  is distributive over  $+$ .

**Definitions 3.27.** An integral domain  $\langle F, +, \times \rangle$  is a **field** if

1.  $\langle F^*, \times \rangle$  is an abelian group.
2.  $\times$  is distributive over  $+$ .

**Definitions 3.28.** An algebra  $\langle V, F, +, \times \rangle$  is a **linear algebra** if

1.  $\langle F \rangle$  is a field.
2.  $\langle V, + \rangle$  is an abelian group.
3.  $\langle V, \times \rangle$  is a semigroup.
4.  $\times$  is distributive over  $+$ .

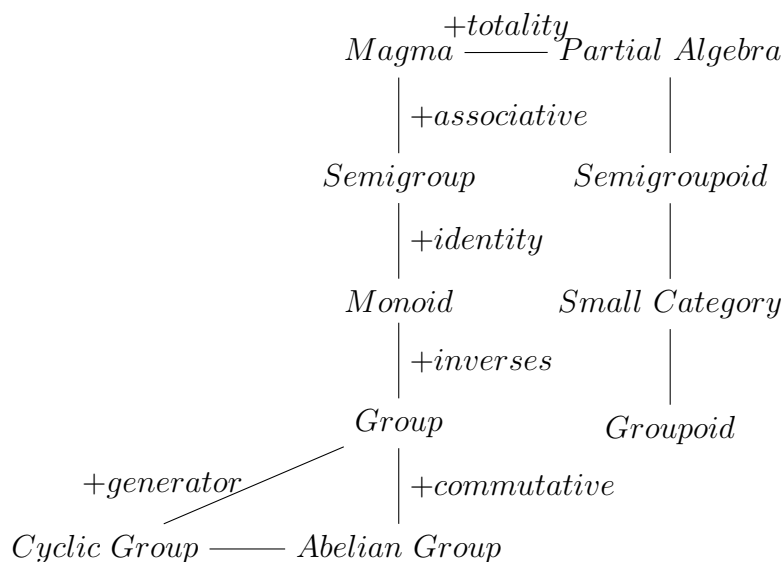


Figure 3.1: Binary Algebraic Structures

**Definitions 3.29.** The **sum** of two subsets  $A$  and  $B$  of a magma<sup>1</sup>  $\langle X, + \rangle$  is

$$A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$$

<sup>1</sup>Instead of magma, the name groupoid is used in many texts that don't study groupoid in detail

**Definitions 3.30.** Let  $\langle R, +, \cdot \rangle, \langle R', +', \cdot' \rangle$  be two commutative rings with identity. A function  $f : R \rightarrow R'$  is **linear** if  $f(k \cdot x + y) = k \cdot' f(x) +' f(y)$ .

**Definitions 3.31.** A function  $f : R^n \rightarrow R'$  is ***n*-linear** if for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,

$$f(a_1, a_2, \dots, ka_i + a'_i, \dots, a_n) = kf(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_i, \dots, a_n) + f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a'_i, \dots, a_n)$$

**Definitions 3.32.** Let  $\langle G, *_1, *_2, \dots, *_r \rangle$  and  $\langle H, \star_1, \star_2, \dots, \star_r \rangle$  be two algebraic structures. A function  $f : G \rightarrow H$  is a **homomorphism** if  $\forall *_k, f(x *_k y) = f(x) \star_k f(y)$ .

**Definitions 3.33.** An **isomorphism** is a bijective, homomorphism.

1. Number of relations on  $A = 2^{n^2}$ .
2. Number of reflexive relations on  $A = 2^{n^2-n}$ .
3. Number of symmetric relations on  $A = 2^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$ .
4. Number of equivalence relations on  $A = B(n)$ ,  $n^{th}$  Bell number<sup>2</sup>
5. Number of total relations on  $A = 2^n 3^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 0 & 9 \\ 10 & 11 & 12 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 \\ \bar{2} & 3 & 5 & 8 \\ \bar{4} & \bar{5} & 6 & 9 \\ \bar{7} & \bar{8} & \bar{9} & 10 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \bar{1} & \bar{2} & \bar{3} \\ \bar{1} & 2 & 4 & 5 \\ \bar{2} & \bar{4} & 3 & 6 \\ \bar{3} & \bar{4} & \bar{6} & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure 3.2: Enumerating Relations - Reflexive, Symmetric, and Total

6. Let  $|A| = m, |B| = n$ . Number of functions  $f : A \rightarrow B = n^m$ .
7. Number of injections  $f : A \rightarrow B = {}^nP_m \quad (n \geq m)$ .
8. Number of surjections  $f : A \rightarrow B = \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} (-1)^r \binom{n}{r} (n-r)^m \quad (n \leq m)$
9. Number of bijections  $f : A \rightarrow B = n! \quad (n = m)$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} & & & & & 1 \\ & & & & & 1 & 2 \\ & & & & & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ & & & & & 5 & 7 & 10 & 15 \\ & & & & & 15 & 20 & 27 & 37 & 52 \end{array}$$

Figure 3.3: Bell Triangle

10. Number of binary operations on  $A = n^{n^2}$  where  $|A| = n$ .

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<sup>2</sup> $B(n) = \sum S(n, k)$  where  $S(n, k)$  are Stirling numbers of second kind.

### 3.2.1 Groups and Subgroups

**Definitions 3.34.** A **group** is a binary algebraic structure  $\langle G, * \rangle$  which satisfies

1.  $*$  is closed,  $\forall x, y \in G, x * y \in G$
2.  $*$  is associative,  $\forall x, y, z \in G, (x * y) * z = x * (y * z)$ .
3.  $*$  has an identity element,  $\exists e \in G, \forall x \in G, e * x = x = x * e$ .
4.  $*$  has inverses for every element of  $G$ ,  $\forall x \in G, \exists x^{-1} \in G, x * x^{-1} = e = x^{-1} * x$

**Definitions 3.35.** The **order** of a group is the number of elements in it. The **order** of an element  $g \in G$  is the order of the smallest subgroup of  $G$  containing  $g$ .

**Definitions 3.36.** An element  $g \in G$  is a **generator** if the smallest subgroup of  $G$  containing  $g$  is  $G$  itself. A group  $G$  is **cyclic** if it has a generator.

**Definitions 3.37.** The **center** of a group,  $Z(G)$  is the set of all elements that commutes with every element in  $G$ .

**Definitions 3.38.** The **centralizer** of an element  $g$ ,  $C(g)$  is the set of all elements that commute with  $g$ .

#### Properties of Center

1. The center  $Z(G)$  of a group  $G$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . The centralizer of  $g$ ,  $C(g)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
2.  $Z(G) \leq C(g) \leq C(g^k)$ .
3.  $C(g) = C(g^k) \iff \gcd(k, n) = 1$  where  $o(g) = n$ .
4.  $Z(S_n)$  is trivial for  $n \geq 3$ .
5.  $Z(D_n)$  is trivial when  $n$  is odd.
6.  $Z(A_n)$  is trivial for  $n \geq 4$ .
7.  $Z(M_n(F)) = \{aI : a \in F\}$ .
8.  $Z(GL(n, F)) = \{aI : a \in F, a \neq 0\}$ .
9.  $Z(SL(n, F)) = \{aI : a \in F, a^n = 1\}$ .
10.  $Z(Q_8) = \{1, -1\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
11. Center of a direct product is the direct product of centers.
12. Center of a simple group is either trivial(nonabelian) or the whole group(abelian).
13. Grün's Lemma : If  $G$  is perfect, then  $Z(G/Z(G))$  is trivial.

## Important Notions

### Properties of Groups

1.  $o(a) = o(a^{-1})$

*Proof.*  $a^n = e \iff (a^{-1})^n a^n = (a^{-1})^n \iff e = (a^{-1})^n$  □

2.  $o(xax^{-1}) = o(a) = o(x^{-1}ax)$

*Proof.*  $(xax^{-1})^n = e \iff xa^n x^{-1} = e \iff a^n = x^{-1}x \iff a^n = e$  □

3.  $o(ab) = o(ba)$

*Proof.*  $(ab)^n = e \iff b(ab)^n b^{-1} = e \iff (ba)^n = e$  □

4.  $\forall a \in G, a^{-1} = a \implies G$  is abelian.

*Proof.*  $ab = a^{-1}b^{-1} = (ba)^{-1} = ba$  □

5.  $\forall a, b \in G, (ab)^2 = a^2 b^2 \iff G$  is abelian.

*Proof.*  $abab = aabb \iff bab = abb \iff ba = ab$  □

6.  $\forall a, b \in G, (ab)^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1} \iff G$  is abelian

*Proof.*  $(ab)^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1} \iff (ab)^{-1} = (ba)^{-1} \iff ab = ba$  □

7. If  $\forall a, b \in G, a^3 b^3 = (ab)^3$ , then every commutator is of order 3.

*Proof.*  $a^3 b^3 = (ab)^3 \implies a^2 b^2 = (ba)^2$ .

$$(aba^{-1}b^{-1})^2 = (a^{-1}b^{-1})^2(ab)^2 = b^{-2}(a^{-2}b^2)a^2 = b^{-2}(ba^{-1})^2a^2 = b^{-1}a^{-1}ba$$

$$(aba^{-1}b^{-1})^4 = (b^{-1}a^{-1}ba)^2 = aba^{-1}b^{-1} \implies (aba^{-1}b^{-1})^3 = e$$
 □

8.  $a^n = 1, aba^{-1} = b^2 \implies b^{2^n-1} = e$ .

*Proof.*  $(aba^{-1})^2 = ab^2a^{-1} = b^4 \implies a^2ba^{-2} = b^4 \implies a^nba^{-n} = b^{2^n}$ . □

9. Let  $a, b$  be elements of finite order, then  $ab$  is not necessarily of finite order.

10. If  $x$  commutes with  $y$ , then

$$x \text{ commutes with } y^{-1}, \text{ since } y^{-1}(xy)y^{-1} = y^{-1}(yx)y^{-1}$$

$$x^{-1} \text{ commutes with } y, \text{ since } x^{-1}(xy)x^{-1} = x^{-1}(yx)x^{-1}.$$

$$x^{-1} \text{ commutes with } y^{-1}, \text{ since } (xy)^{-1} = (yx)^{-1}.$$

11. Group  $G$  has precisely one element  $g$  of order two, then  $g$  commutes with every element of  $G$ .

*Proof.* Let  $g \in G$  such that  $o(g) = 2$ .

$$\forall x \in G, o(xgx^{-1}) = o(g) = 2 \implies xgx^{-1} = g \implies xg = gx$$
 □

### Subgroups

1. Subgroup Test :  $a^{-1}b \in H, \forall a, b \in H \implies H \leq G$ .
2. Finite Subgroup Test :  $H$  is a subgroup of a finite group if  $*$  is closed in  $H$ .
3. Group  $G$  has a element of order  $n$  iff  $G$  has a **cyclic** subgroup of order  $n$ .
4. Let  $G$  be an **abelian** group. The set  $\{g \in G : g^p = e\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . However, it is not true for nonabelian groups.  $\{g \in D_4 : g^2 = e\}$  is not a subgroup of  $D_4$ .
5. Let  $G$  be an **abelian** group of order  $n$ . If  $d|n$ , then  $G$  has a subgroup of order  $d$ . If  $d$  is square-free, then  $G$  has an element of order  $d$ .
6. Every cyclic group of order  $n$  has  $\phi(n)$  elements of order  $n$ . Suppose  $G$  has  $n_m$  elements of order  $m$ , then  $G$  has  $n_m/\phi(m)$  cyclic subgroups of order  $m$ .

If a finite abelian group  $G$  has 24 elements of order 6, then  $G$  has  $24/\phi(6) = 12$  subgroups of order 6 as abelian group of order 6 are cyclic.

7. The dihedral group  $D_n$  has  $\phi(d)$  elements of order  $d$  for every divisor  $d$  of  $n$ , except  $d = 2$ . There are either  $n$  or  $n + 1$  elements of order 2 depending on the parity of  $n$ . The number of subgroup of  $D_n = \tau(n) + \sigma(n)$ .
8.  $H, K \leq G \implies H \cap K \leq G$ . And  $H \cup K \subset HK \leq G$ .  
 $|HK| = |H||K|/|H \cap K|$ .  
 $m\mathbb{Z} \cap n\mathbb{Z} = k\mathbb{Z}$  where  $k = \text{lcm}(m, n)$ .  
 $m\mathbb{Z} + n\mathbb{Z} = k\mathbb{Z}$  where  $k = \text{gcd}(m, n)$ .

### Strange Groups

1. Smallest non-abelian group is  $S_3$ . Smallest non-cyclic group is the Klein 4-group,  $V \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Smallest non-abelian simple group is  $A_5$ . Thus,  $A_5$  is the smallest perfect group.
2.  $D_p, D_4, Q_8, A_4, \dots$  are non-abelian groups with every proper subgroup abelian.
3.  $\mathbb{C}^*$  is a multiplicative group with identity 1. Unit circle is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ . Unit circle has a unique cyclic subgroup for any order. The  $n$ th roots of unity is the cyclic subgroup of unit circle with order  $n$ .
4.  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  is torsion group which has a unique cyclic subgroup of any finite order. And every proper subgroup of  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  is finite and cyclic.
5.  $\left\langle \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix} : a \neq 0 \right\}, \times \right\rangle$  is a group with identity  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ .
6.  $\left\langle \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a \neq 0 \right\}, \times \right\rangle$  is a group with identity  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
7.  $\langle \mathbb{Q}^+, a * b = \frac{ab}{5}, \times \rangle$  is a group with identity 5.
8.  $\langle \{5, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35\}, \times_{40} \rangle$  is a group with identity 25.



9. The multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_n^\times = \{m \in \mathbb{Z}_n : \gcd(m, n) = 1\}$ .  
If it is cyclic, then it has  $\phi(\phi(n))$  generators.
10. Convergent sequences under addition is a group.
11. Group of rigid motions(rotations) of the cube is a group of order  $\binom{8}{1} \binom{3}{1} = 24$  under permutation multiplication. This group is isomorphic to  $S_4$ .

### Group Representations

1. The function  $\phi : G \rightarrow S_G$ ,  $\phi(x) = \lambda_x$ ,  $\lambda_x(g) = xg$  is the **left regular representation** of  $G$ .
2. Let  $G$  be a finite group with a generating set  $S$ . The **Cayley digraph** of  $G$  has elements of  $G$  as its vertices and generators from  $S$  as its arcs.  
The Cayley digraph for an abelian graph is symmetric.
3. A **permutation matrix** is obtained by reordering rows of an identity matrix.  
The permutation matrices  $P_{n \times n}$  under matrix multiplication forms a group which is isomorphic to  $S_n$ . By Cayley's theorem, every group  $G$  is isomorphic to a group of permutation matrices where left regular representation corresponds to left multiplication.
4. The **set theoretic group representation** using generators and their relations.  
The dihedral group with generators  $y = R_{2\pi/n}$ , rotation by  $2\pi/n$  radians and  $x = \mu$ , reflection (about the line through the center and a fixed vertex) of a regular  $n$ -gon.

$$D_n = \{x^i y^j : x^2 = y^n = 1, (xy)^2 = 1\}$$

The symmetric group with generators  $x = (1, 2)$  and  $y = (1, 2, \dots, n)$ .

$$S_n = \{x^i y^j : x^2 = y^n = 1, (yx)^{n-1} = 1\}$$

The alternating group with the set of all three cycles of the form  $x_j = (1, 2, j)$  as generating set  $S$ .

$$A_n = \left\{ \prod_{j=3}^n x_j^{n_j} : x_j^3 = 1, (x_i x_j)^2 = 1 \right\}$$

### Counter Examples

1.  $\langle \mathbb{R}^*, * \rangle$  where  $a * b = a/b$  is not associative.
2.  $\langle \mathbb{C}, * \rangle$  where  $a * b = |ab|$  has no identity element.
3.  $\langle C[0, 1] - \{0\}, \times \rangle$  is not closed. There exists a pair of functions with product 0.
4. Let  $G$  be a group and  $\mathcal{P}(G)$  be the power set of  $G$ . Define  $A * B = \{ab : a \in A, b \in B\}$ . Then  $\langle \mathcal{P}(G), * \rangle$  is a monoid with identity  $\{e\}$ . The units are the left cosets of the trivial subgroup.
5.  $\langle GL(n, F), + \rangle$  is not closed as  $I_n + (-I_n) \notin GL(n, F)$ .

### Group Homomorphisms

1.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(n) = 2n$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 0$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{Z}] = 2\mathbb{Z}$ .
2.  $\phi : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$  where  $\phi(x) = 2x$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 0$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{Q}] = \mathbb{Q}$ .
3.  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{R}^+, \times \rangle$  where  $\phi(x) = 0.5^x$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 0$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{R}] = \mathbb{R}^+$ .
4.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}, * \rangle$  where  $m * n = m + n - 1$  is a group with  $\ker(\phi) = 0$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{Z}] = \mathbb{Z}$ .  
(hint :  $\phi(n) = n + 1$ ,  $\phi(0) = 1$ ,  $x^{-1} = -x - 2$ )
5.  $\phi : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q}, * \rangle$  where  $x * y = x + y + 1$  is a group with  $\ker(\phi) = 0$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{Q}] = \mathbb{Q}$ .  
(hint :  $\phi(x) = 3x - 1$ ,  $\phi(0) = -1$ ,  $x^{-1} = -x - 2$ )
6.  $\phi : \mathbb{Q}^* \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Q} - \{-1\}, * \rangle$  where  $x * y = \frac{(x+1)(y+1)}{3} - 1$  is a group with  $\ker(\phi) = 1$  and  $\phi[\mathbb{Q}^*] = \mathbb{Q} - \{-1\}$ . (hint :  $\phi(x) = 3x - 1$ ,  $\phi(1) = 2$ ,  $x^{-1} = \frac{8-x}{x+1}$ )

### Cyclic Groups

1. Every cyclic group is abelian.

*Proof.*  $G = \langle g \rangle \implies \forall a, b \in G, ab = g^n g^m = g^m g^n = ba.$  □

2. Subgroup of cyclic group is cyclic. Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order  $n$ . The order of the subgroup generated by  $g^m$  is  $n / \gcd(n, m)$ . For each divisor  $d$  of  $n$ , there exists unique cyclic subgroup of order  $n/d$ .

The multiplicative group  $\mathbb{Z}_{25}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_{20}$  has generator 3. We have  $\gcd(20, 5) = \gcd(20, 15)$ . Clearly,  $3^5 \cong 18 \pmod{25}$  and  $3^{15} \cong 7 \pmod{25}$ . Thus,  $\langle 7 \rangle \cong \langle 18 \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$ .

3. Every proper subgroup of the Klein 4-group,  $V \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  is cyclic. However,  $V$  is not cyclic.
4. For any natural number  $n$ , there exists a cyclic group of order  $n$ . Two cyclic group of same order are isomorphic.

*Proof.* The finite group  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_n, +_n \rangle$  is cyclic with order  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and the infinite group  $\mathbb{Z}$  is cyclic. Let  $G, H$  be cyclic groups of the same order with generators  $g, h$  respectively. Then  $\phi : G \rightarrow H, g \xrightarrow{\phi} h$  is an isomorphism. □

5. An automorphism of a cyclic group is well defined by the image of a generator. Clearly,  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  has  $\phi(12) = 4$  generators and there are four distinct automorphisms.
6. For finite cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , a generator is an element with the same order as the group. However, this is not the case for infinite cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$o(g) = o(G) \not\Rightarrow \langle g \rangle \cong G$$

7. Every finite cyclic group,  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  has  $\phi(n)$  generators which are relatively prime to  $n$ . Clearly,  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$  has a non-prime generator, say 9.

8. The equation  $x^m = e$  has  $m$  solutions in any finite cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  where  $m|n$ .
9. Let  $G$  be an abelian group and  $H, K$  are cyclic subgroups of  $G$  with generators  $h, k$  respectively. Then  $\langle hk \rangle$  is a cyclic subgroup of order  $lcm(r, s)$ .
10.  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  is not cyclic.  
proof :  $o(\frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{Z}) = 2$ , where the infinite cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}$  has no such element.
11.  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  is not cyclic.  
proof :  $o(-1) = 2$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}$  don't have any element of order two.
12.  $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$  are not cyclic.  
proof : If  $\mathbb{Q}$  is cyclic, then  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  is a cyclic quotient group. But  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z}$  is not.
13. The subgroup generated by  $n$ th primitive root of unity is a cyclic subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Clearly,  $\langle (1+i)/\sqrt{2} \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_8$ .
14. The subgroup generated by any complex number which is a non-root of unity is a cyclic subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$ . Clearly  $\langle 1+i \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .

### Number Groups

1.  $\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}, n\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}_n, \mathbb{Q}_c, \mathbb{R}_c, \mathbb{Q}^+, \mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{Q}^*, \mathbb{R}^*, \mathbb{C}^*, \mathbb{Z}_n^\times$  are groups with a suitable arithmetic operators from  $\{+, \times, +_c, \times_c, +_n, \times_n\}$ .
2. Any nontrivial subgroup of  $\mathbb{Q}$  is an infinite cyclic group.
3.  $\langle \mathbb{R} - \{-1\}, * \rangle$  where  $a * b = a + b + ab$  is a group with identity 0 and  $o(-2) = 2$ .
4. The cyclic group,  $\mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} = \{g^n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  has  $\phi(d)$  elements of order  $d$  for every divisor  $d$  of  $n$ .

$$a^{-1}b \in \mathbb{Z}_n \iff \gcd(a, n) | b$$

5. Group  $\mathbb{Z}_n^\times$  is the multiplicative group of natural numbers less than  $n$  that are relatively prime to  $n$ . Thus  $|\mathbb{Z}_n^\times| = \phi(n)$ . Clearly,  $\mathbb{Z}_n^\times$  are abelian.

### Linear Groups

1.  $M_{m \times n}(F)$  is the additive group of all matrices of order  $m \times n$  with entries from the field  $F$ . When  $m = n$ , we may write  $M_n(F)$ .
2. General Linear Group,  $GL(n, F)$  is the multiplicative group of all invertible matrices of order  $n$  with entries from field  $F$ .
3. Special Linear Group,  $SL(n, F)$  is the multiplicative group of all matrices of order  $n$  and determinant 1 with entries from field  $F$ .

### 3.2.2 Permutations, Cosets & Direct Products

**Definitions 3.39.** The **symmetric group**  $S_n$  is the set of all permutation on a set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  together with the function composition operation.

The cycle  $f : (1, 2, 3) \in S_5$  maps  $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$  and fixes 4, 5. And cycle  $g : (1, 2, 5) \in S_5$  maps  $1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 1$  and fixes 3, 4. For example  $f(g(1)) = f(2) = 3$ , and  $f(g(3)) = f(3) = 5$ . Thus by function composition  $f \circ g : (1, 2, 3)(1, 2, 5) = (1, 3)(2, 5)$ .

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Theorem 3.40** (Cayley). Every group is isomorphic to a subgroup of a symmetric group.

*Proof.* The function  $\phi : G \rightarrow S_G$  defined by  $\phi(x) = \lambda_x$  where  $g \xrightarrow{\lambda_x} xg$  is an homomorphism.  $\square$

**Definitions 3.41.** Let  $\sigma$  be a bijection/permutation on a set  $A$ . The **orbits** of the permutation  $\sigma$  are the equivalent classes of the relation

$$a \sim_\sigma b \iff \exists n \in \mathbb{N}, a = \sigma^n(b)$$

**Definitions 3.42.** A permutation  $\sigma$  is a **cycle** if it has at most one orbit containing more than one element. The **length** of a cycle  $\sigma$  is the number of elements in its largest orbit.

The multiplication of disjoint cycles is commutative.

**Theorem 3.43.** Every permutation of a finite set has a unique cycle decomposition.

*Proof.* construct cycles corresponding to each orbit under the permutation  $\square$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

In short, we may write  $(1, 3, 2, 5)(6, 7)$  ignoring those which are left fixed by the permutation. And  $(1, 3, 2, 5)(6, 7) = (1, 5)(1, 2)(1, 3)(6, 7)$  is an even permutation.

**Definitions 3.44.** The **alternating group**  $A_n$  is the subgroup of all even permutations in the symmetric group  $S_n$ .

**Definitions 3.45.** Let  $H$  be a subgroup of group  $G$ . The **left coset**,  $gH$  of  $H$  containing  $g \in G$  is the set of all element of the form  $gh$  where  $h \in H$ . The **right coset**  $Hg$  of  $H$  containing  $g \in G$  is the set of all element of the form  $hg$  where  $h \in H$ .

**Theorem 3.46** (Lagrange). The order of a subgroup  $H$  of a finite group  $G$  divides the order of  $G$ .

*Proof.* The left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  are disjoint and covers  $G$ . Thus  $|H|$  must divide  $|G|$ .  $\square$

**Definitions 3.47.** **Index** of  $H$  in  $G$ ,  $(G : H)$  is the number of left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.48.** The number right cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  is same as the number of left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ .

*Proof.*  $aH = bH \iff ah_1 = bh_2 \iff (ah_1)^{-1} = (bh_2)^{-1} \iff h_1^{-1}a^{-1} = h_2^{-1}b^{-1} \iff Ha^{-1} = Hb^{-1}$ . Thus,  $aH \xrightarrow{\phi} Ha^{-1}$  is bijective.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.49.** *Let  $K \leq H \leq G$ . Then  $(G : K) = (G : H)(H : K)$ .*

**Definitions 3.50.** *Let  $G, H$  be two groups. The **direct product**  $G \times H$  is defined as the group  $\langle G \times H, * \rangle$  where  $* : (G \times H) \times (G \times H) \rightarrow (G \times H)$  such that  $(g_1, h_1) * (g_2, h_2) = (g_1g_2, h_1h_2)$ .*

**Theorem 3.51.**  $\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m \cong \mathbb{Z}_{n \times m} \iff \gcd(m, n) = 1$ .

*Proof.*  $(1, 1) \in \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$  has order  $mn$ . Thus,  $\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$  is cyclic.  $\square$

Suppose  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ . The canonical isomorphism  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{mn} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$  is given by

$$a \pmod{mn} \xrightarrow{\phi} (a \pmod{m}, a \pmod{n})$$

**Theorem 3.52.** *Let  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in G_1 \times \dots \times G_n$  and  $o(a_i) = r_i$ . Then  $o((a_1, \dots, a_n)) = \text{lcm}(r_1, \dots, r_n)$ .*

**Theorem 3.53.** *Let  $G$  be a finitely generated group. Then  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p_1^{r_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2^{r_2}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{r_k}} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}$  where the number of  $\mathbb{Z}$  is its Betti number.*

**Theorem 3.54.** *Let  $G$  be a finite abelian group with order  $n$ . If  $m|n$ , then  $G$  has a subgroup  $H$  of order  $m$ .*

*Proof.* We have,  $n = \prod P_j^{r_j}$  and  $m = \prod P_j^{s_j}$  where  $0 \leq s_j \leq r_j$ . From the structure of finitely generated abelian group  $G$ , we may derive the structure of its subgroup  $H$  of order  $m$  by diminishing the powers of primes as required.  $\square$

## Important Notions

**Definitions 3.55.** *Let  $H, K \leq G$ . The equivalent classes of the equivalence relation  $aRb \iff a = hbk, h \in H, k \in K$  are the **double cosets** of  $G$ .*

**Definitions 3.56.** *A group  $G$  is **decomposable** if  $G \cong H \times K$  where  $H, K$  are proper, nontrivial subgroups of  $G$ . Otherwise,  $G$  is indecomposable.*

Finite indecomposable groups are  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .

## Consequences of Lagrange's theorem

1. By Lagrange's theorem, every group of prime order is cyclic.
2. If  $|G| = pq$ , then every proper subgroup of  $G$  is cyclic.
3. The quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_n / \langle g \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_{\frac{n}{m}}$  where  $o(g) = m$ .

### Finite Abelian Groups

1. Finite abelian groups are finitely generated.
2. Number of abelian groups of order  $n = p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} \dots p_k^{r_k}$  is  $\prod_k B(r_k)$ .
3. Order of an abelian group  $G$  is square free, then  $G$  is cyclic.
4. Order of an element in a cyclic group  
Let  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ . Then it has order

$$o(m) = \frac{n}{\gcd(n, m)}$$

5. Order of an element in a product of Cyclic groups  
Let  $(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k) \in G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_k$ . Then

$$o(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k) = \text{lcm}(o(g_1), o(g_2), \dots, o(g_k))$$

6. Enumerating the elements of same order in a finite abelian group.

Enumerate elements of order 4 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  ?

Let  $(g, h) \in \mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  has order  $o(g, h) = 4 \iff o(g) = 4, o(h) = 1 \text{ or } 2$ . Clearly, an element  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  is of order 4 iff  $\frac{12}{\gcd(12, k)} = 4$ . For  $\gcd(12, k) = 3$ , we have  $k = 3$  or  $9$ . For  $\gcd(10, k) = 5$ , we have  $k = 5$ . For  $\gcd(10, k) = 10$ , we have  $k = 0$ . Thus, the elements are  $(3, 0), (3, 5), (9, 0)$  and  $(9, 5)$ . In other words,  $\phi(4)\phi(2) + \phi(4)\phi(1) = 4$  elements of order four in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ .

Enumerate elements of order 9 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{18} \times \mathbb{Z}_{27}$ ?

There are  $\phi(1), \phi(3), \phi(9)$  elements of order 1, 3, 9 respectively (if any<sup>3</sup>). There are  $1 + 2 + 6$  elements of order either 1, 3 or 9 in both  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_{27}$ . There are  $3 \times 9 \times 9$  elements out of which precisely  $3 \times 3 \times 3$  of them are of order either 1 or 3. Thus, there are 216 elements of order 9.

7. Let  $g \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  with  $o(g) = m$  where  $n = p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} \dots p_k^{r_k}$  and  $m = p_1^{s_1} p_2^{s_2} \dots p_k^{s_k}$  such that  $0 \leq s_j \leq r_j$ . Then  $g = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_k) \in \mathbb{Z}_{p_1^{r_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2^{r_2}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{r_k}}$  with  $o(g_j) = s_j$ . For example,  $o(15) = 12$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{36}$ . The isomorphism  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{36} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_9$  where  $\phi(a) = (a \pmod{4}, a \pmod{9})$ . Clearly  $15 \rightarrow (3, 6)$ . And  $o(3) = 4$  and  $o(6) = 3$ .
8. Let  $(g, h) \in \mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_2}}$  with  $o(g, h) = p^{r_3}$  where  $r_1 \geq r_2$ . Then,  $(\mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_2}}) / \langle (g, h) \rangle \cong$   
 $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_2-r_3}}$  when  $o(h) = o(g, h)$ .  
 $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_1-r_3}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{r_2}}$  when  $o(h) < o(g, h)$ .

For example,  $(\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) / \langle (2, 1) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_8$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) / \langle (2, 2) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ .

9. Order of an element in  $S_n$  Let  $\sigma \in S_n$  be a permutation with structure  $1^{n_1} 2^{n_2} \dots r^{n_r}$ . Then  $o(\sigma) = \text{lcm}(\{k : n_k \geq 1\})$ . Order of an element in  $A_n$  can be found using the same rule as above. Parity of permutation is the parity of  $\sum (j-1)n_j$ . Maximum order of an element in  $A_{10}$  is  $3 \times 7 = 21$ . And maximum order of an element in  $S_{10}$  is  $2 \times 3 \times 5 = 30$  where  $2^1 3^1 5^1$  is an odd permutation,  $\therefore (1 + 2 + 4)$ .  
 $A_7$  has a element of order 6 with structure  $2^2 3^1$ , since  $2 + 2 = 4$  is even parity.

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<sup>3</sup>We know that,  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  don't have any element of order 9.

10. Maximal abelian subgroup of  $S_n$   
 $S_{10}$  has maximal abelian subgroup of order 36 which is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$  and is generated by  $\{(1, 2), (3, 4, 5), (6, 7), (8, 9, 10)\}$ . It is abelian as the cycles are disjoint.
11. **Direct product form of the multiplicative group of units,  $\mathbb{Z}_n^\times$**   
 $\mathbb{Z}_{10}^\times = \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$  and  $\phi(10) = \phi(2)\phi(5) = 4$ . And  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$  as  $\langle 3 \rangle = \mathbb{Z}_{10}^\times$ .

$$\mathbb{Z}_{mn}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_m^\times \times \mathbb{Z}_n^\times \iff \gcd(m, n) = 1$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}_{2^{n+2}}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2^n}$$

$$\forall p > 2, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{Z}_{p^n}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p^{n-1}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p-1}$$

Thus,  $\mathbb{Z}_4^\times = \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_8^\times = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_{16}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ , ... Clearly,  $\phi(40) = \phi(8)\phi(5)$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_{40}^\times \cong (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2) \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ . And  $\mathbb{Z}_{1000}^\times \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{100}$ .

### Structure of a Permutation

**Definitions 3.57.** The **structure** of a permutation  $\sigma \in S_n$  is  $1^{n_1} 2^{n_2} \dots r^{n_r}$  where  $n_j$  is the number of cycles of length  $j$ .

The number of permutations of the structure  $1^{n_1} 2^{n_2} \dots r^{n_r}$  in  $S_n$  is

$$\frac{n!}{\prod_{k=1}^r n_k! k^{n_k}}$$

There are  $\frac{10!}{3! 2! 1! 2^2 3}$  elements of the structure  $1^3 2^2 3^1$ .

**Definitions 3.58.** The set of all elements of an abelian group  $G$  of finite order forms a normal subgroup called **torsion** subgroup of  $G$ .

**Definitions 3.59.** A **torsion free** group has only one element of finite order in it.

### Torsion and Torsion Free Groups

1. The torsion subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  is the set of all roots of unity. The cyclic group generated by  $z$  where  $|z| \neq 1$  is a torsion free subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ . The cyclic group generated by  $e^{2\pi i x}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R} - \mathbb{Q}$  is a torsion free subgroup of the unit circle.
2. Any finite group is a torsion group. The subgroups and quotient groups of any torsion group is also a torsion group.
3. Every infinite group has a nontrivial torsion free subgroup. The subgroups of a torsion free group is always torsion free.
4. Let  $T$  be the torsion subgroup of an abelian group  $G$ . Then the quotient group  $G/T$  is torsion free.

The group  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  has only two elements of finite order, say 1 and  $-1$ . The torsion subgroup of  $\mathbb{Q}^* \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Thus  $\mathbb{Q}^+ \cong \mathbb{Q}^*/\{1, -1\}$  is torsion free. Similarly,  $\mathbb{R}^+$  is torsion free.

5. Suppose normal subgroup  $H$  contains the torsion subgroup of a group  $G$ . Then  $G/H$  is torsion free. Thus  $\mathbb{C}^*/U \cong \mathbb{R}^+$  is torsion free.
6. There is no bound for the order of elements in this torsion group.  
 $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Q}_1$  is a torsion group and  $o(p/q + \mathbb{Z}) = q$ .  
 $\mathbb{Q}_\pi$  is torsion free.

### 3.2.3 Homomorphisms & Factor Groups

**Definitions 3.60.** Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism. Then  $\phi[G]$  is the range of  $\phi$ .

Compositions of group homomorphisms is again a group homomorphism.

**Definitions 3.61.** Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a group homomorphism. Then, the **kernel** of  $\phi$ ,

$$\ker(\phi) = \phi^{-1}[e'] = \{g \in G : \phi(g) = e'\}$$

**Properties of Homomorphisms** Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ .

1.  $\phi(e) = e'$ .
2.  $\phi(a^{-1}) = \phi(a)^{-1}$ .
3.  $H \leq G \implies \phi[H] \leq \phi[G] \leq G'$ .
4.  $K' \leq \phi[G] \implies \phi^{-1}[K'] \leq G$ .
5. Let  $N = \ker(\phi)$ . Then  $\phi^{-1}(\phi(a)) = aN$ . And  $\phi$  is injective iff  $N$  is trivial.
6. Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  with  $\ker(\phi) = N$ .  
 Rule for Kernel :  $G/N \cong \phi[G] \implies o(G)/o(N) = o(\phi[G]) \implies o(G)|o(N)o(G')$   
 Rule for Generators :  $(gh)^n = e \implies \phi(gh^n) = e' \implies o(\phi(g)\phi(h))|o(G)$ ,
7.  $T : \mathbb{Z}_8 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  where  $T(x) = 4x$  is not a homomorphism (by Rule of generators).  
**Number of surjection homomorphisms  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m$  is  $\phi(m)$  where  $m|n$ .**
8. Given  $G, G'$  and normal subgroup  $N$ . The homomorphism  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  with  $\ker(\phi) = N$  exists only if  $o(G)/o(N) < o(G')$ . (Rule of Kernel)  
 proof :  $\nexists \phi : S_4 \rightarrow S_3$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_2$  as  $S_4/\mathbb{Z}_2$  is too big to be a subgroup of  $S_3$ .
9. If  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  is surjective and  $G$  is cyclic(abelian), then  $G'$  is cyclic(abelian).
10. If  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  is injective, then  $G \cong \phi[G] \leq G'$ .  
 There does not exist an injective homomorphism,  $\phi : S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$  as  $\phi : S_n \rightarrow \phi[S_n]$  where  $\phi[S_n] \leq \mathbb{C}^*$  is an isomorphism. However, subgroups of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  is abelian.
11.  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  where  $\phi(x) = x^m$  is an automorphism iff  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ .

**Definitions 3.62.** Let  $H \leq G$ .  $H$  is **normal** in  $G$  if  $gH = Hg$  for every element  $g \in G$ .

**Definitions 3.63.** Let  $H \leq G$ .  $H$  is a **characteristic subgroup** if  $\phi[H] \subset H$  for every automorphism  $\phi$  on  $G$ .



1. Intersection of normal subgroups are again normal.
2. For every subset  $S$  of a group  $G$ , there exists a minimal normal subgroup of  $G$  containing  $S$ .
3. Subgroup of index two is normal (if exists).
4. Subgroups of the center  $Z(G)$  are normal.  
 $H = \{I_3, 2I_3, 4I_3\} \trianglelefteq GL(3, F_{11})$  as  $H \leq Z(GL(3, F_{11})) = \{aI_3 : a \in F_{11}^*\}$
5.  $\forall k|n, \{m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^\times : m \cong 1 \pmod{k}\} \trianglelefteq \mathbb{Z}_n^\times$   
 $\{1, 7, 13, 19\} \trianglelefteq \mathbb{Z}_{30}^\times$  where  $k = 6$ .
6. **Characteristic subgroups are normal.**
7. Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism. Then  $\ker(\phi) = N$  is normal subgroup of  $G$ .
8. Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ . If  $N \trianglelefteq G$ , then  $\phi[N] \trianglelefteq \phi[G]$ . If  $N' \trianglelefteq G'$ , then  $\phi^{-1}(N') \trianglelefteq G$ .
9. Intermediate subgroup condition : Let  $K \leq H \leq G$  and  $K \trianglelefteq G$  then  $K \trianglelefteq H$ .
10. Let  $K \leq H \leq G$ . If  $H, K$  are normal subgroups of  $G$ , then  $G/H \trianglelefteq G/K$ .
11.  $K \trianglelefteq H \trianglelefteq G \not\Rightarrow K \trianglelefteq G$

*Proof.*  $D_5 \trianglelefteq D_{10} \trianglelefteq D_{20}$ . But  $D_5 \not\trianglelefteq D_{20}$ . □

12. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $N \trianglelefteq G$ . Then  $HN = \{hn : h \in H, n \in N\}$  is the smallest subgroup of  $G$  containing both  $N$  and  $H$ .
13. Let  $H, K$  be normal subgroups of  $G$ , then  $HK$  is normal in  $G$ .
14. Let  $H, K$  be normal subgroups of  $G$  such that  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ . Then  $hk = kh$ .
15.  $Z(G) \trianglelefteq G$  and  $Z(G/Z(G)) \trianglelefteq G/Z(G)$ .
16. Let  $\gamma : G \rightarrow G/Z(G)$ ,  $\gamma(g) = gZ(G)$ . Then  $\gamma^{-1}(Z(G/Z(G))) \trianglelefteq G$ .

**Definitions 3.64.** Let  $N$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . The **quotient group**  $G/N$  is the set of all left cosets of  $N$  with binary operation  $g_1N * g_2N = (g_1g_2)N$ .

**Theorem 3.65.** Let  $N \trianglelefteq G$ .  $\gamma : G \rightarrow G/N$  where  $\gamma(g) = gN$  is canonical homomorphism with  $\ker(\gamma) = N$ .

**Theorem 3.66.** Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism with  $\ker(\phi) = N$ . Then there exists a canonical homomorphism  $\gamma : G \rightarrow G/N$  where  $\gamma(g) = gN$  such that  $G/N \cong \phi[G]$ .

**Theorem 3.67.** Let  $G, G'$  be groups with normal subgroups  $H, H'$ . Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism with  $\phi[H] \leq H'$ . Then there exists an induced canonical homomorphism  $\phi_* : G/H \rightarrow G'/H'$  where  $\phi_*(gH) = \phi(g)H'$ .

**Definitions 3.68.** The map  $x \rightarrow gxg^{-1}$  is the **inner automorphism** of  $G$  by  $g$ .

1. The set of all inner automorphisms on  $G$  is a group, say  $\text{Inn}(G)$ .

2.  $\text{Inn}(G) \cong G/Z(G)$ .
3.  $\text{Inn}(G) \trianglelefteq \text{Aut}(G)$ .
4. Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group of order  $n$ . Then  $\text{Aut}(G) \cong \mathbb{Z}_n^\times$ .  
 $\text{Aut}(V) \cong S_3$ .  
 $\text{Aut}(Q_8) \cong S_4$ .  
 $\text{Aut}(F \times F \times \dots F) \cong GL(n, F)$ .  
 $\text{Aut}(A_n) \cong \text{Aut}(S_n) \cong S_n, n \neq 6, n > 2$   
 $\text{Aut}(A_6) \cong \text{Aut}(S_6) \cong S_6 \rtimes Z_2$
5. Outer automorphism group is the quotient group,  $\text{Out}(G) \cong \text{Aut}(G)/\text{Inn}(G)$ .
6. A group  $G$  is complete if both center  $Z(G)$  and outer automorphism group  $\text{Out}(G)$  are trivial.  
 $S_n$  is complete,  $n \geq 3, n \neq 6$ .  
 If  $G$  is a nonabelian simple group, then  $\text{Aut}(G)$  is complete.
7.  $G \cong \text{Aut}(G) \not\Rightarrow G$  is complete.

*Proof.*  $D_4 \cong \text{Aut}(D_4)$ ,  $D_4$  is not complete. □

**Definitions 3.69.** The **conjugacy class** of  $x$ ,  $Cl(x) = \{gxg^{-1} : g \in G\}$ .

**Definitions 3.70.** Let  $H, K \leq G$ . The subgroups are conjugates if  $\exists g \in G, K = i_g[H]$ .

1. Conjugacy is an equivalence relation on the set of all subgroups of  $G$ .
2. Normal subgroups are alone in their conjugacy equivalence class.

**Definitions 3.71.** A group  $G$  is simple if it does not have a proper, nontrivial, normal subgroup.

1.  $M$  is a maximal normal subgroup of  $G$  iff  $G/M$  is simple.
2. Abelian simple groups are cyclic groups of prime order, say  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ .
3.  $G/Z(G)$  is cyclic iff  $G$  is abelian.

*Proof.* Let  $gZ(G)$  be a generator of  $G/Z(G)$ . Let  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ . Then  $g_1 = g^{n_1}z_1$  and  $g_2 = g^{n_2}z_2$  where  $z_1, z_2 \in Z(G)$ . Thus,  $g_1g_2 = g_2g_1$ . Therefore,  $G$  is abelian. If  $G$  is abelian, then  $Z(G) \cong G$  and  $G/Z(G)$  is trivial, thus cyclic. □

**Definitions 3.72.** An element  $g \in G$  is a **commutator** if  $g = aba^{-1}b^{-1}$  for some  $a, b \in G$ .

1. The set of all commutators in a group  $G$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , say **commutator subgroup**  $C$ .

2. Commutator subgroup  $C$  is the smallest normal subgroup of  $G$  such that  $G/C$  is abelian.
3. Let  $N \trianglelefteq G$ .  $G/N$  is abelian iff  $C \leq N$ .
4. Commutator subgroup of a simple group is either trivial(abelian) or the whole group(nonabelian).
5. Commutator subgroup of  $S_n$  is  $A_n$ .

**Definitions 3.73.** A group is **perfect** if the commutator subgroup is the whole group.

1. Any nonabelian, simple group is perfect.
2. Direct product of nonabelian simple groups is perfect but not simple.
3.  $SL(2, F_5)$  is a perfect group which is not simple.

**Definitions 3.74.** An **action** of group  $G$  on a set  $X$  is a function  $* : G \times X \rightarrow X$  where

1.  $\forall x \in X, ex = x$
2.  $\forall x \in X, \forall g_1, g_2 \in G, (g_1 g_2)x = g_1(g_2 x)$

The set  $X$  is  $G$ -set if  $G$  acts on  $X$ . Let  $S \subset G$  such that  $\forall s \in S, Gs \subset S$ . Then  $S$  is a sub  $G$ -set.

**Theorem 3.75.** Let  $X$  be a  $G$ -set. Then  $\phi : G \rightarrow S_X$  where  $\phi(g) = \sigma_g, \sigma_g(x) = gx$  is the group action induced homomorphism.

1.  $\phi$  is the permutation representation of  $G$  induced by the group action of  $G$  on  $X$ .
2. Group action is **faithful** if  $e \in G$  is the only element that fixes every  $x \in X$ .

For a faithful group action, the kernel of the induced homomorphism is trivial.

3. Group action is **transitive** if  $\forall x_1, x_2 \in X, \exists g \in G, gx_1 = x_2$ .
4. Every group  $G$  is a  $G$ -set where the action is both faithful and transitive.
5. Let  $H \leq G$ .

Conjugation is an action of  $G$  on  $H$ , say  $(g, h) \rightarrow ghg^{-1}$ .

Left multiplication is an action of  $G$  on  $H$ , say  $(g, h) \rightarrow gh$ .

6. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $L_H$  be the set of left cosets of  $H$ .  
 $L_H$  is a  $G$ -set under conjugation, say  $(g, aH) \rightarrow g(aH)g^{-1}$ .

7. Let  $V(F)$  be a vector space. Then  $V$  is an  $F^*$ -set.
8. Disjoint union of  $G$ -sets is also a  $G$ -set.
9.  $G_x$  is the **isotropy subgroup** of  $G$  containing all elements that fix  $x$ .
10.  $X_g$  is the subset of  $X$  fixed by  $g \in G$ .

11. The relation  $x_1 \sim_g x_2 \iff gx_1 = x_2$  is an equivalence relation on  $X$ .
12. The equivalence classes of the above relation,  $Gx$  is the **orbit** of  $x$  in a  $G$ -set  $X$ ,
13. Orbit Stabiliser theorem :  $|Gx| = (G : G_x)$
14. Burnside's Formula,  $r|G| = \sum_{g \in G} |X_g|$

## Important Notions

### Group Homomorphisms

1.  $\phi : S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  where  $\phi(\sigma) = 1$  if the  $\sigma$  is an odd permutation and  $\phi(\sigma) = 2$  otherwise. Then  $\ker(\phi) = A_n$ .
2. Evaluation Homomorphism,  $\phi_c : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\phi_c(f) = f(c)$  where  $F$  is the additive group of all functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
3.  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  where  $\phi(v) = Av$ ,  $A \in M_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ .
4. The trace,  $tr : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
5. The trace,  $tr : M(n, F) \rightarrow F$ . Then  $\ker(tr)$  is  $n^2 - 1$  dimensional over  $F$ .
6. Determinant  $\det : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\det(A) = |A|$  with  $\ker(\det) = SL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and  $\det[GL(n, \mathbb{R})] \cong \mathbb{R}^*$ .
7. Determinant  $\det : GL(n, F_q) \rightarrow F_q^*$  where  $\det(A) = |A|$  with  $\ker(\det) = SL(n, F_q)$  and  $\det[GL(n, F_q)] \cong F_q^*$ .

$$|GL(n, F_q)| = \prod_{r=0}^{n-1} (q^n - q^r)$$

$$|SL(n, F_q)| = \frac{|GL(n, F_q)|}{q-1} \text{ since } GL(n, F_q)/SL(n, F_q) \cong F_q^*$$

8.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_n^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_k^\times$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^\times : m \cong 1 \pmod{k}\}$ .
9.  $\phi_r : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi_r(n) = rn$ .  $\phi_0$  is trivial,  $\phi_1$  is identity,  $\phi_{-1}$  is surjective.
10. Projection map  $\pi_i : \prod G_j \rightarrow G_i$  where  $\pi_i(g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n) = g_i$ .
11.  $\sigma : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\sigma(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$  and  $F$  is the additive group of all continuous functions  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
12.  $\gamma : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$  where  $\gamma(m) = r$ ,  $m = qn + r$ ,  $0 \leq r < n$ .
13.  $\phi : \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\phi(z) = |z|$ . Left cosets  $aN$  are circles of radius  $a$  about origin.
14. Let  $D$  be the set of all differentiable function. Define  $\phi : D \rightarrow F$  where  $\phi(f) = f'$ . Left cosets  $fN$  are  $f(x) + C$ .
15.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\phi(n) = n$ .

16.  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(x) = [x]$  with  $\ker(\phi) = [0, 1)$ .
17.  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\phi(x) = |x|$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{1, -1\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
18.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  where  $\phi(n) \cong n \pmod{2}$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 2, 4\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$ .
19.  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\phi(x) = 2^x$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0\}$ .
20. Injection map,  $\phi_i : G_i \rightarrow \prod G_j$  where  $\phi_i(g) = (e_1, e_2, \dots, ge_i, \dots, e_n)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{e_i\}$ .
21.  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  where  $\phi(g) = g^{-1}$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{e\}$ .
22.  $\phi : F \rightarrow F$  where  $\phi(f) = f''$  where  $F$  is the set of all functions  $f$  having derivatives of all orders with  $\ker(\phi) = \{ax + b : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .
23.  $\phi : F \rightarrow F$  where  $\phi(f) = \int_0^4 f(x) dx$  where  $F$  is the set of all continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
24.  $\phi : F \rightarrow F$  where  $\phi(f) = 3f$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0\}$ .
25.  $\phi : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\phi(f) = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$  where  $F$  is the multiplicative group of continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$ .
26.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_7$  where  $\phi(1) = 4$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 7\mathbb{Z}$ .
27.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  where  $\phi(1) = 6$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 5\mathbb{Z}$ .
28.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S_8$  where  $\phi(1) = (1, 4, 2, 6)(2, 5, 7)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = 12\mathbb{Z}$ .
29.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{10} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{20}$  where  $\phi(1) = 8$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 5\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
30.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{24} \rightarrow S_8$  where  $\phi(1) = (1, 4, 6, 7)(2, 5)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 4, 8, 12, 16, 20\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_6$ .
31.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(1, 0) = 3$ ,  $\phi(0, 1) = -5$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \langle (5, 3) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .
32.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(1, 0) = (2, -3)$  and  $\phi(0, 1) = (-1, 5)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{(0, 0)\}$ .
33.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S_{10}$  where  $\phi(1, 0) = (3, 5)(2, 4)$  and  $\phi(0, 1) = (1, 7)(6, 10, 8, 9)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \langle (2, 4) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .
34.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_5$  where  $\phi(1) = 0$  with  $\ker \phi = \mathbb{Z}_{12}$ .
35.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4$  where
  - $\phi(1) = 0$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_{12}$
  - $\phi(1) = 1$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 4, 8\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$
  - $\phi(1) = 2$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 6\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$
  - $\phi(1) = 3$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0, 4, 8\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$

36.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$  where

$$\phi(1, 0) = (0, 0), \phi(0, 1) = (0, 0) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$$

$$\phi(1, 0) = (1, 0), \phi(0, 1) = (0, 0) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0\} \times \mathbb{Z}_4$$

$$\phi(1, 0) = (0, 0), \phi(0, 1) = (1, 0) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \{0, 2\} \cong V$$

$$\phi(1, 0) = (1, 0), \phi(0, 1) = (1, 0) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0\} \times \{0, 2\}$$

37.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(1) = 0$

38.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow S_3$  where

$$\phi(1) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_3$$

$$\phi(1) = (1, 2, 3) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0\}$$

$$\phi(1) = (1, 3, 2) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0\}$$

39.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S_3$  where  $\phi(1) = ()$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}$ .

40.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 2\mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(1, 0) = 2s$ ,  $\phi(0, 1) = 2t$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0\}$ ,  $s, t \neq 0$ .

41.  $\phi : 2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  where  $\phi(2) = (s, t)$  with  $\ker(\phi) = \{0\}$ ,  $s, t \neq 0$ .

42.  $\phi : D_4 \rightarrow S_3$  where

$$\phi(R_{90}) = (), \phi(\mu) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = D_4.$$

$$\phi(R_{90}) = (i, j), \phi(\mu) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0, R_{180}, \mu, R_{180}\mu\}.$$

$$\phi(R_{90}) = () \text{ or } \phi(\mu) = (i, j) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0, R_{90}, R_{180}, R_{270}\}.$$

$$\phi(R_{90}) = (i, j) \text{ or } \phi(\mu) = (i, j) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{0, R_{90}\mu, R_{180}, R_{270}\mu\}.$$

$$\phi : D_4 \rightarrow S_3, \ker(\phi) \not\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \text{ since } S_3 \text{ don't have a subgroup isomorphic to } D_4/\mathbb{Z}_2$$

43.  $\phi : S_3 \rightarrow S_4$  where

$$\phi(1, 2) = (), \phi(1, 2, 3) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = S_3.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (i, j), \phi(1, 2, 3) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{(), (1, 2, 3), (1, 3, 2)\}.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (), \phi(1, 2, 3) = (i, j, k) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = k\{(), (1, 2)\}.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (i, j), \phi(1, 2, 3) = (i, j, k) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{()\}.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (i, j)(k, l), \phi(1, 2, 3) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = \{(), (1, 2, 3), (1, 3, 2)\}.$$

44.  $\phi : S_4 \rightarrow S_3$  where

$$\phi(1, 2) = (), \phi(1, 2, 3, 4) = () \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = S_4.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (i, j), \phi(1, 2, 3, 4) = (i, j) \text{ with } \ker(\phi) = A_4.$$

$$\phi(1, 2) = (i, j), \phi(1, 2, 3, 4) = (i, k) \text{ is surjective with } \ker(\phi) = \{(), (1, 3)(2, 4), (1, 2)(3, 4), (1, 4)(2, 3)\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \cong V.$$

**Counter Examples**

1.  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_9 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  where  $\phi(n) \cong n \pmod{2}$ . But,  $\phi(2+8) \neq \phi(2) + \phi(8)$ .
2.  $\phi : M_n(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $\phi(A) = \det(A)$ . However,  $\det(A+B) \neq \det(A) + \det(B)$ .
3.  $\phi : GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$  where  $\phi(A) = \text{tr}(A)$ . However,  $\text{tr}(AB) \neq \text{tr}(A)\text{tr}(B)$ .
4.  $\phi : S_3 \rightarrow S_4$  where  $\phi(1, 2) = (1, 2)$ ,  $\phi(1, 2, 3) = (1, 3, 4)$  is not a homomorphism.  
Let  $\sigma = (1, 2)(1, 2, 3) = (2, 3)$ ,  $\phi(\sigma) = \phi(1, 2)\phi(1, 2, 3) = (1, 3, 4, 2)$  and  $\phi(\sigma^2) \neq ()$ .
5.  $\phi : S_3 \rightarrow S_4$  where  $\phi(1, 2) = (1, 2)(3, 4)$ ,  $\phi(1, 2, 3) = (1, 2, 3)$  is not as well.  
Let  $\sigma = (1, 2)(1, 2, 3) = (2, 3)$ ,  $\phi(\sigma) = \phi(1, 2)\phi(1, 2, 3) = (2, 4, 3)$  and  $\phi(\sigma^2) \neq ()$ .
6.  $\phi(1, 2) = (i, j)$ ,  $\phi(1, 2, 3, 4) = ()$ .  
Let  $\sigma = (2, 3, 4) = (1, 2)(1, 2, 3, 4)$ . Then  $\phi(\sigma) = (i, j)$  and  $\phi(\sigma^3) \neq ()$ .
7.  $\phi(1, 2) = ()$ ,  $\phi(1, 2, 3, 4) = (1, 2)$ .  
Let  $\sigma = (1, 2)(1, 2, 3, 4) = (2, 3, 4)$ .  $\phi(\sigma) = (1, 2)$  and  $\phi(\sigma^3) \neq ()$ .

**Special Homomorphisms**

1. There are two homomorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}$  onto  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  $\phi_1(n) = n$  and  $\phi_2(n) = -n$ .
2. There are countably many homomorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}$  into  $\mathbb{Z}$ .  $\phi_r(n) = rn$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
3. There is a unique homomorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}$  into  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ .  $\phi(n) \cong n \pmod{2}$ .
4.  $\phi_g : G \rightarrow G$  where  $\phi_g(x) = gx$  is a homomorphism only when  $g = e$ .
5.  $\phi_g : G \rightarrow G$  where  $\phi_g(x) = gxg^{-1}$  is a homomorphism with  $\ker(\phi_g) = \{e\}$ .
6. There exists exactly 24 surjective homomorphisms from  $S_4$  onto  $S_3$ . However, the  $\ker(\phi) = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  as it is the only normal subgroup of  $S_4$  with order 4.
7. The field  $\left\langle \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, +, \times \right\rangle \cong \mathbb{C}$  where  $\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & -b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}\right) = a + ib$ .

**Quotient Groups**

1.  $\mathbb{R}/n\mathbb{R} \cong \{e\}$  where  $n\mathbb{R} = \{nr : r \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .
2.  $S_n/A_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $n > 1$ .
3.  $A_4/V = \{[V], (1, 2)[V], (1, 2, 3, 4)[V]\} \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$ .
4.  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6)/\langle(0, 1)\rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$ .
5.  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6)/\langle(0, 2)\rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
6.  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6)/\langle(2, 3)\rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ .
7.  $D_n/\mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $n > 2$ . And  $D_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_n \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
8.  $\mathbb{Z}_n^\times/N \cong \mathbb{Z}_k^\times$  where  $N = \{m \in \mathbb{Z}_n^\times : m \cong 1 \pmod{k}\}$ .

9. Factor groups of cyclic groups are cyclic.  $\mathbb{Z}_n/\mathbb{Z}_d \cong \mathbb{Z}_{n/d}$ ,  $d|n$ .
10.  $F/K \leq F$  where  $F$  is the additive group of all continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $K$  is the subgroup of all constant functions.
11.  $F^*/K^* \leq F^*$  where  $F^*$  is the multiplicative group of all continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(x) \neq 0$  and  $K^*$  is the subgroup of all nonzero constant functions.

### Maximal Normal Subgroups

1.  $S_n : A_n$ ,  $n > 5$   
 $S_4 : A_4, \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$
2.  $A_4 : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$   
 $A_n$  is simple,  $n > 4$ .
3.  $D_n : D_{n/2}, \mathbb{Z}_n, D_d$  where  $d|n$ ,  $n > 2$ .  
 $D_4$  is the only dihedral group in which  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  is normal. (index 2)

### Order of Quotient Groups

1.  $\mathbb{Z}_6/\langle 3 \rangle$ . We have  $|H| = o(3) = 6/\gcd(6, 3) = 2$  and  $|G/H| = |G|/|H| = 6/2 = 3$
2.  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12})/(\langle 2 \rangle \times \langle 2 \rangle)$ . We have,  $o(2) = 4/\gcd(4, 2) = 2$  and  $o(2) = 12/\gcd(12, 2) = 6$ . And  $|G/H| = 48/12 = 4$ .
3.  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)/\langle (2, 1) \rangle$ . We have,  $o(2, 1) = \text{lcm}(o(2), o(1)) = \text{lcm}(2, 2) = 2$ . And  $|G/H| = 8/2 = 4$ .
4.  $(\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)/\{0\} \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . Clearly,  $|G/H| = 15/5 = 3$ .
5.  $(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4)/\langle (1, 1) \rangle$ . We have,  $o(1, 1) = \text{lcm}(o(1), o(1)) = \text{lcm}(2, 4) = 4$ . And  $|G/H| = 8/4 = 2$ .
6.  $(\mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{18})/\langle (4, 3) \rangle$ . We have  $o(4, 3) = \text{lcm}(o(4), o(3)) = \text{lcm}(3, 6) = 6$ . And  $|G/H| = 12 \times 18/6 = 36$ .
7.  $(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times S_3)/\langle (1, \rho_1) \rangle$  where  $\rho_1 = (1, 2, 3)$ . We have  $o(1, \rho_1) = \text{lcm}(o(1), o(\rho_1)) = \text{lcm}(2, 3) = 6$ . And  $|G/H| = 12/6 = 2$ .
8.  $(\mathbb{Z}_{11} \times \mathbb{Z}_{15})/\langle (1, 1) \rangle$ . Clearly  $o(1, 1) = 11 \times 15$ . And  $|G/G| = 1$ .

### Order of an element in the quotient group

1.  $5 + \langle 4 \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{12}/\langle 4 \rangle$ .  $4 \times 5 + \langle 4 \rangle = 0 + \langle 4 \rangle$ .
2.  $26 + \langle 12 \rangle \in \mathbb{Z}_{60}/\langle 12 \rangle$ .  $6 \times (2 + 24) + \langle 12 \rangle = 0 + \langle 12 \rangle$ .
3.  $(2, 1) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle \in (\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_6)/\langle (1, 1) \rangle$ .  $3 \times [(1, 0) + (1, 1) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle] = (0, 0) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle$ .
4.  $(3, 1) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle \in (\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4)/\langle (1, 1) \rangle$ .  $2 \times [(2, 0) + (1, 1) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle] = (0, 0) + \langle (1, 1) \rangle$ .
5.  $(3, 3) + \langle (1, 2) \rangle \in (\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_8)/\langle (1, 2) \rangle$ .  $8 \times [(2, 1) + (1, 2) + \langle (1, 2) \rangle] = (0, 0) + \langle (1, 2) \rangle$ .
6.  $(2, 0) + \langle (4, 4) \rangle \in (\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_8)/\langle (4, 4) \rangle$ .  $3 \times [(2, 0) + \langle (4, 4) \rangle] = (0, 0) + \langle (4, 4) \rangle$ .



### Conjugate Subgroups

1.  $i_{\rho_1}[H]$  where  $H = \{\rho_0, \mu_1\}$  and  $\mu_1 = (2, 3)$ .  
We have,  $i_{\rho_1}(\mu) = (1, 2, 3)(2, 3)(1, 3, 2) = (1, 3) = \mu_2$ . Thus,  $i_{\rho_1}[H] = \{\rho_0, \mu_u\}$ .

### Group $G$ characterised by $G/Z(G)$

1. If  $G$  is non-abelian, finite group then  $|Z(G)| \leq \frac{1}{4}|G|$ . Otherwise  $G/Z(G)$  is a group of order 1, 2 or 3. And groups of order 1, 2, 3 are cyclic.
2. If  $G$  is non-abelian, then  $Z(G)$  is not a maximal subgroup of  $G$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $Z(G)$  is a maximal subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $G/Z(G)$  has no nontrivial subgroups. That is,  $G/Z(G)$  is of prime order and thus cyclic which is not possible as  $G$  is non-abelian.  $\square$

3. For  $A_5, S_3, \dots$ , the group  $G/Z(G)$  is non-abelian.

### Group Actions

- 1.

**Definitions 3.76.** Let  $G$  be a group. The dual group of  $G$ ,  $\hat{G}$  is the abelian group of all homomorphisms  $\phi : G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ .

$$\widehat{A \times B} \cong \hat{A} \times \hat{B}$$

### 3.2.4 Advanced Group Theory

#### Isomorphism Theorems

1.  $\forall \phi : G \rightarrow G', \exists \gamma_N : G \rightarrow G/N, \phi = \mu\gamma$  where  $N = \ker(\phi)$  and  $\phi[G] \xrightarrow{\mu} G/N$ .
2. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $N \trianglelefteq G$ . Then  $(HN)/N \cong H/(H \cap N)$ .  
 $|HN| = |H||N|/|H \cap N|$ .  
If  $H \cap N = \{e\}$ , then  $|HN| = |H||N|$ .
3. Let  $K \leq H \leq G$  and  $H, K$  are normal subgroups of  $G$ . Then  $G/H \cong (G/K)/(H/K)$ .

**Definitions 3.77.** A **subnormal series** of a group  $G$  is a finite sequence  $\{H_i\}_{i=0}^n$  such that  $H_i \trianglelefteq H_{i+1}$ ,  $H_0 = \{e\}$  and  $H_n = G$ .

**Definitions 3.78.** A **normal series** of a group  $G$  is a finite sequence  $\{H_i\}_{i=0}^n$  such that  $H_i \trianglelefteq G$ ,  $H_0 = \{e\}$  and  $H_n = G$ .

**Definitions 3.79.** A subnormal(normal) series of a group  $G$  is a **composition(principal) series** of group  $G$  if every quotient group  $H_{i+1}/H_i$  is simple.

**Definitions 3.80.** A composition series of a group  $G$  is **solvable** if every quotient group  $H_{i+1}/H_i$  is abelian.

**Definitions 3.81.** The ascending central series of the group  $G$  is  $\{e\} \leq Z(G) \leq Z_1(G) \leq Z_2(G) \dots$  where  $Z_1(G) = \gamma^{-1}(Z(G/Z(G)))$ ,  $Z_i(G) = \gamma_1^{-1}(Z(G/Z_1(G))) \dots$  and  $\gamma : G \rightarrow G/Z(G)$ ,  $\gamma(g) = gZ(G)$  and  $\gamma_1 : G \rightarrow G/Z_1(G)$ ,  $\gamma_1(g) = gZ_1(G), \dots$

1. Zassenhaus Lemma (Butterfly Lemma) : Let  $H^* \trianglelefteq H$  and  $K^* \trianglelefteq K$ . Then

$$H^*(H \cap K^*) \trianglelefteq H^*(H \cap K),$$

$$K^*(H^* \cap K) \trianglelefteq K^*(H \cap K),$$

$$(H^* \cap K)(H \cap K^*) \trianglelefteq (H \cap K), \text{ and}$$

$$H^*(H \cap K)/H^*(H \cap K^*) \cong K^*(H \cap K)/K^*(H^* \cap K) \cong (H \cap K)/(H^* \cap K)(H \cap K^*)$$

2. Schreier Theorem : Any two subnormal series of a group  $G$  have isomorphic refinements.
3. Jordan-Hölder Theorem : Any two composition(principal) series of a group  $G$  are isomorphic.
4. Every normal subgroup  $N$  of  $G$  belongs to some composition series of the group  $G$ .
5. Finite product of solvable groups is solvable.

**Definitions 3.82.** If every element of  $G$  has order a power of prime  $p$ , then  $G$  is a  **$p$ -group**. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $H$  is a  $p$ -group, then  $H$  is a  **$p$ -subgroup** of  $G$ .

**Definitions 3.83.** Let  $G$  be a group and  $H \leq G$ . The **normaliser**  $N[H]$  of  $H$  is the largest subgroup of  $G$  such that  $H \trianglelefteq N[H]$ .

**Definitions 3.84.** Maximal  $p$ -subgroup is a **Sylow  $p$ -subgroup** of  $G$ .

**Definitions 3.85.** The **class equation** of  $G$  is  $|G| = c + n_{c+1} + \dots + n_r$  where  $n_j$  is the length of  $j$ th orbit in the partition of  $G$  under conjugation and  $c = |Z(G)|$  is the number of element that are alone in their conjugacy class.

1. The set of all Sylow  $p$ -subgroups of  $G$ ,  $Syl_p(G)$  is a  $G$ -set with conjugation action.
2. Let  $X$  be a finite  $G$ -set and  $|G| = p^n$ . Then  $|X| \equiv |X_G| \pmod{p}$ .
3. Cauchy's theorem : Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $p$  divides the order of  $G$ , then  $G$  has element  $g$  of order  $p$ .
4. Let  $H$  be a  $p$ -subgroup of a finite group  $G$ . Then  $(N[H] : H) \equiv (G : H) \pmod{p}$ .

If  $p$  divides the index of  $H$  in  $G$ ,  $(G : H)$ , then  $N[H] \neq H$ .

$N[H]$  is isomorphic to the group of all inner automorphisms  $G$  that map  $H$  onto itself.

5. The class equation of various groups,

$$G : n = n, \text{ if } G \text{ is abelian.}$$

$$G : p^3 = p + p + \dots + p, \text{ if } G \text{ non-abelian.}$$

$$S_3 : 6 = 1 + 2 + 3.$$

$$S_4 : 24 = 1 + 3 + 8 + 6 + 6.$$

$$S_5 : 120 = 1 + 10 + 15 + 20 + 20 + 24 + 30.$$

$$A_4 : 12 = 1 + 3 + 4 + 4.$$

$$A_5 : 60 = 1 + 20 + 12 + 12 + 15.$$

$$D_4 : 8 = 2 + 2 + 2 + 2.$$

$$D_5 : 10 = 1 + 2 + 2 + 5.$$

$$D_6 : 12 = 2 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 3.$$

$$Q_8 : 8 = 2 + 2 + 2 + 2.$$

6. Distinct groups can have the same class equation.

### Sylow Theorems

1. If  $|G| = p^n m$ , then  $\{H_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is a subnormal series such that  $|H_i| = p^i$  and  $H_i \leq G$ .
2. Let  $P_1, P_2$  be Sylow  $p$ -subgroups of a finite group  $G$ . Then  $P_1, P_2$  are conjugate subgroups of  $G$ .
3. Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $p$  divides the order of  $G$ . Then the number of Sylow  $p$ -subgroups,  $n_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  and  $n_p | o(G)$ .

### Applications of Sylow theorems

1. Wilson's theorem :  $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ .  
 $S_p$  has  $(p-2)!$  Sylow  $p$ -subgroups. Clearly,  $(p-2)! \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$  and theorem holds.
2. Nonabelian group of order  $pq$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_q \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ . It has  $q$  Sylow- $p$  subgroups.
3. Sylow  $p$ -subgroups are conjugates. Suppose  $|G| = 36$  with four Sylow 3-subgroups (of order 9). Then either they are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_9$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ .

### Important Notions

#### $HN$ subgroups

1.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{24}$ ,  $H = \langle 4 \rangle$ ,  $N = \langle 6 \rangle$ .  $HN = \langle 2 \rangle$ .
2.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{36}$ ,  $H = \langle 6 \rangle$ ,  $N = \langle 9 \rangle$ .  $HN = \langle 3 \rangle$ .

### Third Isomorphism Theorem

1.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{24}$ ,  $H = \langle 4 \rangle$ ,  $N = \langle 8 \rangle$ .  $G/K = \{\langle 8 \rangle, 1 + \langle 8 \rangle, \dots, 7 + \langle 8 \rangle\}$ .  
 $H/K = \{\langle 8 \rangle, 4 + \langle 8 \rangle\}$ .  $G/H = \{\langle 4 \rangle, 1 + \langle 4 \rangle, 2 + \langle 4 \rangle, 3 + \langle 4 \rangle\}$ .

**Non-abelian Groups** There are a few classes of non-abelian groups which has every proper subgroup abelian : 1) every nonabelian group of order  $pq$  where  $p|q$ , and 2) two non-abelian groups of order  $p^3$ .

## Important Notions

### Semidirect Product

**Definitions 3.86.** Let  $\phi : H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$  be a group homomorphism where  $N, H$  are two group. Then the **semidirect product**  $N \rtimes H$  is defined as the group  $\langle N \rtimes H, * \rangle$  where  $* : (N \times H) \times (N \times H) \rightarrow (N \times H)$  such that  $(n_1, h_1) * (n_2, h_2) = (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2), h_1 h_2)$ .

Let  $G$  be a group with nontrivial normal subgroups  $N, H \leq G$  such that  $N \cap H = \{1\}$  and  $N \vee H = G$ . Then  $G/N \cong H$  and  $G/H \cong N$ . Thus  $G \cong N \rtimes H$ .

We can extend the notion direct product as follows. Let  $G$  be a group with nontrivial subgroups  $N, H$  such that  $N$  is normal and  $N \cap H = \{1\}$ . Then  $G \cong N \rtimes H$  except for  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_4$  and  $Q_8$ .

**Definitions 3.87.** The **fundamental group** of a topological space is the group of equivalent classes under homotopy of the loops contained in the space.

### Semidirect Products

1. The dihedral group,  $D_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_n \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
2. No simple group  $G$  can be expressed as a semidirect/direct product.  
Simple groups are indecomposable.
3. The fundamental group of the Klein bottle is  $\mathbb{Z} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}$ .

**The converse of Lagrange's theorem** Finite group  $G$  not necessarily have subgroups for each divisor of its order. For example, the alternating group  $A_5$  of order 12 does not have a subgroup of order 6.

### Classification of Finite Groups

1. By Burnside's theorem,  $p$ -Groups have non-trivial center. And  $Q_8$  is the smallest non-abelian  $p$ -group.
2. By Sylow first theorem, no group of prime power order is simple.
3. Every group of prime power order is solvable.
4. Every group  $G$  of order  $p$  is cyclic and  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_p$ . The number of generators is  $\phi(n)$ .
5. Every group  $G$  of order  $p^2$  is abelian. There are two groups  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$ .
6. There are exactly five groups of order  $p^3$ .

*Proof.* Three abelian groups –  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^3}, \mathbb{Z}_{p^2} \times \mathbb{Z}_p$ , and  $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$  and two non-abelian groups –  $(\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$ , and  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$  except for  $p = 2$ . For  $p = 2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2 \cong (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2 \cong D_4$ . However we have  $Q_8$ , which is another nonabelian group of order 8.  $\square$

7. Every non-abelian group  $G$  of order  $p^3$  has center  $Z(G)$  of order  $p$ .

*Proof.* Since  $G$  is a  $p$ -group,  $G$  has nontrivial center. Suppose  $|Z(G)| = p^2$ , then  $G/Z(G)$  is a cyclic group of order  $p$ . But  $G$  is non-abelian.  $\square$

8. Every non-abelian group  $G$  of order  $p^3$  has  $p^2 + p - 1$  distinct conjugacy classes.
9. Abelian group of order  $pq$  is cyclic. Non-abelian group of order  $pq$  exists and is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_q \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_p$  provided  $q \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .
10. Every non-abelian group  $G$  of order  $pq$  has trivial center.

*Proof.* Suppose nonabelian group  $G$  has a nontrivial center of order  $p$  (wlog), then  $G/Z(G)$  is a cyclic group of order  $q$ . But  $G$  is non-abelian. Thus  $Z(G)$  is trivial.  $\square$

11. Every group of square free order is supersolvable. And thus solvable.

*Proof.* Suppose  $|G| = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$  where  $p_1 > p_2 > \dots p_k$ . Then there exists a normal series  $G_1 \trianglelefteq G_2 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq G_k \trianglelefteq G$  such that  $|G_1| = p_1$ ,  $|G_2| = p_1 p_2$  and  $|G_k| = p_1 p_2 \dots p_k$ .  $\square$

## 3.3 Ring Theory

### 3.3.1 Rings & Fields

1. Every finite PID is field.

### 3.3.2 Ideals & Factor Rings

### 3.3.3 Factorisation

**Lemma 3.88** (Bézout). *Let  $\gcd(a, b) = d$ . Then there exists integers  $x, y$  such that  $ax + by = d$ . And integers of the form  $as + bt$  are exactly the multiples of  $d$ .*

The integers  $x, y$  are the Bézout coefficients for  $(a, b)$ . Bézout coefficients are not unique. Bézout identity implies Euclid's lemma, and chinese remainder theorem.

**Lemma 3.89** (Euclid). *Let  $p$  be a prime. If  $p$  divides  $ab$ , then  $p$  divides either  $a$  or  $b$ .*

*Proof.* By Bézout's identity or By induction using Euclidean algorithm.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.90** (chinese remainder theorem).

**Definitions 3.91** (Bézout Domain). *A Bézout Domain is an integral domain which satisfies Bézout's identity.*

**Definitions 3.92** (Gaussian Integers). *Gaussian integers,  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  are complex numbers of the form  $a + ib$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .*

Let  $x, y$  are Gaussian integers.  $x$  divides  $y$  if there exists a Gaussian integer  $z$  such that  $y = xz$ . The Gaussian integers not divisible by any non-unit Gaussian integer is a Gaussian prime.

### Properties

1.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is a subring of  $\mathbb{C}$
2.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is an integral domain.
3.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is a principal ideal domain (PID).
4.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is a Unique factorisation domain (UFD).
5.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  with norm  $N(a + ib) = a^2 + b^2$  is a Euclidean Domain.
6.  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$  is a Bézout Domain.
7. Every PID is a Bézout Domain.

### Important Notions

1. Every PID is a UFD.
2. If  $D$  is a UFD, then  $D[x]$  is a UFD.

**Definitions 3.93** (Eisenstein Integers). *Eisenstein Integers,  $\mathbb{Z}[w]$  are complex numbers of the form  $a + wb$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $w = e^{i2\pi/3}$ .*

The units in  $\mathbb{Z}[w]$  are  $\pm 1, \pm w, \pm w^2$ .

## 3.4 Fields

### 3.4.1 Extension Fields

**Definitions 3.94.** *There exists a unique **Galois field**  $GF(p^n)$  of order  $p^n$ .*

**Theorem 3.95** (Kronecker). *Let  $F$  be a field and  $f(x)$  be a nonconstant polynomial in  $F[x]$ . Then there exists an extension field  $E$  of  $F$  and an  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .*

**Definitions 3.96.** *A field  $E$  is an **extension field** of field  $F$  if  $F$  is contained in  $E$ .*

**Definitions 3.97.** *A field  $E$  is a **simple extension** of field  $F$  if there exists some  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $E$  is the minimal extension field of  $F$  containing  $\alpha$ .*

**Definitions 3.98.** *Let field  $E$  be an extension of field  $F$ . A number  $\alpha \in E$  is **algebraic over  $F$**  if there exists  $f(x) \in F[x]$  such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ .*

Then  $\alpha$  is **algebraic over the field  $F$** . Otherwise  $\alpha$  is **transcendental over the field  $F$** . If  $F = \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $\alpha$  is an **algebraic number**.

**Definitions 3.99.** *An extension  $E$  of a field  $F$  is **algebraic** if  $E \cong F(\alpha)$  for some  $\alpha$  algebraic over  $F$ .*

The field  $\mathbb{Q}(\pi)$  is a simple, transcendental extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ . And  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$  is a simple, algebraic extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$  as  $f(x) : x^2 + 1 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  and  $f(i) = 0$ .

**Definitions 3.100.** *Let field  $E$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space over field  $F$ . Then  $E$  is a **finite extension** of  $F$ . And  $[E : F] = n$ .*

**Theorem 3.101** (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra). *The field  $\mathbb{C}$  is algebraically closed.*

*Proof.* Every non-constant polynomial has a linear factorisation. Let  $f(z)$  be a non-constant polynomial which has no zero in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then  $1/f(z)$  is entire. Clearly  $f(z) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus,  $1/f(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,  $f$  is bounded. However, by Liouville's theorem, the bounded, entire function  $1/f(z)$  is constant.  $\square$

Field  $\mathbb{C}$  does not have any algebraic extensions. However, the field of all rational functions  $\mathbb{C}(x)$  is a transcendental extension of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## Important Notions

The binary algebra,  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_n, +_n, \times_n \rangle$  is a commutative ring with unity.

**Theorem 3.102.**  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_n, +_n, \times_n \rangle$  is a field iff  $n$  is a prime.

*Proof.* A number  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  is not a zero divisor (and has an inverse) iff  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ .  $\square$

**Simple Extensions of  $\mathbb{Q}$**  Let  $\alpha$  be an algebraic number. Then there exists a polynomial  $f(x) \in F[x]$  such that  $f(\alpha) = 0$ . From  $f(x)$ , we may obtain a monic polynomial  $p(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  such that  $p(\alpha) = 0$ . By division algorithm, such monic irreducible polynomials are unique. Thus, we may refer  $p(x) = \text{irr}(\alpha, \mathbb{Q})$ . By Kronecker's theorem, field  $\mathbb{Q}$  has an algebraic extension  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$ .

**Definitions 3.103** (cyclotomic field). *The  $n$ th **cyclotomic field** is  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)$  where  $\alpha$  is a primitive  $n$ th root of unity.*

**Definitions 3.104** (cyclotomic polynomial). *The  $n$ th **cyclotomic polynomial**  $\Phi_n(x)$  is the monic irreducible polynomial with primitive  $n$ th roots of unity as its zeroes.*

$$\Phi_n(x) = \prod_{\substack{1 \leq k \leq n \\ \gcd(k, n) = 1}} (x - \zeta_k)$$

**Definitions 3.105.** *A number  $\alpha$  is **constructible** if you can draw a line of  $\alpha$  length in a finite number of steps using a straightedge and a compass (given a line of unit length).*

1. The  $n$ th cyclotomic polynomial has degree  $\phi(n)$ .
2. The constructible numbers form a field.
3. A number  $\alpha$  is constructible iff the degree of the monic, irreducible polynomial of  $\alpha$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is a power of the prime 2.
4. The constructible numbers field is an infinite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

The classical problems like trisecting an angle, squaring a circle and doubling a cube are thus impossible.

### 3.4.2 Automorphisms & Galois Theory

# Part III

## Calculus



# Chapter 4

## Ordinary Differential Equations

### 4.1 Basic Calculus

#### 4.1.1 Differentiation

1. Linearity :  $[f(x) + g(x)]' = f'(x) \pm g'(x)$  and  $[cf(x)]' = cf'(x)$ .
2. Product rule :  $[f(x)g(x)]' = f(x)g'(x) + f'(x)g(x)$ .
3. Quotient rule :  $[f(x)/g(x)]' = [f'(x)g(x) - f(x)g'(x)]/g^2(x)$ .
4. Chain rule :  $[f(g(x))]' = f'(g(x))g'(x)$ .
5.  $[x^r]' = rx^{r-1}$  where  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ .
6.  $[a^x]' = a^x \ln a$  where  $a \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .
7.  $[\sin x]' = \cos x$ ,  $[\cos x]' = -\sin x$ ,  $[\tan x]' = \sec^2 x$ ,  $[\csc x]' = -\csc x \cot x$ ,  
 $[\sec x]' = \sec x \tan x$  and  $[\cot x]' = -\csc^2 x$ .
8.  $[\sin^{-1} x]' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ ,  $[\tan^{-1} x]' = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ , and  $[\sec^{-1} x]' = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$ .  
Hint :  $y = f^{-1}(x) \implies f(y) = x \implies f'(y) = 1$ .

#### 4.1.2 Integration

1. Linearity :  $\int [f(x) \pm g(x)] dx = \int f(x) dx \pm \int g(x) dx$  and  $\int cf(x) dx = c \int f(x) dx$ .
2. Product rule :  $\int [f(x)g(x)] dx = f(x) \int g(x) dx - \int f'(x) [\int g(x) dx] dx$ .

$$\int fg dx = f \int g - f' \iint g + f'' \iiint g + \cdots$$

3.  $\int \tan x dx = -\log \cos x$  and  $\int \cot x dx = \log \sin x$ .
4.  $\int \csc x dx = \log(\csc x - \cot x)$  and  $\int \sec x dx = \log(\sec x + \tan x)$ .

## 4.2 Ordinary Differential Equation

1. An equation involving derivatives with respect to an independent variable and involving dependent variable is called an **ordinary differential equation**(ODE).
2. The **order** and **degree** of an ODE is the order and degree of its highest derivative.
3. An ODE is **linear** if it does not contain product of dependent variable and its derivatives.
4. A **solution** of a differential equation is a relation between the dependent variable and the independent variable. Solution has the general form :  $f(x, y) = 0$ .

A **general solution** is of the form  $\sum c_j y_j(x)$  where  $c_j$ s are arbitrary constants and the number of arbitrary constants is equal to the order of the differential equation.

A **particular solution** is obtained from general solution by giving particular values to its arbitrary constants.

A **singular solution** is a solution which cannot be obtained from a general solution by a choice of arbitrary constants.

5. There are two major type of problems :

An **initial value problem** is a differential equation together with values of dependent variable and its derivatives for a particular value of independent variable.

A **boundary value problem** is a differential equation together with functions of dependent variable and its derivatives at different values of independent variable.

### 4.2.1 Solving first order ordinary differential equations

1. Variable Separable :  $f(x)dx = g(y)dy$   
 $\int f(x)dx = \int g(y)dy$ .
2. Homogeneous :  $x^k f(y/x, y')$   
 $y = vx \implies dy = vdx + xdv$ . Then  $g(x)dx = h(v)dv$ .
3. Exact :  $Mdx + Ndy = 0$  where  $M_y = N_x$  and  $M, N, M_y, N_x$  are continuous.  
 $\int M dx + \int N^* dy = C$  where  $N^*$  is the part of  $N(x, y)$  not containing  $x$ .
4. Almost Exact :  $Mdx + Ndy = 0$  but  $M_y \neq N_x$ .  
 Case 1 :  $(M_y - N_x)/N = f(x)$ , Case 2 :  $(M_y - N_x)/-M = g(y)$  and  
 Case 3 :  $(M_y - N_x)/(N_y - M_x) = h(z)$  where  $z = xy$ . Suppose Case 1 is true,  
 then  $IF = e^{\int f(x) dx}$  and  $\int M IF dx + \int (N IF)^* dy = C$ .
5. Inspection Method - Use known results to simply the ODE.  
 $[y/x]' = (xdy - ydx)/x^2$ .  
 $[x/y]' = (ydx - x^2dy)/y^2$ .  
 $[y^2/x]' = (2xydy - y^2dx)/x^2$ .  
 $[\ln(xy)]' = (xdy + ydx)/xy$ .  
 $[xy]' = xdy + ydx$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
[x^2 + y^2]' &= 2(xdx + ydy). \\
[\tan^{-1}(x/y)]' &= (ydx - xdy)/(x^2 + y^2). \\
[\sin^{-1}(x/y)]' &= (ydx - xdy)/y\sqrt{y^2 - x^2}. \\
[\sec^{-1}(x/y)]' &= (ydx - xdy)/\sqrt{x^2 - y^2}. \\
[\ln(x/y)]' &= (ydx - xdy)/xy.
\end{aligned}$$

6. Leibnitz's Method :  $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)$ .

The solution is :  $y \text{ IF} = \int \text{IF} Q(x) dx$  where  $\text{IF} = e^{\int P(x) dx}$ .

7. Bernoulli's Method :  $y' + P(x)y = Q(x)y^n$  where  $n \neq 0, 1$ .

The solution is :  $y^{1-n} \text{ IF} = \int \text{IF} Q(x)(1-n) dx$  where  $\text{IF} = e^{\int P(x)(1-n) dx}$ .<sup>1</sup>

## Problems

1. Computing  $M$  from  $N$  in an exact differential equation

Suppose  $g(x, y)dx + (x + y)dy = 0$  is exact and  $g(x, 0) = x^2$ .

Exact  $\implies g_y = N_x = 1 \implies g(x, y) = y + f(x)$

And  $g(x, 0) = f(x) = x^2 \implies g(x, y) = x^2 + y$ .

2. Set  $S = \{\frac{2}{x+1} : x \in (-1, 1)\}$ .

$-1 < x < 1 \implies 0 < x + 1 < 2 \implies \infty > 1/(x + 1) > 1/2$

$\implies \infty > 2/(x + 1) > 1 \implies S = (1, \infty) \implies S' = [1, \infty)$ .

3.  $S$  is union of disjoint bounded intervals.

$S$  is compact only if each interval is closed.  $\sup S \in S$  if right most interval is right closed and  $\inf S \in S$  if left most interval is left closed. If  $S$  has more than one interval in it, then  $S$  being compact is a different story.

4. Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $I(A)$  is an open set. Thus, either  $I(A)$  is empty or uncountable.

### 4.2.2 Existence & Uniqueness

1. A function  $f(x, y)$  such that  $|f(x, y_1) - f(x, y_2)| \leq k|y_1 - y_2|$  is a **Lipschitz** function with Lipschitz constant  $k$ . If the function is differentiable, then condition reduces to the form  $|\partial f / \partial y| \leq k$ .

2. Peano's Theorem : Consider an initial value problem  $y' = f(x, y)$ ,  $y(x_0) = y_0$ . If  $f(x, y)$  is continuous and is bounded, say  $|f(x, y)| \leq M$ , in the rectangle  $|x - x_0| \leq h$  and  $|y - y_0| \leq k$ . Then there exists at least one solution  $\phi$  such that  $\frac{d\phi}{dx} = f(x, y)$  on the interval  $|x - x_0| \leq \min\{h, k/M\}$ .

3. Picard's Theorem : Consider an initial value problem  $y' = f(x, y)$ ,  $y(x_0) = y_0$ . If  $f(x, y)$  is continuous and is bounded in the rectangle  $|x - x_0| \leq h$  and  $|y - y_0| \leq k$  and  $f(x, y)$  satisfies Lipschitz condition, then there exists a unique solution.

4. Types of IVP,

(a) No Solution. The general solution reduces to a contradictory statement with given initial values. Or Peano's theorem hypotheses do not hold.

<sup>1</sup>In an intermediate step, we replace  $y^{1-n}$  with  $u$  and solve using Leibnitz's method.

- (b) Unique Solution. Unique particular solution is obtained. Or Picard's theorem hypotheses hold.
- (c) Uncountably many solutions. Particular solutions together with zero function and other variants.

### 4.2.3 Solving First Order ODEs of Degree $n > 1$

1. Solutions are of the form (a) Cartesian Form (Equation containing  $x, y$  and constants.) (b) Parametric Form,  $x = f_1(P, c)$  and  $y = f_2(P, c)$ . (c)  $x = g(x, P)G(x, P, c)$  and  $y = f(x, P)F(x, P, c)$ .
2. General Form :  $p_0P^n + p_1P^{n-1} + \dots + p_{n-1}P + p_n = 0$  where  $P = y'$  and  $p_k$ 's are functions of  $x$  and  $y$ . If we can factorise it into linear factors, say  $(P - f_1)(P - f_2) \dots (P - f_n) = 0$ . Then we can solve each one of those factor  $P - f_k = 0$  into some  $F_k(x, y, c) = 0$ . And the general solution is  $F_1(x, y, c)F_2(x, y, c) \dots F_n(x, y, c) = 0$ .
3. Solvable for  $x$ . That is,  $x = f(y, P)$  where  $P = dy/dx$ .  
 $x = f(y, P) \implies 1/P = F(y, P, dP/dy) \implies \psi(y, P, c) = 0 \implies y = g(P, c)$ .  
 (a) Case 1:  $x = f(P) \implies 1/P = F(P, dP/dy) \implies y = g(P, c)$ .
4. Solvable for  $y$ .  
 $y = f(x, P) \implies P = F(x, P, dP/dx) \implies \psi(x, P, c) = 0 \implies x = g(P, c)$ .  
 (a) Case 1:  $y = f(P) \implies P = F(P, dP/dx) \implies x = g(P, c)$ .  
 (b) Case 2: Lagrange's Equation :  $y = xF(P) + f(P)$ .  
 $y = xF(P) + f(P) \implies P = \psi(x, y, P, dP/dx) \implies dx/dP + g(P)x = h(p)$ .  
 Solve Leibnitz Equation.  
 (c) Case 3 : Clairut's Equation :  $y = xP + f(P)$ .  
 $y = xc + f(c)$ .

### 4.2.4 Orthogonal Trajectory

1. If a family of curves  $f(x, y, c) = 0$  satisfies differential equation  $F(x, y, P) = 0$ . Then the differential equation of their orthogonal trajectory is  $F(x, y, -1/P) = 0$ .

### 4.2.5 Solving ordinary differential equations for a singular solution

**Definitions 4.1.** If a family of curves  $f(x, y, c) = 0$  represented by  $F(x, y, P) = 0$  and it has an envelope. Then the envelope is the<sup>2</sup> singular solution of  $F(x, y, P) = 0$ .

1. Method 1 :  $P$  discriminant.  
 Let  $f(x, y, P) = 0$ . From  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial P} = 0$  obtain a  $P$ -discriminant<sup>3</sup> relation,  $F(x, y) = 0$ .  
 Then  $F(x, y)$  or its factors satisfying  $f(x, y, P) = 0$  are the singular solutions.

<sup>2</sup>It is possible to have multiple singular solutions ?

<sup>3</sup>relation not containing  $P$

2. Method 2 :  $c$ -discriminant.

Let  $\phi(x, y, c) = 0$  be a solution for  $f(x, y, P) = 0$ . From  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial c}$  obtain a  $c$ -discriminant relation  $F(x, y) = 0$ . Then  $F(x, y)$  or its factors satisfying  $f(x, y, P) = 0$  are the singular solutions.

3. Method 3 : Quadratic Relation in  $P$ .

Let  $AP^2 + BP + C = 0$ . Then  $F(x, y) = B^2 - 4AC$  is the respective  $P$ -discriminant relation. And  $F(x, y)$  or its factors satisfying  $f(x, y, P) = 0$  are the singular solutions.

## 4.2.6 Solving second order ordinary differential equations

## 1. Linear Differential Equations with Constant Coefficients

$$D^n y + a_1 D^{n-1} y + \cdots + a_n y = R(x) \quad (4.1)$$

Solution is of the form : Complementary function + Particular Integral where Complementary function is the solution of the respective homogenous equation.

2. We may write  $f(D)y = R(x)$  where  $f(D) = D^n + a_1 D^{n-1} + \cdots + a_n$  is the respective auxiliary equation. Let  $m_1, m_2, \dots$  be solutions of the auxiliary equation. Then  $e^{m_i x}$  is solution of the homogenous equation. If  $m_i$  is a root of multiplicity  $n$  then  $x^k e^{m_i x}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  are the respective solutions.

## (a) Case 1 : Real Distinct Roots.

Let  $m = m_1, m_2$ . Then  $y = c_1 e^{m_1 x} + c_2 e^{m_2 x}$  is the complementary function.

## (b) Case 2 : Real, Multiple Roots.

Let  $m$  be a real root of multiplicity 4. Then  $y = (c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 + c_4 x^3) e^{mx}$  is the complementary function.

## (c) Case 3 : Complex, Conjugate Roots.

Let  $m = \alpha \pm i\beta$ . Then  $y = e^{\alpha x} (c_1 \cos \beta x + c_2 \sin \beta x)$  is the complementary function.

## (d) Case 4 : Complex, Conjugate, Multiple Roots.

Let  $\alpha \pm i\beta$  be conjugate roots of multiplicity 4. Then  $y = e^{\alpha x} ((c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 + c_4 x^3) \cos \beta x + (c_5 + c_6 x + c_7 x^2 + c_8 x^3) \sin \beta x)$  is the complementary function.

## (e) Case 5 : Conjugate Surds.

Let  $m = \alpha \pm \sqrt{\beta}$ . Then  $y = e^{\alpha x} (c_1 \cosh \beta x + c_2 \sinh \beta x)$  is the complementary function. <sup>4</sup>

3. Particular Integral  $y_p$ (a) Case 1 :  $R(x) = e^{\alpha x}$ .

$$y_p = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{\alpha x}}{f(\alpha)} & f(\alpha) \neq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\phi(\alpha)} \frac{x^r}{r!} e^{\alpha x} & f(\alpha) = 0 \end{cases}$$

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<sup>4</sup>Why ?

(b) Case 2 :  $R(x) = \sin x$ .

$$y_p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{f(D)} \sin \alpha x & f(D) \neq 0, D^2 = -\alpha^2 \\ \frac{x}{2} \int \sin \alpha x & f(D) = 0 \end{cases}$$

(c) Case 3 :  $R(x) = x^m$ .

$$y_p = \frac{1}{f(D)} x^m \text{ where } (1 - D)^{-n} = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \binom{-n}{r} D^r$$

(d) Case 4 :  $R(x) = e^{\alpha x} v(x)$ .

$$y_p = e^{\alpha x} \frac{1}{f(D + \alpha)} v(x)$$

#### 4. Cauchy-Euler Equations

$$a_n x^n D^n y + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} D^{n-1} y + \cdots + a_1 x Dy + a_0 y = R(x) \quad (4.2)$$

Put  $x = e^t$ . Then  $t = \log x$ ,  $x Dy = Dy$ ,  $x^2 D^2 y = D(D-1)y$ ,  $\dots$ . The Cauchy-Euler equation reduces to a linear differential equation with constant coefficient.

#### 5. Legendre's Linear Differential Equation

$$a_n (\alpha x + \beta)^n D^n y + a_{n-1} (\alpha x + \beta)^{n-1} D^{n-1} y + \cdots + a_1 (\alpha x + \beta) Dy + a_0 y = R(x) \quad (4.3)$$

Put  $\alpha x + \beta = e^t$ . Then  $t = \log(\alpha x + \beta)$ ,  $(\alpha x + \beta) Dy = \alpha Dy$ ,  $(\alpha x + \beta)^2 D^2 y = \alpha^2 D(D-1)y$ ,  $\dots$ . The Legendre's linear differential equation reduces to a linear differential equation with constant coefficient.

#### 6. Finding general solution from a fundamental solution.