

Homework 4

Due date: 2019. 4. 10.

1. Determine whether the following permutations are as a product of disjoint cycles, and then as a product of 2-cycles.

(1) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 2 & 6 & 3 & 7 & 4 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

(2) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 8 & 2 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$

2. What is the order of each of the following permutations?

(1) $(124)(357)$

(2) $(124)(357869)$

(3) $(1235)(24567)$

3. Show by an example that every proper subgroup of a non-Abelian group may be Abelian.

4. Show that A_8 contains an element of order 15.

5. Let α and β belongs to S_n . Prove that $\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}\alpha\beta$ is an even permutation.

6. Let $\beta = (123)(145)$. Write β^{99} in disjoint cycle form.

7. What cycle is $(a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{-1}$?

8. Prove that S_n is non-Abelian for all $n \geq 3$.

9. Show that every element in A_n for $n \geq 3$ can be expressed as a 3-cycle or a product of three cycles.

10. Show that if α is a cycle of odd length, then α^2 is a cycle.

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$$1. \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 2 & 6 & 3 & 7 & 4 & 5 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right) = (1\ 8)(3\ 6\ 4)(5\ 7) = (1\ 8)(3\ 4)(3\ 6)(5\ 7)$$

$$\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 8 & 2 & 5 & 7 \end{smallmatrix} \right) = (1\ 3\ 4)(2\ 6)(5\ 8\ 7) = (1\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 6)(5\ 7)(5\ 8)$$

$$2. (1) (1\ 2\ 4)(3\ 5\ 7)$$

$$\alpha = (1\ 2\ 4), \beta = (3\ 5\ 7)$$

α and β are disjoint

length of $\alpha, \beta = 3$.

The order is $\text{lcm}(3, 3) = 3$

$$(2) (1\ 2\ 4)(3\ 5\ 7\ 8\ 6\ 9)$$

$$\text{lcm}(3, 6) = 6 \therefore \text{order} : 6$$

$$(3) (1\ 2\ 3\ 5)(2\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7)$$

$$= (2\ 4\ 1)(5\ 6\ 7\ 3)$$

$$\text{lcm}(3, 4) = 12 \therefore \text{order} : 12$$

$$3. D_4 = \{R_0, R_{90}, R_{180}, R_{270}, D, D', H, V\}$$

D_4 is non-Abelian group. ($\because R_{90}H = D' \neq D = HR_{90}$)

proper subgroup of D_4

order 1: $\{R_0\}$

order 2: $\{R_0, R_{180}\}, \{R_0, D\}, \{R_0, D'\}, \{R_0, H\}, \{R_0, V\}$

order 4: $\{R_0, R_{90}, R_{180}, R_{270}\}, \{R_0, R_{180}, D, D'\}, \{R_0, R_{180}, H, V\}$

Whenever above subgroups are added one more other element it become non-proper subgroup, D_4 .

\therefore Every proper subgroups of D_4 are Abelian

$$4. \alpha = (1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8) \in S_8$$

order of α is $\text{lcm}(3, 5) = 15$.

ETS α is even permutation.

$$(1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8)$$

$$= (1\ 3)(1\ 2)(4\ 8)(4\ 7)(4\ 6)(4\ 5)$$

$$\therefore \alpha \in A_8 \quad \blacksquare$$

$$5. \alpha, \beta \in S_n \Rightarrow \alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}\alpha\beta \text{ is even permutation}$$

Let $\alpha = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m)$ a_i 's 2-cycles

$\beta = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ b_i 's 2-cycles.

$$\text{then } \alpha^{-1} = (a_m^{-1}, a_{m-1}^{-1}, \dots, a_1^{-1}) = (a_m, a_{m-1}, \dots, a_1)$$

$$\beta^{-1} = (b_n^{-1}, \dots, b_1^{-1}) = (b_n, \dots, b_1)$$

(\because A 2-cycle is its own inverse).

$$\alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}\alpha\beta = (a_m \dots a_1)(b_n \dots b_1)(a_1 \dots a_m)(b_1 \dots b_n)$$

\Rightarrow product of $(2m+2n)$ 2-cycles.

$$2m+2n = 2(m+n) \Rightarrow \text{even number}$$

$\therefore \alpha^{-1}\beta^{-1}\alpha\beta$ is even permutation.

$$6. \beta = (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 5) = (1\ 4\ 5\ 2\ 3)$$

$$\text{order of } \beta : 5 \Rightarrow \beta^5 = e$$

$$\beta^{99} = (\beta^5)^{19} \cdot \beta^4 = \beta^4$$

$$\beta^2 = (1\ 4\ 5\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 5\ 2\ 3) = (1\ 5\ 3\ 4\ 2)$$

$$\beta^4 = (1\ 5\ 3\ 4\ 2)(1\ 5\ 3\ 4\ 2) = (1\ 3\ 2\ 5\ 4)$$

$$\therefore \beta^4 = (1\ 3\ 2\ 5\ 4)$$

$$7. \alpha = (a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n) \\ = (a_1 \alpha(a_1) \alpha(a_2) \cdots \alpha(a_{n-1}))$$

$$\alpha(a_1) = a_2 \rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(a_2) = a_1$$

$$\alpha(a_2) = a_3 \rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(a_3) = a_2$$

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$$\alpha(a_{n-1}) = a_n \rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(a_n) = a_{n-1}$$

$$\alpha(a_n) = a_1 \rightarrow \alpha^{-1}(a_1) = a_n$$

$$\alpha^{-1} = (a_1 \alpha^{-1}(a_1) \alpha^{-1}(a_n) \alpha^{-1}(a_{n-1}) \cdots \alpha^{-1}(a_3))$$

$$= (a_1 a_n a_{n-1} a_{n-2} \cdots a_2)$$

$$= (a_n a_{n-1} \cdots a_2 a_1)$$

$$(a_1 a_2 \cdots a_{n-1} a_n)(a_n a_{n-1} \cdots a_2 a_1) = e.$$

$$(\because a_n \rightarrow a_{n-1} \rightarrow a_n, \dots, a_1 \rightarrow a_n \rightarrow a_1)$$

$$\therefore (a_1 a_2 \cdots a_n)^{-1} = (a_n \cdots a_2 a_1)$$

8. S_n is non-Abelian ($n \geq 3$)

$$S_1 = \{e\}$$

$$S_2 = \{e, (1 2)\}$$

$$S_3 = \{e, (1 2 3), (1 3 2), (1 2)(1 3), (2 3)\}$$

$$(1 2)(1 3) \neq (1 3)(1 2)$$

$$(1 \overset{\text{''}}{3} 2) \quad (1 \overset{\text{''}}{2} 3)$$

$$S_n \supset \{(1 2), (1 3), (1 3 2), (1 2 3)\}$$

$\therefore S_n$ is non-Abelian ($n \geq 3$)

9. A_n is subgroup of even permutation of S_n

$$\therefore \forall \alpha \in A_n \quad \alpha = () () () \cdots () ()$$

\swarrow even number \searrow

ETS product of two 2-cycles can be 3-cycle
or product of 3-cycles.

- i) $(a\ b)(a\ b) = \varepsilon = (a\ b\ c)(a\ c\ b) \rightarrow$ product of 3-cycles.
- ii) $(a\ b)(c\ d) = (a\ b\ c)(b\ c\ d)$
- iii) $(a\ b)(a\ c) = (a\ c\ b) \rightarrow$ a 3-cycle
- iv) $(a\ b)(b\ c) = (a\ b\ c)$

\therefore Every element of A_n can be expressed as a product of even number of 2-cycles. And we showed that every pair of 2-cycles can be expressed as a 3-cycle or a product of 3-cycles.

Therefore every elements of A_n can be expressed as a 3-cycle or a product of 3-cycles.

10. $\alpha = (a_1\ a_2 \cdots a_n)$

if) $n = 2k + 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2 &= (a_1\ a_2\ a_3 \cdots a_{2k}\ a_{2k+1})(a_1\ a_2\ a_3 \cdots a_{2k}\ a_{2k+1}) \\ &= (a_1\ a_3\ a_5 \cdots a_{2k+1}\ a_2\ a_4 \cdots a_{2k})\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \alpha^2$ is a cycle

if) $n = 2k$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2 &= (a_1\ a_2 \cdots a_{2k-1}\ a_{2k})(a_1\ a_2 \cdots a_{2k-1}\ a_{2k}) \\ &= (a_1\ a_3\ a_5 \cdots a_{2k-1})(a_2\ a_4\ a_6 \cdots a_{2k})\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \alpha^2$ is product of two disjoint cycles.