

## Chapter 1 Why Abstract Algebra?

Italian Renaissance, 16th century algebra

Problem-solving Competitions

Giralamo Cardano (1501), Book Ars Magna (The Great Art)

Tartaglia ( $\sim 1500$ ) = solving any cubic equation  $x^3 + ax^2 + bx = c$

Ludovico Ferrari = solving any quadratic equations  $x^4 + ax^3 + bx^2 + cx = d$

1824, Niels Abel (Norwegian) =  $\nexists$  formulas for roots for degree  $\geq 5$

Similar times = Matrix Algebra

Boolean Algebra

Axiomatics / Abstraction = varying the possible choices of axioms

1845, Évariste Galois = explains exactly which equations of degree  $\geq 5$  (published) (1832 died) have solutions (traditional kind), which do not

~ 1930, Early 20th Centuries = Algebraic Structure (completed)

## Chapter 2 Operations

Valid operations on a set A.

- ①  $a * b$  is defined for every ordered pair  $(a, b) \in A$
- ②  $a * b$  uniquely defined
- ③  $a * b \in A$

### Exercises

#### B. Properties of Operations

$$7. x * y = \frac{xy}{x+y+1}$$

(a) Commutative?

$$y * x = \frac{yx}{y+z+1} = x * y \rightarrow \text{is commutative}$$

(b) associative?

$$\begin{aligned} x * (y * z) &= \frac{x \left( \frac{yz}{y+z+1} \right)}{x + \left( \frac{yz}{y+z+1} \right) + 1} = \frac{xyz}{y+z+1} \cdot \frac{y+z+1}{x(y+z+1) + yz + (y+z+1)} \\ &= \frac{xyz}{(x+1)(y+z+1) + yz} = \frac{xyz}{xy + xz + yz + x + y + z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x * y) * z &= \frac{\left( \frac{xy}{x+y+1} \right) * z}{\left( \frac{xy}{x+y+1} \right) + z + 1} = \frac{xyz}{x+y+1} \cdot \frac{x+y+1}{xy + z(x+y+1) + (x+y+1)} \\ &= \frac{xyz}{(z+1)(x+y+1) + xy} = \frac{xyz}{xy + xz + yz + x + y + z} \end{aligned} \quad \text{is associative}$$

(c) has an identity? (on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ )

$$x * e = \frac{xe}{x+e+1} = x$$

$$xe = x(x+e+1)$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } -1 \notin \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \text{no identity on } \mathbb{R}^+$$

(d) has inverse for every  $x$ ? (on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ )no identity  $\rightarrow$  no inverse(otherwise = solve  $x'$  for  $x * x' = e$ )

## Chapter 3 The Definitions of Groups

(G1)  $*$  is associative

(G2)  $\exists$  identity  $e \in G$  s.t.  $x * e = e * x \forall x \in G$

(G3)  $\exists$  inverse  $x^{-1} \forall x \in G$  s.t.  $x * x^{-1} = x^{-1} * x = e$

### Exercises

#### A. Examples of Abelian Group

$$4. x * y = \frac{x+y}{xy+1} \text{ on } \{x \in \mathbb{R} : -1 < x < 1\}$$

[(a) associative?]

$$x + \left( \frac{y+z}{y+z+1} \right) = \frac{xy + xz + y + z}{xy + xz + y + z + 1}$$

$$\frac{\frac{y+z}{x(y+z+1)}}{x\left(\frac{y+z}{y+z+1}\right) + 1} = \frac{y+z}{y+z+1} \cdot \frac{y+z+1}{xy+xz+y+1} = \frac{xyz+(x+y+z)}{xy+xz+y+1}$$

$$\frac{\frac{xy}{(xy+1)+z}}{(xy+1)z + 1} = \frac{x+y+z+xyz}{xy+1} \cdot \frac{xy+1}{xz+yz+xy+1} = \text{same} \quad \rightarrow \text{is associative}$$

is  
a  
Group

(b)  $\exists$  identity?

$$\frac{x+e}{xe+1} = x \Rightarrow x+e = x(xe+1)$$

$$x+e = ex^2 + x \quad e=0$$

$$e(1-x^2) = 0$$

$$e=0 \text{ or when } x=\pm 1$$

(c)  $\exists$  inverse  $\forall x$ ?

$$x * x^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{x+e}{xe+1} = 0$$

$$x+e = 0$$

$$e = -x$$

$$\frac{x+(-x)}{x+(-x)+1} = \frac{0}{1} = 0 \Rightarrow \exists \text{ inverse}$$

(d) Abelian Group?

$$\frac{x+y}{xy+1} = \frac{y+x}{yx+1} \rightarrow \text{commutative} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{is} \\ \text{Abelian} \\ \text{Group.} \end{array}$$

## B Groups on the Set $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

2.  $(a,b) * (c,d) = (ac, bc+d)$  on  $\{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : x \neq 0\}$

(a) associative?

*y can be 0*

$$(a,b) * ((c,d) * (e,f)) = (a,b) * (ce, de+f)$$

$$= (ace, bce+de+f)$$

$$\begin{aligned} ((a,b) * (c,d)) * (e,f) &= (ac, bc+d) * (e,f) \\ &= (ace, (bc+d)e+f) \\ &= (ace, bce+de+f) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{is} \\ \text{associative} \end{array}$$

is a

Group

(b)  $\exists$  identity?

(b)  $\exists$  identity  $e$ :

$$(a, b) * (e_1, e_2) = (a, b)$$

$$(ae_1, be_1 + e_2) = (a, b)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae_1 = a \Rightarrow e_1 = 1 \rightarrow e = (1, 0)$$

$$be_1 + e_2 = b \Rightarrow e_2 = 0$$

(c)  $\exists$  inverse  $\forall x$ ?

$$(a, b) * (a^{-1}, b^{-1}) = (1, 0)$$

$$(aa^{-1}, ba^{-1} + b^{-1}) = (1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow aa^{-1} = 1 \Rightarrow a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$ba^{-1} + b^{-1} = 0 \Rightarrow b^{-1} = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\text{Confirm: } (a, b) * \left(\frac{1}{a}, -\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$= (1, \frac{b}{a} - \frac{b}{a}) = (1, 0) \rightarrow \exists \text{ inverse}$$

(d) Is Abelian Group?

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac, bcd)$$

$$(c, d) * (a, b) = (ca, dadb)$$

not commutative  
 $\rightarrow$  not Abelian Group

## Chapter 4 Elementary Properties of Groups

### Exercises

#### A. Solving Equations in Groups

Let  $G = \{a, b, c, x\}$ . Solve  $x$  in terms of  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

$$3. x^2a = bx^{-1} \text{ and } acx = xac.$$

$$x^2ac = bx^{-1}$$

$$x(acx) = bx$$

$$xac = b$$

$$x = bc^{-1}a^{-1}$$

#### B. Rules of Algebra in Groups

1. If  $x^2 = e$  then  $x = e$  *Wrong*

2. If  $x^2 = a^2$  then  $x = a$  *Wrong*

	I	A	B	C	D	K
I	I	A	B	C	D	K
A	A	I	C	D	K	P
B	C	D	I	A	B	
C	D	K	A	B	I	
D	K	P	C	D	I	
K	P		D	K	I	
P						

3.  $(ab)^2 = a^2 b^2$  Wrang

$$(AB)^2 = C^2 = I$$

$$A^2 B^2 = ID = D$$

	A	I	C	B	K	D	A	I	C
B	B	K	D	A	I	C	A	B	
C	C	D	K	I	A	B	B	A	
D	D	C	I	K	B	A	A	C	
K	K	B	A	D	C	I			

4. If  $x^2 = x$  then  $x = e$  Correct

5.  $\forall x \in G, \exists y \in G$  s.t.  $x = y^2$  Wrang

e.g.  $\nexists y \in G$  s.t.  $C = y^2$  (diagonal checking)

6.  $\forall x, y \in G, \exists z \in G$  s.t.  $y = xz$  Correct (row checking)

## Chapter 5 Subgroups

- [ ] (SG 1) : closed w.r.t. multiplication (or the operation in original group)
- [ ] (SG 2) : closed w.r.t. inverses

$F(\mathbb{R})$  = set of all functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

$\langle F(\mathbb{R}), + \rangle$  = a group

Subgroups:

$C(\mathbb{R})$  = all continuous functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

$D(\mathbb{R})$  = all differentiable functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

Subgroup of  $G$  generated by  $a, b$ , and  $c$ :

the subset of  $G$  contains all the possible products of  $a, b, c$  and their inverses, e.g.  $abc^{-1}, c^{-1}a^{-1}bbc$

this group is

generated by

$\{A, B\}$  only

	I	A	B	C	D	K
I	I	A	B	C	D	K
A	A	I	C	B	K	D
B	B	K	D	A	I	C
C	C	D	K	I	A	B
D	D	C	I	K	B	A
K	K	B	A	D	C	I

Cyclic subgroup of  $G$ ,  $\langle a \rangle$  with generator  $a$

all possible products of  $a$  and  $a^{-1}$ , e.g.  $a, aa, aaa, \dots$

Addition group  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  is cyclic  
i.e.  $\mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle 1 \rangle$

$\mathbb{Z}_n =$

group of integers modulo  $n$

operation addition modulo  $n$

$\mathbb{Z}_6$	$+$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	0
1	1	2	3	4	5	0	1
2	2	3	4	5	0	1	2
3	3	4	5	0	1	2	3
4	4	5	0	1	2	3	4
5	5	0	1	2	3	4	5

Defining equations completely define the multiplication table

### Exercises

#### B

#### Subgroup of Functions

5.  $G = \langle \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}), + \rangle$ ,  $H = \{f \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}) : \frac{df}{dx} \text{ is a constant}\}$

is a Subgroup

(a) closed w.r.t. + ?

$\forall f \in H, \frac{df}{dx}$  is constant  $\rightarrow f(x) = ax + b$  for some  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$\forall f, g \in H, f + g = (a_1 + a_2)x + (b_1 + b_2)$  so  $\frac{d(f+g)}{dx}$  is constant  $\rightarrow$  closed w.r.t. +

(b) closed w.r.t. inverses ?

$0$  is the identity function in  $(\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}), +)$

$-f(x) = -ax - b \rightarrow \frac{d(-f)}{dx}$  is a constant  $\rightarrow$  closed w.r.t. inverses

#### C

#### Subgroups of Abelian Groups

Let  $G$  = abelian group

5. Let  $H$  = subgroup of  $G$ .

$K = \{x \in G : x^n \in H \text{ for some } n > 0\}$

Prove  $K$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(a) closed w.r.t. multiplication ?

Let  $x^n \in H, y^m \in H \rightarrow x^n y^m \in H$  since  $H$  is a subgroup

$\rightarrow (x^n y^m)^k = x^{nk} y^{mk} \in H$  since  $(x^n)^k \in H, (y^m)^k \in H$  and  $H$  abelian

$\rightarrow K$  is closed w.r.t. multiplication

(b) closed w.r.t. inverses ?

is a Subgroup when  $G$

is abelian

$\exists g \in H$  s.t.  $g^{-1}(y^k) = e$  since  $H$  is a subgroup

$\rightarrow K$  is closed w.r.t. inverses

## E Generators of Groups

7.  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$  is NOT cyclic (not generated by  $\langle 1, 1 \rangle$ )

Direct Product of

$$\text{Groups} = G_1 \times H$$

$$= (x, y) \cdot (x', y')$$

$$= (xx', yy')$$

$$\forall x, x' \in G, y, y' \in H$$

	(0,0)	(0,1)	(0,2)	(0,3)	(1,0)	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)
(0,0)	(0,0)	(0,1)	(0,2)	(0,3)	(1,0)	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)
(0,1)	(0,1)	(0,2)	(0,3)	(0,0)	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)	(1,0)
(0,2)	(0,2)				(0,0)			
(0,3)	(0,3)							
(1,0)	(1,0)							
(1,1)	(1,1)	(1,2)	(1,3)	(1,0)	(0,1)	(0,2)	(0,3)	(0,0)
(1,2)	(1,2)							
(1,3)	(1,3)							

## F Groups Determined by Generators and Defining Equations

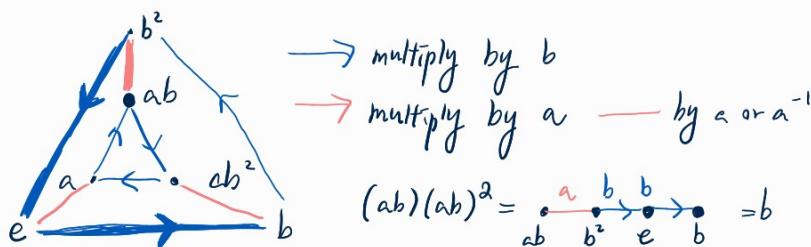
$$1. \text{ Let } G = \{e, a, b, b^2, ab, ab^2\}$$

whose generators satisfying  $\begin{cases} a^2 = e \\ b^3 = e \\ ba = ab^2 \end{cases}$  Write the table for  $G$ .

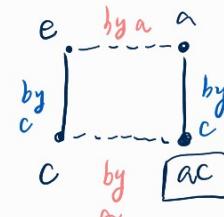
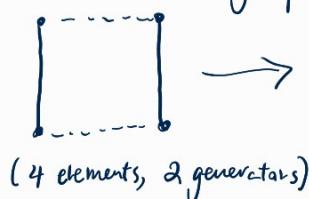
	e	a	b	$b^2$	ab	$ab^2$
e	e	c	b	$b^2$	ab	$ab^2$
a	a	e	ab	$ab^2$	b	$b^2$
b	b	$ab^2$	$b^2$	e	a	ab
$b^2$	$b^2$	ab	e	b	$ab^2$	a
ab	ab	$b^2$	$ab^2$	a	e	b
$ab^2$	$ab^2$	$ab^2$	a	ab	$b^2$	e

$$\begin{aligned}
 a^2b &= eb = b & aba &= aab^2 = a^2b^2 = b^2 \\
 a^2b^2 &= eb^2 = b^2 & abb &= ab^2 \\
 bab &= ab^2b = ab^3 = a & abb^2 &= ab^3 = a \\
 ba^2b^2 &= ab^2b^2 = ab^3b = ab & abab &= a(ab^2)b \\
 b^2a &= bba = bab^2 = ab^4b^2 = ab & & = a^2b^3 = e \\
 b^4b^2 &= eb = b & abab^2 &= a(ab^2)b^2 \\
 b^3ab &= b(ab^2)b = bab^3 = ba = ab^2 & & = b \\
 b^2ab^2 &= b(ab^2)b^2 = ab^2b = ab^3 = a & ab^2a &= ab(ab^2)a = ab^2 \\
 ab^2a &> ab(ab^2)a = ab^2 & ab^2b &= ab^3 = a \\
 ab^2ab &= aab^2 = b^2 & ab^2b^2 &= ab^2b^2 = ab \\
 ab^2ab &= abab^2 = b^2 & ab^2ab^2 &= ab(ab^2)b^2 \\
 ab^2ab &= abab^2 = b^2 & & = abab^4 = abab = e
 \end{aligned}$$

## G Cayley Diagrams



1. Define the group



e	a	ac	c
e	a	ac	c
a	e	c	ac
ac	c	e	a
c	ac	a	e

Let  $f: D \rightarrow T$

injective  $\Rightarrow$  prove if  $f(a) = f(b)$ , then  $a = b \quad \forall a, b \in D$

surjective  $\Rightarrow$  prove  $\forall x \in T, \exists y \in D$  s.t.  $f(y) = x$

bijection  $\Rightarrow$  prove injective + surjective

## Chapter 7 Groups of Permutations

Permutation of set  $A$  = a bijective function from  $A$  to  $A$ .

Symmetric Group  $S_A$  on set  $A$

$S_n$ : The set of all the permutations of  $A = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .  
with the operation  $\circ$  of composition,

$$S_3 : \varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\delta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \kappa = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

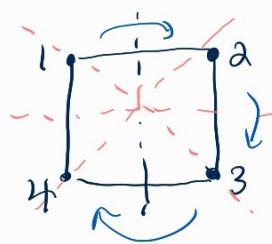
$3! = 6$  elements

$\circ$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$
$\varepsilon$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$
$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\kappa$	$\gamma$
$\beta$	$\beta$	$\kappa$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$
$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
$\delta$	$\delta$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\alpha$
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$

Dihedral Group  $D_n$ :

The group of symmetries of regular polygons  
with  $n \geq 3$  sides

$D_4$ : group of symmetries of the square



$$R_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad R_7 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Chapter 8 Permutations of a Finite Set

(breakdown) (breakdown)

Permutations  $\rightarrow$  Cycles  $\rightarrow$  Transpositions (cycle of length 2)

e.g. in  $S_6$ , cycle  $(1426)$       cycle  $(254)$   
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$        $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$   
 cycle of length 4      cycle of length 3

product of cycles  $(245)(124)$  in  $S_5$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

Even permutations = permutation with even num of transpositions  
Odd permutations = \_\_\_\_\_ odd \_\_\_\_\_

$A_n$  = the Alternating group on the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

= The set of all even permutations in  $S_n$

(is a subgroup of  $S_n$ )

$\mathcal{E}$  the identity permutation is even)

# Chapter 9 Isomorphism

Isomorphism between groups  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ :

A bijective function  $f: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  satisfying

$$\forall a, b \in G_1, f(ab) = f(a)f(b)$$

e.g.  $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{isomorphic}} \langle \mathbb{R}^{\text{pos}}, \cdot \rangle$  with function  $f(x) = e^x$

$\begin{cases} \text{(i) } f \text{ is injective} = \text{ if } e^a = e^b \text{ then } a = b \\ \text{(ii) } f \text{ is surjective} = \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^{\text{pos}}, \exists y = \ln(x) \in \mathbb{R} \text{ st. } f(\ln x) = x \\ \text{(iii) } f(a+b) = e^{a+b} = e^a \cdot e^b = f(a) \cdot f(b) \end{cases}$

Cayley's Theorem = (Arthur Cayley)

every group is isomorphic to a group of permutations

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a group.

*Left Representation of group G*  $\rightarrow \pi_a(x) = ax. \forall x \in G$

If  $G$  commutative  
left representation  
= right representation

Let  $G^* = \{\pi_a : a \in G\}$  where  $\pi_a : G \rightarrow G$  is defined as  $\pi_a$  is a permutation  $\forall a \in G$ .

(i)  $\pi_a$  is injective: if  $ax_1 = ax_2$ , then  $x_1 = x_2$   
(ii)  $\pi_a$  is surjective:  $\forall x \in G, \exists y = a^{-1}x \in G$  st.  $\pi_a(y) = \pi_a(a^{-1}x) = a(a^{-1}x) = x$   
 $\Rightarrow \pi_a$  is bijective mapping  $G \rightarrow G \Rightarrow$  a permutation

\*  $G^*$  is a subgroup of  $S_G$  (the group of all permutations)

(i) closed wrt. compositions =  
 $\pi_a \circ \pi_b = abx = \pi_{ab} \in G^*$   
(ii) closed wrt. inverses =  
 $\pi_e$  is the identity permutation:  $\pi_e(x) = ex = x$   
 $a^{-1}$  exists so  $\pi_{a^{-1}}$  is the inverse of  $\pi_a = \pi_{a^{-1}}(x)\pi_a(x) = x$   
 $\Rightarrow G^*$  is a subgroup of  $S_G$

\* Now  $G$  is isomorphic to  $G^*$  (the selected subgroup of permutations of  $G$ )

let  $f : G \rightarrow G^*$  be defined as

$$f(a) = \pi_a$$

(i)  $f$  is injective:  $\pi_a = \pi_b \Rightarrow a = b$   
(ii)  $f$  is surjective:  $\forall \pi_a \exists a \in G$   
(iii)  $f(ab) = \pi_{ab} = abx = a(bx) = \pi_a \circ \pi_b = f(a) \cdot f(b)$   
 $\Rightarrow f$  is an isomorphism, so  $G \cong G^*$

### Exercises

## C Isomorphism of Some Finite Groups

4.  $S_3$ :

$\circ$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$
$\epsilon$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$
$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\epsilon$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$
$\beta$	$\beta$	$\kappa$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\epsilon$	$\delta$
$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
$\delta$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\epsilon$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\kappa$
$\kappa$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\epsilon$

Another:

$I$	$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$	$K$
$I$	$I$	$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$
$A$	$A$	$I$	$C$	$B$	$K$
$B$	$B$	$K$	$D$	$A$	$I$
$C$	$C$	$D$	$K$	$I$	$A$
$D$	$D$	$C$	$I$	$K$	$B$
$K$	$K$	$B$	$A$	$D$	$C$

Isomorphic by  $f = (\begin{matrix} \epsilon & \alpha & \beta & \gamma & \delta & \kappa \\ I & A & B & C & D & K \end{matrix})$

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Group Automorphisms

Automorphism = an isomorphism from  $G$  to  $G$ .

1. In  $\mathbb{Z}_6$ ,

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) } f \text{ is injective} \\ \text{(ii) } f \text{ is surjective } x=2, y=5 \\ \text{(iii) } f(xy) = f((x+y) \bmod 6) \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad = \text{remainder of } (x+y) \bmod 6 \quad 5 \\ f(x)f(y) = (\text{remainder of } x \bmod 6 + \text{remainder of } y \bmod 6) \bmod 6 \\ \qquad \qquad \qquad = f(xy) \\ \Rightarrow \text{Isomorphism} \rightarrow \text{automorphism} \end{array} \right.$$

## Chapter 10 Order of Group Elements

Order of the element  $a$ : the least positive integer  $n$  s.t.  
 $a^n = e$  or if no such integers, the order is infinity

Exercises E Let  $a, b \in G$ ,  $\text{ord}(a)=m$ ,  $\text{ord}(b)=n$ .

If  $m, n$  relatively prime, then  $a^i b^j$  ( $0 \leq i < m$ ,  $0 \leq j < n$ ) are all distinct.

## Chapter 11 Cyclic Groups

Suppose  $\langle a \rangle$  is a cyclic group whose generator has order  $n$ .

$$\langle a \rangle = \{a^0, a^1, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}\} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{ord}(a)=n \Rightarrow |\langle a \rangle|=n \\ \text{order of generator} \end{matrix}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\} \quad (\text{group of integers modulo } n)$$

$f(i) = a^i$  is an isomorphism from  $\mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \langle a \rangle$

$$\text{so } \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \langle a \rangle$$

Every cyclic group of order  $n$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$

Every cyclic group of order infinity is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}$

Every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic

## Chapter 12 Partitions and Equivalence Relations

$\sim$  : the equivalence relation determined by the partition  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$

- (i) Reflexive:  $x \sim x \quad \forall x \in A$   
(ii) Symmetric: if  $x \sim y$ , then  $y \sim x$   
(iii) Transitive: if  $x \sim y$  and  $y \sim z$ , then  $x \sim z$

Equivalent class  $[x] = \{y \in A : y \sim x\}$

If  $x \sim y$ , then  $[x] = [y]$

The family of all equivalent classes  $\{[x] : x \in A\}$  is a partition of  $A$   
each partition of  $A$  determines / is determined by  
one equivalence relation on  $A$ .

Partition: a family  $\{A_i : i \in I\}$  of nonempty subsets of  $A$  s.t.

(P1) if  $x \in A_i$  and  $x \in A_j$ , then  $A_i = A_j$

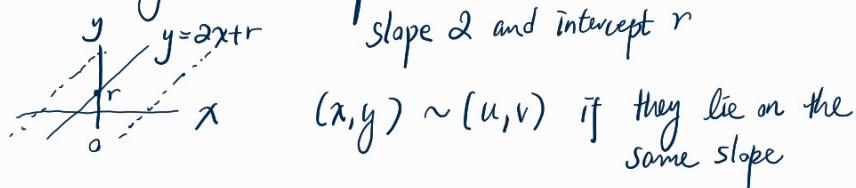
(P2)  $\forall x \in A$ ,  $x \in A_i$  for some  $i \in I$

### Exercises

#### C. Equivalence Relations and Partitions of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$

1.  $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $A_r = \{(x, y) : y = 2x + r\}$ .

Geometrically each partition is a line with slope 2 and intercept  $r$



(i) Suppose  $(u, v) \in A_r$  and  $(u, v) \in A_s$

$$\text{then } v = 2u + r = 2u + s \Rightarrow r = s$$

Hence  $A_r = A_s$

(ii)  $\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}, y = 2x + r \Rightarrow r = y - 2x \in \mathbb{R}$

Hence  $(x, y)$  always lie in the class  $A_{y-2x}$

#### D. Equivalence Relations on Groups

5.  $a \sim b$  iff  $ab^{-1}$  commutes with every  $x \in G$

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{(i) reflexive} \\ ab^{-1} \cdot x = x \cdot ab^{-1} \quad \forall x \Rightarrow a \sim a \\ \text{(ii) symmetric} \\ \text{Since } a \sim b, ab^{-1}x = xab^{-1} \\ ab^{-1}xb = xab \\ ab^{-1}xba^{-1} = x \\ b^{-1}xba^{-1} = a^{-1}x \end{array} \right]$

$$xba^{-1} = ba^{-1}x \rightarrow bva$$

(iii) transitive

$$\begin{aligned} a \sim b \text{ and } b \sim c, & \quad ab^{-1}x = xab^{-1} \text{ and} \\ ab^{-1}(xbc^{-1})x = x(ab^{-1})bc^{-1} & \quad bc^{-1}x = xbc^{-1} \\ xab^{-1}bc^{-1}x = x xab^{-1}bc^{-1} & \quad \downarrow ? \\ xac^{-1}x = x xac^{-1} & \quad ac^{-1}x = xac^{-1} \\ ac^{-1}x = xac^{-1} & \quad \rightarrow a \sim c \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow$  is an equivalent relation

$$\text{Equivalent class } [x] = \{y \in G : yx^{-1}z = zyx^{-1} \forall z \in G\}$$

## Chapter 13 Counting Cosets

Let  $G$  be a group,  $H$  be a subgroup.

$\begin{matrix} \text{left} \\ \text{coset} \end{matrix} \quad aH \quad Ha \quad \begin{matrix} \text{right} \\ \text{coset} \end{matrix}$

denotes the set of all products  $ha$ , as a fixed,  $h$  ranges over  $H$

If  $a \in Hb$ , then  $Ha = Hb$

$$\begin{cases} \text{since } a = h_1 b \text{ for some } h_1 \in H, \\ \forall x \in Ha, x = h_2 a = (h_2 h_1)b \in Hb \end{cases}$$

① Thm  $\{Ha : a \in G\}$  is a partition of  $G$

$$\begin{cases} \text{(i) suppose } x \in Ha \text{ and } x \in Hb \\ \text{then } x = h_1 a = h_2 b \text{ for some } h_1, h_2 \in H \\ \Rightarrow a = (h_1)^{-1}h_2 b \text{ and } (h_1)^{-1}h_2 \in H \\ \Rightarrow a \in Hb \Rightarrow Ha = Hb \end{cases}$$

(ii) Any  $x \in G = x \in H_x$  because  $x = ex$

$\rightarrow$  is a partition

② Thm  $H$  and  $H_a$  has a one-one correspondence, for any coset  $Ha$

Define  $f: H \rightarrow Ha = f(h) = ha$

$$\begin{cases} \text{(i) injective: } f(h_1) = f(h_2) \Rightarrow h_1 = h_2 \\ \text{(ii) surjective: } \forall x \in Ha, f(h_x) = x \\ \Rightarrow \text{one-one correspondence} \end{cases}$$

### ③ Lagrange's Theorem

Let  $G$  be finite group,  $H$  any subgroup.

Then  $|G|$  is a multiple of  $|H|$  (the order of  $G$   
= multiple of order of  $H$ )

| Proof: since any coset  $H_a$  has the same order (# elements) as  $H$ , and the family of cosets  $\{H_a\}$  is a partition of  $G$ .

④ Thm If a group  $G$  has prime number of elements, then  $G$  is a cyclic group; any element  $\neq e$  is a generator

| Proof: the subgroup is unique (up to isomorphism)  
since it must has a prime order equal to the order of  $G$   
by Lagrange Theorem. E.g.  $\mathbb{Z}_7, \mathbb{Z}_{11}$

Index of  $H$  in  $G$   $G:H$  - the number of cosets of  $H$  in  $G$

### Exercises

#### B. Examples of Cosets in Infinite Groups

1. The subgroup  $\langle 3 \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$  (with + as operator)

$$\langle 3 \rangle = \{-3^3, -3^2, -3^1, 1, 3, 3^2, 3^3, \dots\}$$

$$\text{Cosets} = \{\langle 3 \rangle + 1, \langle 3 \rangle + 2, \langle 3 \rangle + 0\}$$

#### E Elementary Properties of Cosets

##### Cauchy's Theorem

If  $G$  is a finite group, and  $p$  is a prime divisor of  $|G|$ , then  $G$  has an element of order  $p$ .

#### Survey of all possible groups whose order is $\leq 10$

Prime-related:

Group with 2, 3, 5, 7 elements:  $G \approx \mathbb{Z}_p$  (the unique cyclic group)

Group with 4, 9 elements:  $G \approx \mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$  or  $G \approx \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$

Groups with 6 elements

the group must have elements with order 2 and order 3. (Cauchy)

$\Rightarrow \{e, a, b, b^2, ab, ab^2\}$  must be distinct by Chapter 10 Exercise E.

$\Rightarrow$  if  $ba = ab$ , then  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_6$

if  $ba = ab^2$ , then  $G \cong S_3$

$\mathbb{Z}_6$  and  $S_3$  are the only possible groups (up to isomorphism)

Groups with 10 elements

the group must have elements with order 2 and 5 (Cauchy)

$\Rightarrow \{e, a, b, b^2, b^3, b^4, ab, ab^2, ab^3, ab^4\}$  must be distinct

$\Rightarrow$  if  $ba = ab$ , then  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_{10}$

$ba \neq ab^2, ba \neq ab^3$

if  $ba = ab^4$ , then  $G \cong D_5$

$\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  and  $D_5$  are the only possible groups (up to isomorphism)

Groups with 8 elements

If  $G$  has an element of order 8  $\Rightarrow G \cong \mathbb{Z}_8$

Assume no:

if every  $x \neq e$  in  $G$  has order 2

$\Rightarrow \{e, a, b, c, ab, ac, bc, abc\}$  are distinct  $\Rightarrow G \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$

if  $G$  has an element of order 4

$\Rightarrow$  let  $H = \{e, a, a^2, a^3\}$ , let  $b \in G$  but  $b \notin H$  and  $H_b = \{b, ab, a^2b, a^3b\}$ .

By Lagrange's Theorem,  $G = \{e, a, a^2, a^3, b, ab, a^2b, a^3b\}$

$\Rightarrow$  Assume there is an element in  $H_b$  that has order 2

$\Rightarrow$  if  $ba = ab \Rightarrow G \cong \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$        $ba \neq a^2b$

if  $ba = a^3b \Rightarrow G \cong D_4$

$\Rightarrow$  Assume not,  $\{b, ab, a^2b, a^3b\}$  all have order 4

$\Rightarrow a^4 = b^4 = e, a^2 = b^2, ba = a^3b$  completely determines  $G$

Quaternion group  $\mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Q}$

$\therefore$  The only groups (up to isomorphism) are  $\mathbb{Z}_8, \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2, D_4$ , and  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

I Conjugate Elements

Conjugate of  $a = \{x \in G : xax^{-1}\}$

1. "a is equal to a conjugate of b" is an equivalence relation

- (a) Reflexive  
if  $a = eae^{-1} \Rightarrow a$  is equal to a conjugate of a
  - (b) Symmetric  
if  $a = xbx^{-1} \Rightarrow b = x^{-1}ax = (x^{-1})a(x^{-1})^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow b$  is equal to a conjugate of a
  - (c) Transitive  
 $a = xbx^{-1}, b = xc x^{-1}$   
 $a = x(xcx^{-1})x^{-1} = (x)^2 c (x^{-1})^2 \Rightarrow a$  is equal to a conjugate of c
- is a equivalence relation

Centralizer of a:  $C_a = \{x \in G : xa = ax\}$  elements commutes with a  
 $= \{x \in G : xax^{-1} = a\}$

5. There is a one-one correspondence between

the sets of all Conjugates of a

and the sets of all cosets of Centralizers of a

6. The size of every conjugate class is a factor of  $|G|$

## I. Group Acting on a Set

Let A be a set.

G be any subgroups of  $S_A$

⇒ a subgroup of permutations of A ⇒ a group Acting on a set A

Orbit of  $u \in A = O(u) = \{g(u) : g \in G\}$

define  $u \sim v$  iff  $g(u) = v$ ;  $\sim$  is equivalent relation

and orbits are equivalent classes

Stabilizer of  $u \in A = G_u = \{g \in G : g(u) = u\}$

the set of all permutations in G which leave u fixed.

3. Let  $\alpha = (12)(34)(56)$  in  $S_6$ .  
 $\beta = (23)$

Let  $G = \{\epsilon, \alpha, \beta, \alpha\beta, \beta\alpha, \alpha\beta\alpha, \beta\alpha\beta, (\alpha\beta)^2\}$  be a subgroup of  $S_6$

$$O(1) = \{g(1) : g \in G\} = \{\boxed{1}, 2, \boxed{1}, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$O(2) = \{g(2) : g \in G\} = \{\boxed{2}, 1, 3, 4, 1, \boxed{2}, 4, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$$G(1) = \{g \in G : g(1) = 1\} = \{\epsilon, \beta\}$$

$$G(2) = \{g \in G : g(2) = 2\} = \{\epsilon, \alpha\beta\alpha\}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \alpha(2)=1 \\ \beta(1)=1 \\ \alpha(1)=2 \end{array}$$

# Chapter 14 Homomorphisms

Let  $G, H$  be groups.

Homomorphism from  $G$  to  $H$ :

A function  $f: G \rightarrow H$  s.t.  $\forall a, b \in G$ ,

$$f(a_1 b) = f(a_1) f(b)$$

$\Rightarrow H$  is a homomorphic image of  $G$ .

Example:

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathbb{Z}_6 + \\ \hline \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & 5 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{homomorphic image}} \begin{array}{c} f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z}_3 + \\ \hline \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 \end{matrix} \end{array}$$

$$\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow P = \begin{array}{c} + \\ \hline \begin{matrix} e & 0 \\ e & e & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{matrix} \end{array} \quad \text{where } f \text{ carries all even integers to } e \\ \text{odd integers to } 0 \\ f(r+s) = f(r) + f(s)$$

① Thm  $G, H$  groups,  $f: G \rightarrow H$  a homomorphism. Then

$$(i) f(e) = e$$

$$(ii) f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1} \quad \forall a \in G.$$

Normal subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ :

If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$  and closed w.r.t. multiplication, inverses  
 $H$  is closed w.r.t. conjugates, i.e.

$$xax^{-1} \in H \quad \forall a \in H, \forall x \in G$$

Kernel of the homomorphism  $f: G \rightarrow H$ :

$$\ker(f) = K = \{ x \in G : f(x) = e_H \}$$

all elements of  $G$  carried by  $f$  onto the identity element of  $H$ .

② Thm Let  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism.

(i)  $\ker(f)$  is a Normal subgroup of  $G$

<p>(a) closed w.r.t. multiplications ?</p> $\begin{aligned} a, b \in \ker(f) &\Rightarrow f(a) = e \quad f(b) = e \\ f(ab) &= f(a)f(b) \quad (\text{homomorphism}) \\ &= e \\ \therefore ab &\in \ker(f) \end{aligned}$	<p>(b) closed w.r.t. inverses ?</p> $\begin{aligned} f(a^{-1}) &= [f(a)]^{-1} \quad (\text{homomorphism}) \\ &= e^{-1} \\ &= e \\ \therefore a^{-1} &\in \ker(f) \end{aligned}$	Is a Subgroup
<p>(c) closed w.r.t. conjugates ?</p> $\begin{aligned} f(xax^{-1}) &= f(x)f(a)f(x^{-1}) \quad (\text{homomorphism}) \\ &= f(x)e f(x^{-1}) \\ &= f(x)[f(x)]^{-1} \quad (\text{homomorphism}) \\ &= e \\ \therefore xax^{-1} &\in \ker(f) \text{ for any } x \in G \end{aligned}$		Is a Normal subgroup

(ii) range of  $f$  is a subgroup of  $G$

### Exercises

#### G1. Properties preserved under Homomorphism

Let  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism. Then

- If  $G$  is abelian, then  $H$  is abelian
- If  $G$  is a cyclic group, then  $H$  — “ —
- If every element of  $G$  has finite order, then  $H$  — “ —
- If every element of  $G$  has its own inverse, then  $H$  — “ —
- If every element of  $G$  has a square root, then  $H$  — “ —
- If  $G$  is finitely generated (finite number of generators), then  $H$  — “ —

#### D. Basic Properties of Normal Subgroups

3. Every subgroup of an abelian group is normal.

Let  $G$  be an abelian group,  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ .

Let  $x \in G, a \in H$ .

$$\begin{aligned} xax^{-1} &= (xx^{-1})a \quad (\text{abelian}) \\ &= a \in H. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $H$  is normal

## Chapter 15 Quotient Groups

Thm If  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ ,

then  $aH = Ha$  for every  $a \in G$ .

| Proof: Let  $x \in aH$ .

$$x = ah_1 \text{ for some } h_1 \in H.$$

and  $ah_1 a^{-1} \in H$  since  $H$  is closed wrt. conjugate.

$$\text{Then } x = ah_1(a^{-1}a)$$

$$= (ah_1 a^{-1})a \in Ha \therefore aH = Ha \forall a \in G$$

Thm Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

If  $Ha = Hc$  and  $Hb = Hd$ ,

$$\text{then } H(ab) = H(cd) \text{ where } H(ab) = Ha \cdot Hb \\ H(cd) = Hc \cdot Hd$$

| Proof: Since  $a \in Hc$ ,  $b \in Hd$ ,

$$ab = h_1 c \cdot h_2 d$$

$$= h_1 (ch_2)d$$

$$= h_1 (h_3 c)d \leftarrow \text{since } ch_2 \in CH = Hc$$

$$= (h_1 h_3)cd \in H(cd) \quad \text{when } H \text{ is normal}$$

## Quotient Group of $G$ by $H$

Let  $G$  a group,  $H$  a normal subgroup

$$G/H = \{Ha, Hb, Hc, \dots\} = \text{all cosets of } H$$

with coset multiplication  $Ha \circ Hb = H(a,b)$  is a Group

| Proof of  $G/H$  is a group:

(i) associative

$$\begin{aligned} H(a(bc)) &= Ha \cdot (Hb \circ Hc) \\ &= h_1 a \cdot h_2 b \cdot h_3 c \\ &= (Ha \cdot Hb) \cdot Hc = H(a,b)c \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $\exists$  identity

$$He \text{ is the identity since } Hae = Ha \cdot He = He \cdot Ha \\ = Ha$$

(iii)  $\exists$  inverse

$$\forall Ha, H_{a^{-1}} \circ Ha = He$$

Thm  $G/H$  is a homomorphic image of  $G$ .

Consider  $f: G \rightarrow G/H$  where  $f(x) = H_x$  Natural homomorphism

$$f(xy) = H_{xy} = H_x \circ H_y = f(x)f(y) \text{ so } f \text{ is a homomorphism}$$

Example

In  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_6, + \rangle$ ,  $\langle 6 \rangle$  is a Normal subgroup (since  $\mathbb{Z}$  is abelian).

Consider the Quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_6 / \langle 6 \rangle$ :

Cosets of the subgroup  $\langle 6 \rangle$ :  $\{\langle 6 \rangle + 0, \langle 6 \rangle + 1, \dots, \langle 6 \rangle + 5\}$

Then  $\mathbb{Z}_6 / \langle 6 \rangle$  consists of 6 elements, write as  $\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \bar{4}, \bar{5} =$

and can be seen as  $\mathbb{Z}_6$

For any  $n$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is a homomorphic image  
of  $\mathbb{Z}$

$+$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$
$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$
$\bar{1}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{0}$
$\bar{2}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$
$\bar{3}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$
$\bar{4}$	$\bar{4}$	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$
$\bar{5}$	$\bar{5}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{4}$

(5) Thm.  $G$  be a group,  $H$  be a subgroup.

(i)  $H_a = H_b$  iff  $ab^{-1} \in H$  for  $a = h, b \Rightarrow ab^{-1} = h \in H$

(ii)  $H_a = H$  iff  $a \in H$

Choose  $H$  so as to "factor out" unwanted properties of  $G$ , and preserve in  $G/H$  only "desirable" traits.

Examples

Let  $G$  be an abelian group,

$H$  consists of all elements having finite order.

Quotient group  $G/H$ : no element except identity have finite order.

suppose  $Hx \in G/H$  has finite order.

then  $\exists m \neq 0$  s.t.  $(Hx)^m = H$  (the neutral element)

$$Hx^m = H$$

$$x^m \in H \quad (\text{by (5)(ii)})$$

$$\text{so } (x^m)^k = e \Rightarrow x \in H \Rightarrow Hx = H \quad (\text{by (5)(ii)})$$

$\therefore$  the only element having finite order is  $H$  the neutral element

Commutator:  $\{a, b \in G : aba^{-1}b^{-1}\}$   $aba^{-1}b^{-1} = e$  iff  $ab = ba$

the number of distinct commutators in a group  $G$

is a measure of the extent to which  $G$  departs from commutative

Let  $H$ : subgroup which contains all the commutators of  $G$ ,

then  $G/H$  is abelian: no element except identity is a commutator

$$Hyx = Hxy \text{ iff } yx(xy)^{-1} \in H$$

$$\Leftrightarrow yxy^{-1}x^{-1} \in H \text{ satisfied since } H \text{ contains all commutators}$$

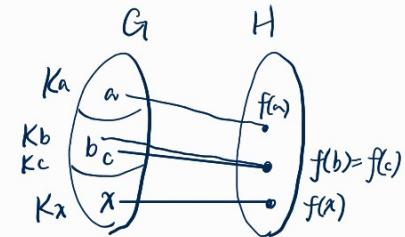
# Chapter 16 The Fundamental Homomorphism Theorem

Every homomorphic image of  $G$  is isomorphic to a quotient group of  $G$ .  
by the kernel of  $f$

① Thm. Let  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism with kernel  $K$ .

Then  $f(a) = f(b)$  iff  $Ka = Kb$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } f(a) = f(b) &\Leftrightarrow f(a)[f(b)]^{-1} = e \\ &\Leftrightarrow f(ab^{-1}) = e \quad (\text{by homomorphism}) \\ &\Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} \in K \\ &\Leftrightarrow Ka = Kb \quad (\text{by Thm ⑤(ii)}) \end{aligned}$$



② Thm. The Fundamental Homomorphism Theorem

Let  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $H$ .

If  $K$  is the kernel of  $f$ , then

$$H \cong G/K$$

$$\boxed{\text{If } f: G \xrightarrow[K]{} H \text{ then } H \cong G/K}$$

Proof: Define  $\phi: G/K \rightarrow H$  as

$$\phi(Kx) = f(x)$$

- (a)  $\phi$  uniquely defined?  
by Thm ① if  $Ka = Kb$ , then  $f(a) = f(b)$
  - (b)  $\phi$  injective?  
if  $\phi(Ka) = \phi(Kb)$ ,  $f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow a = b$  since  $f$  injective
  - (c)  $\phi$  surjective?  
 $\forall f(x) \in H$ ,  $\exists Kx$  st.  $\phi(Kx) = f(x) \Rightarrow$  surjective
  - (d)  $\phi(KaKb) = f(ab) = f(a)f(b) = \phi(Ka)\phi(Kb)$
- $\rightarrow \phi$  is an isomorphism

Example

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ from } \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3.$$

$$\ker(f) = \{0, 3\} = \langle 3 \rangle. \text{ By FHT,}$$

$$J: \mathbb{Q}_6 \xrightarrow{\langle 3 \rangle} \mathbb{Q}_3 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_3 \cong \mathbb{Q}_6 / \langle 3 \rangle$$

### Exercises

B. Example of the FHT applied to  $\mathcal{F}(R)$ .

Let  $\alpha: \mathcal{F}(R) \rightarrow R$  be defined by  $\alpha(f) = f(1)$

$\beta: \mathcal{F}(R) \rightarrow R$  be defined by  $\beta(f) = f(0)$ .

1.  $\alpha, \beta$  are homomorphisms from  $\mathcal{F}(R)$  to  $R$

$$\alpha(f_1 f_2) = f_1 f_2(1) = \alpha(f_1) \alpha(f_2). \dots$$

2. Let  $J$ : the set of all functions whose graph passes through  $(1, 0)$   
 $K$ : the set of all functions whose graph passes through  $(0, 0)$ .

$$\forall f \in J, \alpha(f) = f(1) = 0 \Rightarrow J \text{ is a kernel of } \alpha \dots$$

$$\text{By F.H.T, } R \cong \mathcal{F}(R)/J \text{ and } R \cong \mathcal{F}(R)/K$$

3. Hence,  $\mathcal{F}(R)/J \cong \mathcal{F}(R)/K$  for any  $J, K$  whose graphs pass through  $(x, 0)$  for some  $x$

### H. Quotient Groups Isomorphic to the Circle Group

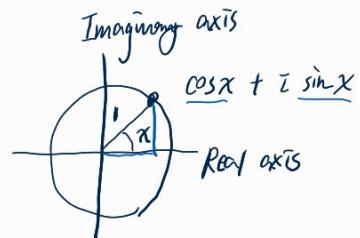
The unit circle consisting of all the complex numbers  
 can be written in the form

$$\text{cis } x = \cos x + i \sin x$$

(1) & (2) =  $\langle T, \circ \rangle$  is a circle group

$$\text{where } T = \{ \text{cis } x : x \in R \}$$

$$\text{and } \circ = \text{cis}(x+y) = \text{cis}(x) \text{cis}(y)$$



(3) - (5) = Let  $f(x) = \text{cis } x$ .  $f: R \xrightarrow{\text{kernel}} T$

By FHT,

$$R / \langle 2\pi \rangle \cong T.$$

$$\langle 2\pi \rangle = \{ 2n\pi : n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$

(6) - (7) = Let  $g(x) = \text{cis } 2\pi x$ .  $g: R \xrightarrow{\text{kernel}} T$

By FHT,

$$R / \mathbb{Z} \cong T.$$

$$\mathbb{Z}$$

### E. First Isomorphism Theorem

Let  $G$  be a group;  $H, K$  subgroups, and  $H$  a normal subgroup.

The function  $f(k) = Hk$  is a homomorphism  $f: K \xrightarrow{(H \cap K)} HK/H$

By FHT,  $K / (H \cap K) \cong HK/H$

### I. Second Isomorphism Theorem

Let  $H, K$  be normal subgroups and  $H \subseteq K$ .

The function  $\phi(Ha) = Ka$  is a homomorphism

$$\phi: G/H \xrightarrow{\quad\text{Ker}\quad} G/K$$

By FHT,  $(G/H) / (K/H) \cong G/K$

## M. p-Sylow Subgroups

p-group = a finite group  $G$  with every element  $x$  in  $G$  has a power  $p$  where  $p$  is prime.

p-subgroup = when  $H$  is a p-group and  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

p-Sylow subgroup = when  $K$  is a p-subgroup and  $K$  is maximal  
( $K$  not contained in other larger p-subgroup)

## N. Sylow's Theorem

Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $p$  a prime number.

$\forall n$  s.t.  $p^n$  divides  $|G|$ ,  $G$  has a subgroup of order  $p^n$ .

## P. Decomposition of a Finite Abelian Group into p-Groups

Suppose  $|G| = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \cdots p_n^{k_n}$  (prime factorization)

Then  $G \cong G_1 \times G_2 \times \cdots \times G_n$  where  $G_i$  is a  $p_i$ -group.

## Q. Basis Theorem for Finite Abelian Groups

Every finite abelian group is a direct product of cyclic groups of prime power order.

## Chapter 17 Rings: definitions and elementary properties

Examine algebraic systems with two operations instead of just one.

Ring = a set  $A$  with operations  $+$ ,  $\times$  satisfying:

(R1) =  $\langle A, + \rangle$  is an Abelian group

(R2) =  $\times^{\text{multiplication}}$  is associative

(R3) =  $\times^{\text{multiplication}}$  is distributive over  $+$

$$\text{i.e. } \forall a, b, c \in A, \quad a(b+c) = ab+ac \\ (b+c)a = ba+ca$$

Ihm Let  $a, b \in \text{ring } A$ .

(i).  $a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0$

define multiplication

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (ii) a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab) \\ (iii) (-a)(-b) = ab \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{with the additive-neutral element (0)} \\ \text{and with additive-inverses (negatives)} \end{array}$$

Examples :

the ring of the integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  with +,  $\times$ rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$ real numbers  $\mathbb{R}$ complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ 

Infinite rings

the ring of the real functions  $F(\mathbb{R})$ 

$$\begin{aligned} [f+g](x) &= f(x)+g(x) \\ [fg](x) &= f(x)g(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \end{aligned}$$

 $\mathbb{Z}_n$  with addition modulo  $n$   
multiplication modulo  $n$  is a finite ring

"Optional features" of Ring :

- ① a commutative Ring : when multiplication is also commutative
- ② a Ring with Unity : when  $\exists$  a neutral element for multiplication, denoted by 1.
- ③ with invertible elements : elements with multiplicative inverses

Field = a commutative ring with unity in which  
 ① + ② + ③ every non-zero element is invertible

Examples : infinite fields =  $\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ finite fields =  $\mathbb{Z}_5$ 

- ④ with cancellation property :  
 iff no divisors of zero  
 i.e. nonzero  $b$  s.t.  $ab=0$  when  $a \neq 0$
- if  $ab=ac$  /  $ba=ca$   
 implies  $b=c$   
 $\forall a \neq 0, b, c \in \text{ring } A$

Integral Domain

- ① + ② + ④ = a commutative ring with unity having the cancellation property e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}$

Fields are Integral Domains;

but Integral Domains might not be fields, e.g.  $\mathbb{Z}$