

$$a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots$$

$$\gcd(a_i, a_j) = 1$$

Hint: try and prove

$$a_n \mid a_{n+1} - 2.$$

Once you've proven this try and prove then that  $\gcd(a_n, a_{n+1}) = 1$ .

and then try and generalise this to any pair.

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow a_{n+1} - 2 &= 10^{\overset{n+1}{2}} + 1 - 2 \\ &= 10^{\overset{n+1}{2}} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left( \frac{?}{?} \right) a_n$$

$$= \left( \frac{?}{?} \right) (10^{2^n} - 1)$$

Investigate  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots$

Also look at the exercise.

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where we used.

$$(a^m - b^m) = (a - b) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} a^{m-1-j} b^j \right)$$

$$a_{n+1} - 2 = q a_n$$

Q15

$$\sigma \in S_9$$

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

This  $\sigma$  has cycle structure/type

$$[1, 2, 2, 3]$$

Claim  $\alpha, \beta \in S_n$

$\alpha, \beta$  have the same cycle type

iff  $\alpha, \beta$  are conjugate.

$$\text{ie. } \exists \gamma \in S_n \quad \beta = \underline{\underline{\gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1}}}$$

Proof: We will prove that if  $\beta$  contains a cycle of length  $m$ , then so does  $\alpha$ .

So suppose  $\beta$  has the cycle  
 $(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{m-1})$

$$\text{so } \beta(a_j) = a_{j+1} \pmod{m}$$

Assume  $\beta = \gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1}$ , for some  $\gamma \in S_n$ .

$$\text{so also } (\gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1})(a_j) = a_{j+1} \pmod{m}$$

Let's define.  $\boxed{\pi_j = \gamma^{-1}(a_j), j=0, \dots, m-1}$

$$(\gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1})(a_j) = a_{j+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(\alpha(\gamma^{-1}(a_j))) = a_{j+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma(\alpha(\pi_j)) = a_{j+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^{-1}(\gamma(\alpha(\pi_j))) = \gamma^{-1}(a_{j+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\alpha(\pi_j) = \pi_{j+1}}$$

This means  $\alpha$  contains the cycle.

$$(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1})$$


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eg.  $\sigma = (6)(1\ 2)(3\ 4\ 5)(7\ 8)(9)$

Consider the conjugate.

$\gamma \sigma \gamma^{-1}$  where  $\gamma$  is the permutation

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

Let's write down the disjoint cycle decomposition of  $\gamma \sigma \gamma^{-1}$

$$\gamma \sigma \gamma^{-1} = (1\ 4\ 5)(2\ 3)(6)(7)(8\ 9)$$

Q20] Let  $H, K$  be subgroups of  $G$ .

Relation  $\sim$  on  $G$  defined by

$a, b \in G$   $a \sim b$  iff  $\exists h \in H, k \in K$   $b = h a k$

Claim:  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation.

① reflexive i.e.  $\forall x \in G$   $x \sim x$

② symmetric i.e.  $\forall x, y \in G$   $x \sim y \Rightarrow y \sim x$

③ transitive, i.e.  $\forall x, y, z \in G$   $(x \sim y \& y \sim z) \Rightarrow x \sim z$

①. Let  $x \in G$ .

we have to find  $h \in H, k \in K$  such that

$$x = h x k$$

this is achieved when  $h = e, k = e$ .

$$x = e x e = x \quad \checkmark$$

So  $\sim$  is reflexive.

②. Let  $x, y \in G$  and suppose  $x \sim y$ .

$$\Rightarrow \exists h, k \in K \quad x = h y k$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{h^{-1}}{e \in H} x \frac{k^{-1}}{e \in K}$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sim x \quad \checkmark$$

So  $\sim$  is symmetric.

③ Let  $x, y, z \in G$ . Suppose  $x \sim y$  &  $y \sim z$

$\Rightarrow \exists h_1, h_2 \in H, k_1, k_2 \in K$  such that  
 $x = h_1 y k_1, y = \underline{h_2 z k_2}$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{h_1 h_2}{\in H} z \frac{k_2 k_1}{\in K} \Rightarrow x \sim z$$

note  $h_1 h_2 \in H$   
 and  $k_1 k_2 \in K$   
 since  $H, K$   
 are subgroups.

So  $\sim$  is transitive.

So  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on  $G$ .

There is an equivalence relation  
 that goes hand in hand with  
 cosets concept.

Given a subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ .

Define relation  $\sim$  on  $G$  by.

$x \sim y$  iff  $xH = yH$ , i.e.  $x, y$  are in  
 the same coset.



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

Define the centralizer of  $H$  in  $G$  as  $C(H)$ .

$$C(H) = \{g \in G : \forall h \in H \quad gh = hg\}$$

Claim:  $C(H)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Proof Check the conditions of Prop 3.30

1.  $e \in C(H)$  since  $\forall h \in H \quad \boxed{eh = h = he}$

2. Let  $x, y \in C(H)$ . Let  $h \in H$ .

$$xyh = xhy = hxy, \text{ since } x, y \in C(H).$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall h \in H \quad (xy)h = h(xy)$$

$$\Rightarrow xy \in C(H)$$

3. Let  $x \in C(H)$

$$\Rightarrow \forall h \in H \quad xh = hx$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall h \in H \quad xh^{-1} = h^{-1}x, \text{ since } h^{-1} \in H.$$

$$\Rightarrow (xh^{-1})^{-1} = (h^{-1})^{-1}x^{-1} = \underline{hx^{-1}} = (h^{-1}x)^{-1} = x^{-1}(h^{-1})^{-1} = \underline{x^{-1}h}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall h \in H \quad \underline{x^{-1}h = hx^{-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in C(H).$$

So by Prop 3.30  $C(H)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Q42  $G = M_2(\mathbb{R})$  = group of  $2 \times 2$  matrices  
with real entries  
under addition.

Consider the subset  $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : a+d=0 \right\}$

Claim:  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

Proof: Using additive notation in  $G$ .

1. Well the identity of  $G$  is the matrix

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } Z \in H \text{ since } \text{trace } Z = 0$$

2. Let  $X, Y \in H$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}, Y = \begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} a+d=0 \\ e+h=0 \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow X+Y = \begin{pmatrix} a+e & b+f \\ c+g & d+h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \text{trace}(X+Y) = a+e+d+h = (a+d) + (e+h) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X+Y \in H$$



3. let  $X = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in H$ , ie  $a+d=0$

well  $-X = \begin{pmatrix} -a & -b \\ -c & -d \end{pmatrix}$

$$\text{trace}(-X) = -a - d = -(a+d) = -0 = 0$$

So by prop 3.30  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .  
subgroup theorem.

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Q14 Example of a general construction called (external) direct product of groups.

Consider the two known groups

$\mathbb{R}^* =$  non-zero reals under  $\times$

$\mathbb{Z} =$  integers under  $+$ .

Consider the Cartesian product.

$$G = \mathbb{R}^* \times \mathbb{Z} = \left\{ (r, z) : \begin{array}{l} r \in \mathbb{R}^* \\ z \in \mathbb{Z} \end{array} \right\}$$

Claim:  $G$  is a group under the operation  $\circ$  defined by

$$(a, m) \circ (b, n) = (ab, m+n) \in G$$

$G$  is closed under  $\circ$  since.

$$ab \in \mathbb{R}^*, m+n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ so } (ab, m+n) \in \mathbb{R}^* \times \mathbb{Z}$$

Associativity

$$\left( (a, m) \circ (b, n) \right) \circ (c, p)$$

$$= (ab, m+n) \circ (c, p), \text{ def of } \circ$$

$$= ((ab)c, (m+n)+p), \text{ def of } \circ.$$

$$= (a(bc), m+(n+p)), \text{ using associativity of } \mathbb{R}^* \text{ and } \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$= (a, m) \circ (bc, n+p), \text{ def of } \circ.$$

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$$= (a, m) \circ \left( (b, n) \circ (c, p) \right), \text{ def of } \circ.$$

So  $\circ$  is associative on  $G$ .

Does  $G$  have an identity? Yes

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{H} \times \mathbb{R} & & (1, 0) \\ & \swarrow \downarrow & \searrow \downarrow \\ & \text{id. of } \mathbb{R}^* & \text{id of } \mathbb{R}. \end{array}$$

$$(a, n) \circ (1, 0) = (a \cdot 1, n + 0) \\ = (a, n)$$

Does  $G$  contain inverses for all its elements? Yes.

$$(a, n)^{-1} = \left( \frac{1}{a}, -n \right) \in G.$$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{inv. *} \\ \text{from } \mathbb{R} \end{array}, \begin{array}{c} \text{inv} \\ \text{from } \mathbb{R}. \end{array}$

$$(a, n) \circ \left( \frac{1}{a}, -n \right) = \left( a \cdot \frac{1}{a}, n + (-n) \right) \\ = (1, 0) \\ \text{the identity from } G.$$

Hence  $G$  is a group under  $\circ$ ,  
In fact this all generalizes to  
a general group theory construction.

If  $G_1, G_2$  are groups then

$G_1 \times G_2$  is a group with  
the operation:  $x_1, y_1 \in G_1, x_2, y_2 \in G_2$

$$(x_1, x_2) \circ (y_1, y_2) = (x_1 y_1, x_2 y_2)$$

and also extends to a direct  
product of any number of  
factors.

