

## Homework #7

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1. Let  $F$  denote the additive group of continuous functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) Let  $\phi : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $f \rightarrow \int_0^1 f(x)dx$  for all  $f \in F$ . Prove that  $\phi$  is a group homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f, g &\in F \\
 \phi(f + g) &\stackrel{?}{=} \phi(f) + \phi(g) \\
 \int_0^1 (f + g)(x)dx &\stackrel{?}{=} \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_0^1 g(x)dx \\
 \int_0^1 (f(x) + g(x))dx &\stackrel{?}{=} \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_0^1 g(x)dx \\
 \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_0^1 g(x)dx &= \int_0^1 f(x)dx + \int_0^1 g(x)dx
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the kernel  $K$  of  $\phi$ .

$K$  is the set of all continuous functions where the integral from 0 to 1 equals 0. Algebraically, from the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus, this is the set of functions  $f$  with antiderivative  $F$ , where  $F(1) = F(0)$ . Geometrically, this is the set of functions where the average value between 0 and 1 is 0 (like  $\sin(2\pi x)$ , or  $2x - 1$ ).

- (c) Describe the coset  $x + K$  of the kernel, with both algebraic and geometric descriptions. Is there a “nicer” representative of this coset?

It is the set of functions where the integral from 0 to 1 equals some constant,  $c$ . This means the average value from 0 to 1 is  $c$ . This can be represented as :  $\{f_c \mid \int_0^1 f_c dx = c, f_c \in F, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$

- (d) Note that the cosets of  $K$  are in bijection with  $\mathbb{R}$ . Does Lagrange’s Theorem apply here? Explain very briefly.

Because the cosets of  $K$  form the quotient group of  $G/\ker(\phi)$ , and since  $\phi$  is a surjective function, by the Fundamental Homomorphism Theorem  $\mathbb{R}$  is isomorphic to  $G/\ker(\phi)$ , meaning the mapping is bijective. Lagrange's Theorem does not help us here because it can only speak of cardinalities for infinite sets.

2. (a) Suppose  $G$  is a finite group of order  $m$ . Prove that  $g^m = e$  for all  $g \in G$ .

From Lagrange's Theorem, we know that the order of any  $\langle g \rangle$  (let's call it  $x$ ), for some  $g \in G$  divides  $m$ . Meaning that  $xy = m$ , for some  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then:

$$g^m = g^{x+y} = (g^x)^y = e^y = e$$

- (b) Suppose  $G$  is a finite group, and  $N \trianglelefteq G$ . If there are  $k$  cosets of  $N$  in  $G$ , prove that  $g^k \in N$  for all  $g \in G$ .

Because  $N$  is a normal subgroup, the set of cosets becomes the quotient group  $G/N$  of order  $k$ , where  $(aN)(bN) = (ab)N$  for the binary operation, and  $eN = N$  is the identity. From part (a), we know that for any quotient group,  $q$ ,  $q^k = N$ .

By the definition of the binary operation, this means for any element  $g$ :

$$(gN)^k = N$$

$$(g^k N) = eN$$

$$g^k = e$$

3. This problem will deal with the group  $G = D_4 \times S_3$ .

- (a) How many elements of each order do the groups  $D_4$  and  $S_4$  have? Using this info, determine how many elements of each order  $G$  has.

For $D_4$ :	
Order	Count
1	1
2	5
4	2

For  $S_3$ :

Order	Number	Count
1		1
2		3
3		2

For $G$ :		
Order	Number	Count
1		1
2		29
3		2
4		2
6		10
12		4

- (b) Find all subgroups of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $Z_2 \times Z_2$ . Be sure to explain why you have found all of them.

All sets are of the form  $\{(e, ()), ds\}$  for all  $d \in \{r^2, s, rs, r^2s, r^3s\}$ , and  $s \in \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)\}$ . All of those elements in  $d$  and  $s$  are their own inverse in their respective group. So paired with the group's inverse, they become isomorphic to  $Z_2$ .