

Adding/Multiplying Cosets

- Final Project:

- Choice of topics (see "Final Project Guidelines" at top of iLearn)
- Each consists of three "Exploration Problems" on HW, a reading, and a final report (paper or video) due on 5/20
- Reports will be individual, but for learning + brainstorming, work together!

- Note: HW8 on iLearn now, due Wed.

- Request: Send me your group-mate preferences if you have any!

- Video: If

$G = \text{abelian group}$
 $H \subseteq G$ subgroup,

then

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{left cosets of} \\ H \text{ in } G \end{array} \right\} = G/H \quad \text{"quotient group"}$$

forms a group under the operation
 $(aH) * (bH) = (a * b) H.$

- Ex: $G = \mathbb{Z}$

$H = \{\text{multiples of } 3\}$

$$\Rightarrow G/H = \{0 + H, 1 + H, 2 + H\}$$

- Ex: $G = \{1, g, g^2, g^3, g^4, g^5\}$ ($\text{ord}(g)=6$)
 $H = \{1, g^3\}$ $\leftarrow \text{operation is multiplication}$

$$(gH) \cdot (g^2 H) = g^3 H = \boxed{1 \cdot H}$$

$$g^3 H = \{g^3 \cdot 1, g^3 \cdot g^3\} = \{g^3, 1\} = 1 \cdot H$$

Worksheet 28: Adding/Multiplying Cosets

Math 335

Reporter:

Recorder:

Equity Manager:

1. Let

$$G = \mathbb{Z}_9$$

and let

$$H = \{0, 3, 6\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_9.$$

$$G/H = \{0+H, 1+H, 2+H\}$$

- (a) Apply Lagrange's Theorem to determine the number of distinct left cosets of H in G , and then make a list of those distinct left cosets.

$$\# \text{ of left cosets} = |G|/|H| = 9/3 = 3$$

List of cosets:

- $\cdot 0+H = \{0, 3, 6\} = 3+H$
- $\cdot 1+H = \{1, 4, 7\} = 4+H$
- $\cdot 2+H = \{2, 5, 8\} = 5+H$

- (b) Add the following two left cosets, and express your answer as one of the things from your list from part (a):

$$(2+H) + (1+H) = 3+H = \boxed{0+H}$$

same answer

- (c) On the other hand, $2+H = 5+H$. (Make sure you believe me about this!) Try adding together

$$(5+H) + (1+H) = 6+H = \boxed{0+H}$$

and again expressing your answer as one of the things from your list from part (a). Did you get the same answer as you did in part (b)?

- (d) What's another way you could express $2+H$? Try adding that other expression to $1+H$. Do you still get the same answer?

$$(8+H) + (1+H) = \boxed{0+H}$$

2. Let g be an element of order 15 in a group, and let

$$G = \langle g \rangle = \{1, g, g^2, g^3, \dots, g^{14}\}$$

$$H = \langle g^5 \rangle = \{1, g^5, g^{10}\} \subseteq G.$$

(This is the same example from Worksheet 24.)

- (a) By looking back at Worksheet 24 or re-calculating, make a list of the distinct left cosets of H in G .

$$\begin{aligned} 1H &= \{1, g^5, g^{10}\} \\ gH &= \{g, g^6, g^{11}\} \\ g^2H &= \{g^2, g^7, g^{12}\} \\ g^3H &= \{g^3, g^8, g^{13}\} \\ g^4H &= \{g^4, g^9, g^{14}\} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Multiply the following two left cosets, and express your answer as one of the things from your list from part (a):

$$(g^3H) \cdot (g^4H) = g^7H = \boxed{g^2H}$$

- (c) Check to make sure you believe me that $g^3H = g^8H$. Then try multiplying

$$(g^8H) \cdot (g^4H) = g^{12}H = \boxed{g^2H}$$

Did you get the same answer as you did in part (b)?

- (d) What's another way you could express g^3H ? Try multiplying that other expression by g^4H . Do you still get the same answer?

$$(g^{13}H) \cdot (g^4H) = g^{17}H = \boxed{g^2H}$$

NOTE: The results of this worksheet demonstrate that, in these two examples, the operation on cosets is well-defined.