# Chapter 1

# Groups

## Definition 1.1

A group (G, \*) is a set G, together with a binary operator \* such that

Additive Group	Multiplicative Group
Let $G$ be a set, and $+$ be an operation, then $(G, +)$ is an additive group provided	Let $G$ be a set, and be an operation, then $(G, \circ)$ is an multiplicative group provided
$1. \ \forall a, b \in G, \ a+b \in G$	6. $\forall a, b \in G, \ a \circ b \in G$
2. $\forall a, b, c \in G, \ a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$	7. $\forall a, b, c \in G, \ a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c$
3. $\forall a \in G, \exists 0 \in G \text{ (identity) s.t.}$	8. $\forall a \in G, \exists 1 \in G \text{ (unity) s.t.}$
a + 0 = a = 0 + a	$a \circ 1 = a = 1 \circ a$
4. $\forall a \in G, \exists -a \in G \text{ (additive inverse) s.t.}$	9. $\forall a \in G, \exists a^{-1} \in G \text{ (unity) s.t.}$
a + (-a) = 0 = (-a) + a	$a \circ a^{-1} = 1 = a^{-1} \circ a$
5. (Commutative) $\forall a, b \in G, a + b = b + a$	10. (Commutative) $\forall a, b \in G, \ a \circ b = b \circ a$

Joining additive and multiplicative groups together, we form a ring with distributive laws

11. 
$$\forall a, b, c \in G, (a + b) \circ c = (a \circ c) + (b \circ c)$$

12. 
$$\forall a, b, c \in G, c \circ (a+b) = (c \circ a) + (c \circ b)$$

• Abelian group: (1-5) or (6-10)

• Associative Ring: 1-6, with 11 and 12

• Semigroup: 1, 2 only

• Monoid: 1, 3 only

• Commutative ring: 1-5, 6, 10, 11, and 12

• Ring: 1-5, with 11 and 12

• Ring with unity: 1-6, with 8, 11, and 12

• Field: 1-12

## Lemma 1.1 Uniqueness of group identity

In a group G, there is one and only one identity element e.

*Proof.* For the sake of contradiction. Suppose not, Suppose that e and e' are both identity elements of group G. Since e is an identity element of G, then  $e \in G$  and

$$ea = a = ae \quad \forall a \in G.$$
  $(\heartsuit)$ 

Since e' is also an identity element of G, we said that  $e' \in G$  and

$$e'a = a = ae' \quad \forall a \in G.$$

From  $(\heartsuit)$ , if we take a = e', then  $e \cdot e' = e'$ .

From  $(\ )$ , if we take a=e, then  $e=e\cdot e'$ .

Combining the results we have  $e = e \cdot e' = e'$ , and so e = e'. There is only one identity element in G. We proved the uniqueness of identity.

## Lemma 1.2 Cancellation rule

In a group G, ba = ca implies b = c; and ab = ac implies b = c.

*Proof.* Consider G is a group, then

$$\forall a \in G, \exists a' \in G \quad s.t. \quad aa' = e = a'a.$$

To show the right cancellation works, we further consider ba = ca. Multiplying a' on both sides of the previous equation on right, we obtained

$$(ba)a' = (ca)a'$$

Then, b(aa') = c(aa') and so  $be = ce \Rightarrow b = c$ . The proof is now complete.

## Theorem 1.1 Socks-shoes property

$$(a \circ b)^{-1} = b^{-1} \circ a^{-1}$$
 (1.1)

*Proof.* Since we know that G is a group, then  $ab \in G$  for all  $a, b \in G$  since G is closure. Next, we consider the following equation

$$(ab)(b^{-1}a^{-1})=a(bb^{-1})a^{-1}$$
  $G$  is associative 
$$=aea^{-1}$$
 
$$=aa^{-1}$$
 
$$=\boxed{e}$$
 cancellation rule returns identity

this equation states that

$$(ab)(b^{-1}a^{-1}) = a(bb^{-1})a^{-1} = e$$

now we cancel off ab from both sides of the equations, we now arrive at

$$(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$$

and we have done the proof.

*Remark.* In abstract algebra, the position of inputs in binary operator is very important! The commutative property no necessary hold.  $a \circ b \neq b \circ a$ . E.g. matrix multiplication  $AB \neq BA$ .

**Example 1.0.1.** Consider (a, b) to be a fixed point on the 2-dimensional cartesian plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , we define a translation map  $T_{a,b}: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  such that

$$T_{a,b}(x,y) = (x+a, y+b)$$

we again define  $G = \{T_{a,b} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Show that  $(G, \circ)$  is a group under function composition.

**Solution** 1. (Closure) We want to show:

$$\forall T_{a,b}, T_{c,d} \in G, \quad T_{a,b} \circ T_{c,d} \in G$$

We compute the composition

$$\begin{split} (T_{a,b} \circ T_{c,d})(x,y) &= T_{a,b}(T_{c,d}(x,y)) \\ &= T_{a,b}(x+c,y+d) \\ &= (x+a+c,y+b+d) \\ &= (x+(a+c),y+(b+d)) \qquad \text{asscoiativity of ordinary addition} \\ &= T_{a+c,b+d}(x,y) \end{split}$$

which closed under G.

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## Theorem 1.2

The following statements are equivalent.

- 1. Every subgroup of a cyclic group (multiplicative group) is cyclic.
- 2. If  $|\langle a \rangle| = n$ , then the order of any subgroup of  $\langle a \rangle$  is a divisor of n.
- 3. For each positive divisor  $k|n, \langle a \rangle$  has exactly one subgroup of order k.  $\langle a^{n/k} \rangle$  if multiplicative group,  $\langle \frac{n}{k} a \rangle$  if additive group.

*Proof.* Let G be a cyclic group and H be a subgroup of G. We need to show that H is also cyclic. Example:  $H = \langle a^m \rangle$  s.t. m is the least positive integer.

By randomly pick integer  $b \in H$ ,  $b = a^k, k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . By division algorithm, k = qm + r, where  $0 \le r < m$ .

$$b = a^k = a^{qm+r} = (a^m)^q a^r \Rightarrow a^r = (a^m)^{-q} b \in H$$
$$\Rightarrow a^r \in H, \quad 0 \le r < m$$
$$\Rightarrow r = 0$$

#### 1.1Finite groups and Subgroups

Remark. We use the notation  $H \leq G$  to mean that H is a subgroup of G. We use the notation H < G to denote that H is a proper subgroup of G.

The subgroup  $\{e\}$  is called the trivial subgroup of G; a subgroup that is not  $\{e\}$  is called a nontrivial subgroup of G.

#### 1.2 Cyclic groups

Cyclic groups are groups in which every element is a power of some fixed element. In additive group, then every element is a multiple of some fixed element. For instance,

$$\underbrace{a+a+\cdots+a}_{n \text{ times}} = na, \quad n \text{ is integer}$$

#### Definition 1.2 Generating subgroup

If G is a multiplicative group and  $g \in G$ , then the subgroup generated by element g is

$$\langle g \rangle = \{\underbrace{a \cdot a \cdot \dots \cdot a}_{n \text{ times}} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{g^n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$
 (1.2)

If the group is abelian and is additive, then

$$\langle g \rangle = \{ \underbrace{a + a + \dots + a}_{n \text{ times}} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \{ ng \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \}$$
 (1.3)

Remark.  $\langle g \rangle$  is called a cyclic subgroup generated by g in group G. When  $G = \langle g \rangle$ , then G is called a cyclic group.

#### Definition 1.3 Cyclic group

A group G is **cyclic** if  $G = \langle g \rangle$  for some  $g \in G$ . g is a **generator** of  $\langle g \rangle$ .

## Lemma 1.3

 $\langle g \rangle$  is a subgroup of G.

*Proof.* We can use 2-step subgroup test to verify  $\langle g \rangle \leq G$ :

1. Since  $g \in \langle g \rangle \neq \emptyset$ .

2. For all  $g_1, g_2 \in \langle g \rangle$ , we have

$$g_1 = g^{n_1}, \quad g_2 = g^{n_2}$$

where  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are integers. And since

$$g_1 g_2 = g^{n_1} g^{n_2} = g^{n_1 + n_2}$$

and  $n_+n_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  implies that  $g_1 g_2 \in \langle g \rangle$ .

3. For all  $g_1 \in \langle g \rangle$ , we have  $g_1 = g^k$ , where k is integer. We compute the inverse

$$g_1^{-1} = (g^k)^{-1} = g^{-k}, -k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

which tells us that  $g_1^{-1} \in \langle g \rangle$ .

Therefore, by 2-step subgroup test,  $\langle g \rangle$  is a subgroup of G.

## Lemma 1.4

If G is a cyclic group, then G is abelian.

*Proof.* Consider a cyclic group G. We want to show G is also an abelian group. Since G is a group, we say

$$\forall g_1, g_2 \in G, \quad g_1 = g^{n_1}, \quad g_2 = g^{n_2}$$

where  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are integers. In order to show that G is abelian, we need to show that the commutative law applied in group G.

now compute

$$g_1 g_2 = a^{n_1} a^{n_2}$$
 
$$= g^{n_1+n_2}$$
 
$$= g^{n_2+n_1}$$
 commutative in normal addition 
$$= g^{n_2} g^{n_1} = \boxed{g_2 g_1}$$

thus G is an abelian group.

## Definition 1.4 Center of group

The **center**, Z(G), of a group G is a subset of elements in G that commute with every element of G, that is,

$$Z(G) = \{ g \in G \mid gx = xg \text{ for all } x \in G \}.$$

$$(1.4)$$

### Lemma 1.5

The center of a group G is also a subgroup of G.

*Proof.* We use one-step subgroup test to verify:

1. Since we know that G is a group, certainly the identity  $e \in G$  and

$$ex = x = xe \quad \forall x \in G.$$

implies that  $e \in Z(G)$  and Z(G) is nonempty.

2. For any  $a_1, a_2$  in Z(G), we need to show

$$a_1 a_2^{-1} \in Z(G)$$
.

Since Z(G) is the center, we have  $a_1 x = x a_1$  and  $a_2 x = x a_2$  for all  $x \in G$ . Proving  $a_1 a_2^{-1} \in Z(G)$  is equivalent to show

$$a_1 a_2^{-1} x = x a_1 a_2^{-1} \quad \forall x \in G$$

compute

$$a_1 a_2^{-1} x = a_1(a_2^{-1} x)$$
 Associativity of  $Z(G)$ 

$$= a_1(x a_2^{-1})$$
 Since  $a_2^{-1} x = x a_2^{-1}$ 

$$= (a_1 x) a_2^{-1}$$
 Associativity of  $Z(G)$ 

$$= (x a_1) a_2^{-1}$$
 Since  $a_1 x = x a_1$ 

$$= \boxed{x a_1 a_2^{-1}}$$

which is what we desired.

Therefore the center Z(G) is a subgroup of G by one-step subgroup test.

## Definition 1.5 Group centralizer

Let a be a **fixed** element of a group G. The centralizer of a in G is

$$C(a) = \{ g \in G \mid ga = ag \}. \tag{1.5}$$

### Theorem 1.3

Let  $\mathfrak{a}$  be a **fixed** element in group G. If  $\mathfrak{a}$  has infinite order, then  $\mathfrak{a}^i = \mathfrak{a}^j$  if and only if i = j. However, if  $\mathfrak{a}$  has finite order, said, n, then

$$\langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle = \{e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\}$$
 (1.6)

and  $\mathfrak{a}^i = \mathfrak{a}^j$  if and only if n|i-j.

*Proof.* Consider a group G, and take an  $\mathfrak{a}$  from G. If  $\mathfrak{a}$  has infinite order, say,  $\operatorname{ord}(\mathfrak{a}) = \infty$ , then there is no nonzero integer n such that  $\mathfrak{a}^n = e$ . We assume an equation  $\mathfrak{a}^i = \mathfrak{a}^j$  for some  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we have

$$\mathfrak{a}^{i-j} = e \Rightarrow i - j = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{i = j}.$$

and we are done.

On the other hand, if  $\mathfrak{a}$  has finite order, just say  $\mathbf{ord}(\mathfrak{a}) = n$ . We want to show

$$\langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle = \{e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\}.$$

Apparently,  $e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}$  are all belongs to  $\langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle$ , so as the list  $\{e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\} \subseteq \langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle$ . Now we continue to check if  $\{e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\} \supseteq \langle \mathfrak{a} \rangle$ .

By division algorithm, there exists some integers q and r such that

$$k = nq + r, \quad 0 \le r < n$$

compute

$$\mathfrak{a}^k = \mathfrak{a}^{qn+r} = (\mathfrak{a}^n)^q \, \mathfrak{a}^r = e^q \mathfrak{a}^r = \mathfrak{a}^r$$

this implies  $\mathfrak{a}^k = \mathfrak{a}^r \in \{e, \mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{a}^2, \dots, \mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\}$ . Thus we have

$$\{e,\mathfrak{a},\mathfrak{a}^2,\ldots,\mathfrak{a}^{n-1}\}\supseteq\langle\mathfrak{a}\rangle.$$

Now the final part is to show  $\mathfrak{a}^i = \mathfrak{a}^j$  iff n|i-j, we are going to proof on two directions.

 $(\Rightarrow)$  If  $\mathfrak{a}^i = \mathfrak{a}^j$ , we need to show that n is divisible by i-j. Again we applying the division algorithm,

$$i - j = nq + r, \quad 0 \le r < n$$

which q is quotient and r is remainder.

compute

$$\mathfrak{a}^{i-j} = e \Rightarrow \mathfrak{a}^{nq+r} = e$$
 dividion algorithm
$$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{a}^{nq} \, \mathfrak{a}^r = e$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mathfrak{a}^n)^q \, \mathfrak{a}^r = e$$

$$\Rightarrow e^q \, \mathfrak{a}^r = e$$
 since  $\mathfrak{a}^n = e$ 

$$\Rightarrow e \, \mathfrak{a}^r = e$$

but n is the least integer such that  $\mathfrak{a}^n = e$  and so the condition  $0 \le r < n$  implies r = 0. Now we continue on the opposite side of the statement.

 $(\Leftarrow)$  This part is more straightforward. Conversely, if n|i-j, then

$$\mathfrak{a}^{i-j}=\mathfrak{a}^{nq+r}$$
 dividion algorithm 
$$=\mathfrak{a}^{nq}$$
 remainder  $r$  is zero 
$$=(\mathfrak{a}^n)^q$$
 
$$=e^q$$
 since  $\mathfrak{a}^n=e$  
$$=e$$

and we are done.

#### 1.2.1Subgroup tests

#### Theorem 1.4 One step subgroup test

Suppose G is a multiplicative group and  $H \subseteq G$ . If

- 1.  $H \neq \emptyset$ , 2.  $\forall a, b \in H, ab^{-1} \in H$

then H is a subgroup of G.

## Example 1.2.1. Let

#### 1.3 Sylow's theorem

## Theorem 1.5

 $C_5 \times C_2$  and  $C_{10}$  are two isomorphism classes.

*Proof.* From the Third Sylow's theorem, the number of Sylow 5-groups divides 2 and is  $1 \pmod{5}$ , so there is only one Sylow 5-group. And there is a normal subgroup  $K \leq G$  such that |K| = 5.

# 1.4 Automorphism

**Example 1.4.1.** Compute  $Aut(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$ .

**Solution** For any  $\alpha \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$  and for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ . We define  $k \mapsto k\alpha(1)$  such that

$$1 \mapsto \alpha_1 : \quad \mathbb{Z}_{10} \to \mathbb{Z}_{10}, \quad \alpha_1(x) = x$$
$$3 \mapsto \alpha_3 : \quad \mathbb{Z}_{10} \to \mathbb{Z}_{10}, \quad \alpha_3(x) = 3x$$
$$7 \mapsto \alpha_7 : \quad \mathbb{Z}_{10} \to \mathbb{Z}_{10}, \quad \alpha_7(x) = 7x$$
$$9 \mapsto \alpha_9 : \quad \mathbb{Z}_{10} \to \mathbb{Z}_{10}, \quad \alpha_9(x) = 9x$$

In fact,  $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$  is isomorphic to  $U(10) = \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$ .

## 1.5 Cosets

**Example 1.5.1.** Consider  $G = \mathbb{Z}_9 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 8\} \pmod{9}$ . We take a cyclic subgroup

$$H = \langle 3 \rangle = \{0, 3, 6\}$$

which came from  $(G, \oplus)$ . All **left cosets** of G with respect to H are  $\{H, 1 \oplus H, 2 \oplus H\}$  where

$$0 \oplus H = \{0+0,0+3,0+6\} \pmod{9} = \{0,3,6\} = H$$

$$1H = 1 \oplus H = \{1+0,1+3,1+6\} \pmod{9} = \{1,4,7\}$$

$$2H = 2 \oplus H = \{2+0,2+3,2+6\} \pmod{9} = \{2,5,8\}$$

$$3H = 3 \oplus H = \{3+0,3+3,3+6\} \pmod{9} = \{3,6,0\} = H$$

As for the right cosets of G with respect to H are  $\{H, H \oplus 1, H \oplus 2\}$ . Pay attention that now the element of coset are being added to right-hand side instead of from left side.

$$0 \oplus H = \{0+0,0+3,0+6\} \pmod{9} = \{0,3,6\} = H$$

$$H1 = H \oplus 1 = \{0+1,3+1,6+1\} \pmod{9} = \{1,4,7\}$$

$$H2 = H \oplus 2 = \{0+2,3+2,6+2\} \pmod{9} = \{2,5,8\}$$

$$H3 = H \oplus 3 = \{0+3,3+3,6+3\} \pmod{9} = \{3,6,0\} = H$$

# 1.6 Normal subgroups, Quotient groups

## 1.6.1 Normal subgroups

## Definition 1.6 Normal subgroups

A subgroup H of  $(G,\cdot)$  is called a normal subgroup if for all  $g\in G$  we have

$$gH = Hg. (1.7)$$

We shall denote that H is a subgroup of G by H < G, and that H is a normal subgroup of G by  $H \lhd G$ .

If H is a normal subgroup of G, and the order of H is equal to the order of G, we called H the proper normal subgroup, write as  $H \subseteq G$ .

You should be very careful here. The equality gH = Hg is a set equality. They are not constants or numbers! It says that a right coset is equal to left a coset, it is not an equality elementwise.

**Example 1.6.1.** Let  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  denote the group of all polynomial with real coefficients under normal addition.

For any f in  $\mathbb{R}[x]$ , let f' denote the derivative of f. Then the mapping  $f \to f'$  is a homomorphism from  $\mathbb{R}[x]$  to itself. The kernel of the derivative mapping is the set of all constant polynomials f(x) = c.

Now suppose we have a group (G, cdot), and H is a normal subgroup of G, just said  $H \triangleleft G$ . The set G/H is defined by

$$G/H = \{ gH \mid g \in H \}$$

## Theorem 1.6 Orbit-Stabilizer theorem

For any group action  $\phi: G \to \operatorname{Permutation}(S)$ , and for any  $s \in S$ ,

$$|\operatorname{Orb}(s)| \cdot |\operatorname{Stab}(s)| = |G|.$$
 (1.8)

## Theorem 1.7

The group of rotations of a cube is isomorphic to  $S_4$ .

# 1.7 Group homomorphisms

## Definition 1.7

A group homomorphism is a map  $f:(G, \diamond_G) \to (H, \bullet_H)$  that respects binary operations:

$$f(a) \bullet_H f(b) = f(a \diamond_G b) \quad \forall a, b \in G$$
 (1.9)

## 1.8 Tutorials

**Exercise 1.8.1** Prove whether the following group G together with operation \* is a group.

- 1. Let \* defined on  $G = \mathbb{R}$  by letting  $a * b = ab \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- 2. Let \* defined on  $G = 2\mathbb{Z}$  by letting  $a * b = a + b \quad \forall a, b \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ .
- 3. Let \* defined on  $G = \mathbb{R}^{\times}$  by letting  $a * b = \sqrt{ab} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}^{\times}$ .
- 4. Let \* defined on  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  by letting  $a * b = \max\{a, b\} \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Exercise 1.8.2** Determine whether the given set of matrices under the specified operation, matrix addition or multiplication, is a group.

- 1. All  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrices under matrix addition.
- 2. All  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrices under matrix multiplication.
- 3. All  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrices with no zero diagonal entry under under matrix multiplication.
- 4. All  $2 \times 2$  diagonal matrices with all diagonal entries either 1 or -1 under matrix multiplication.

- 5. All  $2 \times 2$  upper-triangular matrices under matrix multiplication.
- 6. All  $2 \times 2$  upper-triangular matrices under matrix addition.
- 7. All  $2 \times 2$  upper-triangular matrices with determinant 1 under matrix multiplication.
- 8. All  $2 \times 2$  upper-triangular matrices with determinant either 1 or -1 under matrix multiplication.

## Exercise 1.8.3 Prove whether

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \middle| ad - bc \neq 0, \ a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

is a group under matrix multiplication.

## Exercise 1.8.4 Prove whether

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} \middle| ad \neq 0, \ a, b, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

is a non-abelian group under matrix multiplication.

## Exercise 1.8.5 Prove whether

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \middle| a \neq 0, \ a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

is an abelian group under matrix multiplication.

**Exercise 1.8.6** Let (G, \*) be a group and suppose that

$$a * b * c = e \quad \forall a, b, c \in G.$$

Show that b \* c \* a = e.

**Exercise 1.8.7** Show that if every element of the group G is its own inverse, then G is abelian.

**Exercise 1.8.8** Show that every group with identity e and  $x \cdot x = x$  for all  $x \in G$  is abelian.

**Exercise 1.8.9** Show that if G is a finite group with identity e and with even number of elements, then there is an  $a \neq e$  in G such that a \* a = e.

**Exercise 1.8.10** Suppose G is a group such that

$$(ab)^2 = a^2 b^2 \quad \forall a, b \in G.$$

Show that G is abelian.

Exercise 1.8.11 Find the order of the following cyclic groups.

- 1. The subgroup of U(6) generated by  $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right)$ .
- 2. The subgroup of U(5) generated by  $\cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) + i\sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$ .
- 3. The subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$  generated by (1,5).

**Exercise 1.8.12** Let a and b be elements of a group G. Show that if ab has finite order n, then ba also has order n.

**Exercise 1.8.13** Show that a group with no proper nontrivial subgroup is cyclic.

**Exercise 1.8.14** Let G be a nonabelian group with center Z(G). Show that there exists an abelian subgroup H of G such that  $Z(G) \subset H$  but  $Z(G) \neq H$ .

**Exercise 1.8.15** Find all subgroups of the following groups and draw the subgroups diagram for the subgroups. Hence, list all orders of the subgroups of the given groups.

- 1. **Z**<sub>36</sub>
- 2.  $\mathbf{Z}_{60}$

## Exercise 1.8.16

- 1. Find all the proper nontrivial subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .
- 2. Find all the subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$  of order 4.

## Exercise 1.8.17

- 1. Are the groups  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$  isomorphic?
- 2. Are the groups  $\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_{10} \times \mathbb{Z}_{24}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{40}$  isomorphic?

**Exercise 1.8.18** Find the conjugacy classes of dihedral group  $D_8$ .

Exercise 1.8.19 Show that a group that has only finite number of subgroups must be a finite group.

**Exercise 1.8.20** Find all cosets of the subgroup  $4\mathbb{Z}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Exercise 1.8.21** Compute the quotient group  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}/\langle 2 \rangle$ .

**Exercise 1.8.22** Show that if H is a subgroup of index 2 in a finte group G, then every left coset of H is also a right coset of H.

**Exercise 1.8.23** Let  $\phi: G \to G$  be a mapping defined by

$$\phi(x) = x^3 \quad \forall x \in G$$

where  $G = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  is a group defined under usual multiplication. Show that  $\phi$  is a homomorphism, and hence find  $ker(\phi)$ .

**Exercise 1.8.24** Let  $\phi: G \to G$  be a mapping defined by

$$\phi(x) = 5^x \quad \forall x \in G$$

where  $G = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  is a group defined under usual multiplication. Show that  $\phi$  is a homomorphism, and hence find  $ker(\phi)$ .

**Exercise 1.8.25** Let  $\phi: G \to G$  be a mapping defined by

$$\phi(x) = 7x \quad \forall x \in G$$

where  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  is a group defined under usual addition. Show that  $\phi$  is a homomorphism, and hence find  $ker(\phi)$ .

**Exercise 1.8.26** Let G be a group and g an element in G. Consider the mapping  $\phi: G \to G$  defined as  $\phi(x) = gxg^{-1}$ . Show that  $\phi$  is an isomorphism.

**Exercise 1.8.27** Find  $ker(\phi)$  for map  $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{10} \to \mathbb{Z}_{20}$  such that  $\phi(1) = 8$ .

**Exercise 1.8.28** Find  $ker(\phi)$  for map  $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\phi(1,0) = (2,-3)$  and  $\phi(0,1) = (-1,5)$ .

**Exercise 1.8.29** Let  $\phi: G \to H$  be a group homorphism. Show that  $\phi(G)$  is abelian if and only if  $xyx^{-1}y^{-1} \in ker(\phi) \quad \forall x,y \in G.$ 

**Exercise 1.8.30** Consider A the set of affine maps of  $\mathbb{R}$ , that is

$$A = \{ f : x \mapsto ax + b, a \in \mathbb{R}^*, b \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

- 1. Show that A is a group with respect to the composition of map.
- 2. Let

$$N = \{ g : x \mapsto x + b, b \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

Show that  $N \triangleleft A$ .

3. Show that the quotient group A/N is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^*$ .

Exercise 1.8.31 Let  $G = S_4$  and let

$$H = \{e, (12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(23)\}$$

- 1. Show that H is a normal subgroup of G.
- 2. Let  $\overline{H} = \{ \sigma \in S_4 \mid \sigma(4) = 4 \}$ . Define  $\sigma : \overline{H} \to \operatorname{Aut}(H)$  by  $\sigma(\tau) = \sigma \tau \sigma^{-1}$  for  $\sigma \in \overline{H}$ . Prove that

$$\overline{H} \ltimes_{\sigma} H \cong S_4.$$

Exercise 1.8.32 Find (up to isomorphism) all abelian groups of order 45.

**Exercise 1.8.33** Show that any group of order  $p^2$  is abelian.

**Exercise 1.8.34** Let G be a group of order pq, where p and q are prime numbers. Show that every proper subgroup of G is cyclic.

**Exercise 1.8.35** If  $H, K \leq G$ , show that  $H \cap K \leq G$ .

**Exercise 1.8.36** If  $N \triangleleft G$  and  $H \leq G$ , show that  $NH \leq G$ .

**Exercise 1.8.37** If  $N_1, N_2 \triangleleft G$ , show that  $N_1 \cap N_2 \triangleleft G$ .

**Exercise 1.8.38** If  $N \triangleleft G$  and  $H \leq G$ , show that  $H \cap N \triangleleft G$ .