

The following is a compiled review for the second exam according to the study guide.

## 2 Groups

### A Definitions

**Exercise 2.72** (Normalizer  $N(S)$ ). Let  $G$  be a group and let  $S \subseteq G$  be nonempty. The normalizer of  $S$  in  $G$  is  $N(S) = N_G(S) = \{g \in G \mid gSg^{-1} = S\} \dots$

**Exercise 2.73** (Commutator). Suppose  $G$  is a group and let  $G'$  be the subgroup generated by  $\{g_1g_2g_1^{-1}g_2^{-1} \mid g_i \in G\}$ , called the commutator subgroup of  $G$ .

**Definition 2.1** (Torsion). Let  $G$  be an abelian group and let  $T$  be the set of all elements of  $G$  with finite order;  $T$  is a subgroup called the torsion subgroup.

**Definition 2.20** (Homomorphism, Isomorphism, Automorphism). Let  $G$  and  $H$  be groups and let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  be a function.

1. If  $\varphi(g_1g_2) = \varphi(g_1)\varphi(g_2)$  for all  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ , then  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.
2. A bijective (one-to-one and onto) homomorphism is called an isomorphism. In that case,  $G$  and  $H$  are said to be isomorphic and we write  $G \cong H$ .
3. If  $G = H$ , an isomorphism is also called an automorphism.

**Definition 2.22** (Conjugation Map). Let  $G$  be a group and let  $g, h \in G$ . The conjugation map  $c_g: G \rightarrow G$  is defined by  $c_g(h) = ghg^{-1}$ .

**Definition 2.24** (Image and Kernel). Let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism between groups.

1. The image of  $\varphi$  is  $\text{Im } \varphi = \{\varphi(g) \mid g \in G\}$ .
2. The kernel of  $\varphi$  is  $\ker \varphi = \{g \in G \mid \varphi(g) = e_H\}$ .

**Definition 2.27** (Cosets). Let  $G$  be a group and let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $g \in G$ .

1. The left coset of  $g$  with respect to  $H$  is  $gH = \{gh \mid h \in H\}$ .
2. If  $C$  is a left coset with respect to  $H$  and  $C = gH$ , then  $g$  is called a representative of  $C$ .
3. The set of left cosets is denoted  $G/H$  and is called the quotient of  $G$  by  $H$ .
4. The index of  $H$  in  $G$  is  $|G/H|$  and is denoted  $[G:H]$ .

**Definition 2.30** (Normality). Let  $G$  be a group, let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ , and let  $g \in G$ .

1. The right coset of  $g$  with respect to  $H$  is  $Hg = \{hg \mid h \in H\}$ .
2.  $H$  is called normal if  $gHg^{-1} \subseteq H$  for all  $g \in G$  where  $gHg^{-1} = \{ghg^{-1} \mid h \in H\}$ .

**Theorem 2.31** (Normality T.F.A.E.s). *The following are equivalent:*

1.  $H$  is normal.
2.  $gHg^{-1} = H$  for all  $g \in G$ .
3. Left cosets are right cosets; i.e.,  $gH = Hg$  for all  $g \in G$ .
4.  $gH \subseteq Hg$  for each  $g \in G$ .
5.  $Hg \subseteq gH$  for each  $g \in G$ .
6. The equation  $(g_1H)(g_2H) = (g_1g_2)H$  gives a well-defined binary operation on  $G/H$  where  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ .
7.  $ghg^{-1} \in H$  for all  $g \in G, h \in H$ .

**Definition 2.32.** Let  $G$  be a group and let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . Under the bilinear operation  $(g_1H)(g_2H) = (g_1g_2)H$  for  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ ,  $G/H$  is a group and is called the quotient group or factor group.

**Exercise 2.151.** Let  $N$  and  $H$  be groups along with a homomorphism  $\varphi: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ . For  $n \in N$  and  $h \in H$ , write  $\varphi_h(n)$  for  $(\varphi(h))(n)$ . Define the semidirect product of  $N$  and  $H$  as

$$N \rtimes H = \{(n, h) \mid n \in N, h \in H\}$$

with a group law given by

$$(n_1, h_1)(n_2, h_2) = (n_1\varphi_{h_1}(n_2), h_1h_2) \dots$$

## B Book Proofs

## C Homework Exercises

## D Homework Proofs

## E New Exercises