

Lecture 8

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Some Recaps of midterm

2. d. Let G be a group of order 4, then G must be cyclic.

FALSE, $U(8)$

3.(a). $\alpha = (123)(2346) \in S_6 \quad 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 1$
 $= (12)(346)(5) \qquad \qquad \qquad \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 2$

$$|\alpha| = 2 \times 3 \times 1 = 6 \quad (\text{lcm of the length})$$

(b). ...

(c). How many elements of S_6 have order 6?
For part (b), we see $|\alpha|=6$ iff α has cycle type $(3, 2, 1)$ or (6)

We know there are $5!$ 6-cycles. If we pick a permutation $a_3 \dots a_6$ of $\{1, \dots, 6\}$. Then (a_1, \dots, a_6) is a 6-cycle

So there are $\frac{6!}{6} = 5!$ 6-cycles

For type $(3, 2, 1)$
$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & x & x & & \\ (& & &) & \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & & \end{array}$$

$$\frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4}{3} \frac{3 \cdot 2}{2}$$

Answer = 240

4.

a. let p be a prime #. What's the order of $U(p)$?

$$|U(p)| = p - 1$$

b. Is $U(12)$ cyclic? Prove.

$$U(12) = \{1, 5, 7, 11\} = \{-5, -1, 1, 5\}$$

Let's check if $U(12)$ has a generator of order 4.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 1 : 1^4 = 1 \\ 5 : 5^2 = 25 \equiv 1 \quad |5| = 2 \\ -5 : (-5)^2 = 25 \equiv 1 \quad |-5| = 2 \\ -1 : (-1)^4 = 1 \quad |-1| = 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{No} \text{ - not cyclic.}$$

c. ...

5.b. For isomorphism, $\phi(a^i) = \phi(a^j) \Leftrightarrow a^i = a^j \Leftrightarrow n | (i-j)$

c. Let G_1 be a group of order 2. Then $G_1 = \{e, a\}$, where a denotes the unique element in G that is not identity.

Similarly, write $G_2 = \{e, b\}$.

In G , $a^2 \neq a$, so $a^2 = e$.

Similarly $b^2 = e$ in G_2 .

Let $\phi: G_1 \rightarrow G_2$

$$\phi(e) \rightarrow \phi(e)$$

$$\phi(a) \rightarrow \phi(b)$$

Clearly it's a bijection. We just need to check that it is multiplicative.

$$\phi(e \cdot a) = \phi(e) \cdot \phi(a)$$

$$\phi(a \cdot e) = \phi(a) \cdot \phi(e)$$

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$$\phi(a \cdot a) = \phi(a) \cdot \phi(a) = b^2 = e$$

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CH7 COSETS & Lagrange's Thm

Notation: Let G be a group and let $H \subseteq G$ be any subset. Let $a \in G$. we define the following sets:

$$aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\}$$

$$Ha = \{ha \mid h \in H\}$$

$aHa^{-1} = \{aha^{-1} \mid h \in H\}$ We will primarily use this notation when H is a subgroup.

Def'n: Let G be a group. Let $H \leq G$. $\forall a \in G$, call aH a left coset of H , and we call Ha a right coset of H .

In either case, we call "a" a coset representative of the coset aH (or Ha)

Notation:

$$|aH| = \# \text{ elements in } aH$$

$$|Ha| \dots Ha$$

E.g.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad G = S_3, \quad H = \{e, (13)\}$$

$$eH = \{e, (13)\}$$

$$(12)H = \{(12), \underbrace{(12)(13)}_{(132)}\} = aH = (132)H \\ = (132) \{(13), e\} \\ = \{(12), (132)\}$$

$$\textcircled{2} G = D_4, K = \{R_0, R_{180}\}, R_{90} K = \{R_{90}, R_{270}\}$$

$$V \cdot R_{180} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

E.g. $G = S_3, H = \{e, (13)\}$

$$(12)H = \{(12), (132)\}$$

$$H(12) = \{(12), \underbrace{(13)(12)}_{(123)}\}$$

Important fact: In general, $aH \neq Ha$
 (We will see that this will hold if H is normal).

E.g. Remark \rightarrow if G is an additive group. We will write $a+H$ instead of aH and $H+a$ instead of Ha .

$$G = \mathbb{Z}_{12}, H = \langle 4 \rangle = \{0, 4, 8\}$$

$$0+H=H$$

$$1+H=\{1, 5, 9\}$$

$$2+H=\{2, 6, 10\}$$

$$3+H=\{3, 7, 11\}$$

$$4+H=\{4, 8, 0\}=H$$

$$5+H=1+H$$

Properties of cosets.

Setup: G is a group, $H \leq G$, $a, b \in G$.

- ① $a \in aH$
- ② $aH = H$ iff $a \in H$
- ③ $(ab)H = a(bH)$ and $H(ab) = (Ha)b$
- ④ $aH = bH$ iff $a \in bH$
- ⑤ $aH = bH$ or $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$
- ⑥ $aH = bH$ iff $a^{-1}b \in H$
- ⑦ $[aH] = [bH] = |H|$
- ⑧ $aH = Ha$ iff $H = aHa^{-1}$
- ⑨ aH is a subgroup of G iff $a \in H$

Proof of some of statements

⑥ \Rightarrow Sps $aH = bH$. Then $\forall h \in H, \exists h' \in H$ s.t. $ah = bh'$
 Then $a^{-1}bh' = h \Rightarrow a^{-1}b = h \cdot (h')^{-1} \in H$

\Leftarrow

Sps $a^{-1}b \in H$

Then $\forall h \in H, ah = a(a^{-1}b)(a^{-1}b)^{-1}h = b\underbrace{(a^{-1}b)^{-1}h}_H \in bH$

H by assumption

So we've shown $aH \subseteq bH$. Similarly we can show $bH \subseteq aH$.

⑦ $|aH| = |H|$

Proof: Define $\varphi: H \rightarrow aH$ by $\varphi(h) = ah$.
Then it's easy to verify that φ is a bijection. (Exercise).

⑧ Proof: \Leftarrow If $a \in H$ then $aH = H$, which is a subgroup.
 \Rightarrow Sps aH is a subgroup, then $e \in aH$.
So $\exists h \in H$, s.t. $e = ah \Rightarrow a = h^{-1} \in H$.

Lagrange's Thm. $|H|$ divides $|G|$

Sps G is a finite group and sps $H \leq G$.

Then $|H|$ divides $|G|$

Pf: Let a_1H, \dots, a_rH be the distinct cosets of H .
i.e. $G = a_1H \cup \dots \cup a_rH$ and $a_iH \cap a_jH = \emptyset$ unless $i = j$
Then $|G| = |a_1H| + \dots + |a_rH| = |H| + \dots + |H| = r|H|$

E.g. $G = S_3$

$$H = \{e, (12)\} = (12)H$$

$$(13)H = \{(13), \underbrace{(13)(12)}_{(123)}\} = (123)H$$

$$(23)H = \{(23), \underbrace{(23)(12)}_{(132)}\} = (132)H$$

$$a_1 = e, a_2 = (13), a_3 = (23)$$

$$a_1 = (12), a_2 = (13), a_3 = (132)$$

Remark: We say that $|G| = |H| \cdot r$ where $r = \#$ of left cosets of H in G .

Def'n: The index of H in G , denoted $|G:H| = |G|/|H|$

Exercise: The # of right cosets of H in G is also equal to $|G:H|$.

Corollary: let G be a finite group, and let $a \in G$, then $|a|$ divides $|G|$.

Proof: $|a| = |\langle a \rangle|$. By Lagrange's thm. $|\langle a \rangle|$ divides $|G|$ \blacksquare

Cor: If G is a finite group and $a \in G$. Then $a^{|G|} = e$

Pf: By previous cor. $|G| = |a|^k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $k > 0$.
So $a^{|G|} = (a^{|G|})^k = e^k = e$

Cor. (Fermat's Little Thm)

$\forall a \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall \text{prime } p, a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$

Pf: If $a \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, LHS = $0^p = 0$, RHS = 0. True.

If $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p}$, then $a \in U(p)$, but $|U(p)| = p-1$.

So by the previous Cor. $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

Multiply by a on both sides, we have $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$. □

Remark : the converse of Lagrange's thm is not true.
If $k \mid |G|$, there does not exist a subgroup $H \leq G$ s.t. $|H|=k$

Counterexample: $G = A_4$, $|A_4| = 4! / 2 = 12$.

Then we see $6 \mid |A_4|$. But there does not exist any subgroup of A_4 of order 6.

Thm: $H, K \leq G$, G is a finite group.

Define $HK = \{hk \mid h \in H, k \in K\}$ (In general, this is just some subsets of G .)

Then $|HK| = \frac{|H||K|}{|H \cap K|}$

Pf: Define a map $\phi: H \times K \rightarrow HK$ $\phi(h, k) = hk$

Recall

$$H \times K = \{(h, k) \mid h \in H, k \in K\}$$

Then clearly ϕ is surjective.

Define for $x \in HK$, $\phi^{-1}(x) = \{(h, k) \mid \phi(h, k) = x \text{ i.e. } hk = x\}$

Claim: $|\phi^{-1}(x)| = |\phi^{-1}(e)|$

Proof: Write $x = hk$ for some fixed $h \in H, k \in K$.

Then define

$$\chi: \phi^{-1}(x) \rightarrow \phi^{-1}(e)$$

$$\chi(h, k) = (h^{-1}h, k^{-1}k)$$

To check χ is well-defined, suppose $(h, k) \in \phi^{-1}(x)$. i.e. $hk = x$

We know $hk = x$.

$$\text{So } hk = hk \Rightarrow h^{-1}h \underset{?}{=} k^{-1}k = e$$

$$\text{So } (h^{-1}h, k^{-1}k) \in \phi^{-1}(e).$$

Ex: Prove χ is a bijection.

$$\begin{aligned} |HK| &= \sum_{x \in HK} 1 = \sum_{(h, k) \in H \times K} \frac{1}{|\phi^{-1}(hk)|} = \sum_{(h, k) \in H \times K} \frac{1}{|\phi^{-1}(e)|} \\ &= \frac{|H \times K|}{|\phi^{-1}(e)|} = \frac{|H||K|}{|\phi^{-1}(e)|} \end{aligned}$$

Claim: $|\phi^{-1}(e)| = |H \cap K|$

Pf: $\tau : \phi^{-1}(e) \rightarrow H \cap K$

$$\tau(h, k) = h$$

Since $(h, k) \in \phi^{-1}(e)$ iff $hk = e$, i.e. $h = k^{-1}$.

$h = k^{-1} \in K$. So $h \in H \cap K$

Ex: τ is a bijection.

$$|HK| = \frac{|H||K|}{|H \cap K|}$$



$$|HK| = \sum_{x \in HK} 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{General fact : If } f: X \rightarrow Y \text{ is a surjection, then } |Y| &= \sum_{y \in Y} 1 = \sum_{x \in X} \frac{1}{|f^{-1}(f(x))|} \\ &= \sum_{y \in Y} \left(\sum_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \frac{1}{|f^{-1}(y)|} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Classification of Groups of order $2p$

Thm: Let p be a prime > 2 . If G is a group of order $2p$, then either G is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_{2p} , or G is iso to D_p .

Pf: If G has an element of order $2p$, then G is iso to \mathbb{Z}_{2p} .

So assume it does not have an element of order $2p$. Then by a cor. of Lagrange's thm, all non-identity elements must have order 2 or p .

We want to prove \exists at least one element of order p .

Sps aw. , i.e. $|x|=2, \forall x \in G, x \neq e$.

Then if $a, b \in G$, then $a^{-1}=a, b^{-1}=b$.

So $(ab)^{-1}=ab$

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

Thus G is abelian. So if a, b are distinct non-identity elements, then $\{e, a, b, ab\}$ is a subgroup. Contradiction.

Let $a \in G$ be some element of order p . Let $b \in G$, where $b \notin \langle a \rangle$.

Then $|\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle| = 1$ since $|\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle| < p$ but it must divide p .

So by the previous thm, $|\langle a \rangle \langle b \rangle| = |\langle a \rangle||\langle b \rangle|$

Therefore, $G = \langle a \rangle \langle b \rangle$. Thus $|\langle b \rangle| = 2$.

So all elements of G look like

$$a^k b^l \text{ where } l = 0 \text{ and } k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p-1$$

And $ab = ba^{-1}$

So define $\varphi : G \rightarrow D_p$

$$\varphi(a) = R 360^\circ / p$$

$$\varphi(a^k) = R (360^\circ / p \cdot k)$$

$$\varphi(b) = \text{some inflection}$$