

(Q1) Let $g \in G$ be an element of order m . In symbols: $g^m = e$. Now, if $d|m$, m/d is an integer. Consider $g^{m/d}$.

$(g^{m/d})^d = g^m = e$. Thus, $g^{m/d} \in G$ is of order d .

(Q2) We use the following theorem in the proof:
Every cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$.

If $|G| = p$, any non-trivial element of G has p as its order. Thus, $|\langle g \rangle| = p$ ($g \neq e$) and $\langle g \rangle \leq G$ implies $\langle g \rangle = G$. Thus, the group G is cyclic with $p-1$ generators. Thus, by the above result, we conclude G is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$.

Proof of above result:

Let G be a finite group generated by $g \in G$; $\langle g \rangle = [e, g, g^2, \dots, g^{n-1}] = G$ of order n . Define a function $\varphi: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ such that $\varphi(g) = 1$, and $\varphi(g^k) = k$ for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. First we show φ is a homomorphism.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(g_1 \odot g_2) &= \varphi(g^m \odot g^n) = \varphi(g^{m+n}) = m+n \\ &= \varphi(g^m) + \varphi(g^n).\end{aligned}$$

Next, we show φ is an bijection

1. If $\varphi(g_1) = \varphi(g_2) \Rightarrow \varphi(g^m) = \varphi(g^n) \Rightarrow m = n$
Thus, $g^m = g^n = g^m$, $g_1 = g_2$

2. Next, consider the function $\phi(m) = g^m$ for $m \in \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$. Note that,
 $\phi(\phi(m)) = \phi(g^m) = m$ and
 $\phi(\phi(g^m)) = \phi(m) = g^m$. Thus, $\phi(x)$ is the inverse of $\phi(x)$ and $\phi(x)$ is surjective.

Since ϕ is an isomorphism between G and $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$, $G \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$.

(Q3)

- First we show that the group $G_1 \times G_2$ is closed under multiplication.

Let $h_1, g_1 \in G_1$ and $h_2, g_2 \in G_2$:
 ~~$(h_1, g_2) * (g_2, (h_1, h_2)) * (g_1, g_2) = (h_1 * g_1, h_2 * g_2)$~~
 $(h_1, h_2) * (g_1, g_2) = (h_1 * g_1, h_2 * g_2)$

Since G_1 is a group, by axiom (A0), $(h_1 * g_1) \in G_1$, and since G_2 is a group, $(h_2 * g_2) \in G_2$.
 Thus, $(h_1 * g_1, h_2 * g_2) \in G_1 \times G_2$.

- Next, we show that the group $G_1 \times G_2$ is closed under inverses.

Let $h \in G_1$ and $g \in G_2$, $(h, g)^{-1} = (h^{-1}, g^{-1})$
 $(h, g) \cdot (h^{-1}, g^{-1}) = (h * h^{-1}, g * g^{-1}) = (e_1, e_2)$

Since G_1 is a group by axiom (A2) $h^{-1} \in G_1$, and G_2 is a group $\Rightarrow g^{-1} \in G_2$. Thus,
 $(h^{-1}, g^{-1}) \in G_1 \times G_2$.

Q.E.D.

(Q4)

- $(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \langle 1 \rangle$

- $(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \langle 2 \rangle$

$$2 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$2 \times 2 \equiv 4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

- $(\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \langle 2 \rangle$

$$2 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$$

$$2^2 \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$2^3 \equiv 8 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$2^4 \equiv 16 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$$

- $(\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \langle 5 \rangle$

$$5 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^2 \equiv 25 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^3 \equiv 125 \equiv 6 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^4 \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^5 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^6 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

- $(\mathbb{Z}/11\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \langle 7 \rangle$

(Similar computation as above).

(Q13)

Consider the set: $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times = [a \in \mathbb{Z}^+ : (a, n) = 1]$

Note that $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ forms a group, since inverses exist (all other properties are almost trivial to verify). Here's how:

$a \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times \Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) = 1$, by Bezout's lemma, there exist integers x_1 and x_2 st:

$ax_1 + nx_2 = 1$. Re-arranging, we have:

$$nx_2 = 1 - ax_1$$

$$n \mid (1 - ax_1) \Rightarrow 1 \equiv ax_1 \pmod{n}. \text{ Thus,}$$

x_1 is the inverse of a .

Now, note that $|(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times| = \phi(n)$ (by def).

by Lagrange's theorem, the order of any a in $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ divides $\phi(n)$. In other words,

$$a^d \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

where d is such that $d | \phi(n)$, or
 $\exists m \in \mathbb{Z} : \phi(n) = md$. Thus,

$$(a^d)^m \equiv 1^m \pmod{n}$$

$$a^{dm} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

This proves that, if $a < n$ and $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$. If $a > n$, then one can find $b \in (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ st $b \equiv a \pmod{n}$.

(Q11) For this problem, we assume Bezout's lemma, that if a and b are integers, and $d = \gcd(a, b)$ then there exist integers x_1 and x_2 such that:
 $ax_1 + bx_2 = d = \gcd(a, b)$.

We give a proof by induction, and induct on k .

1. Base case, $k = 2$ (Bezout's Lemma)

2. Inductive Hypothesis, we assume for any $A \in \mathbb{Z}$, we can find integers, x_1, \dots, x_n st
 $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n = \gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n) = d$

3. Inductive step: Let $\gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n) = d$. Then,
 $\gcd(a_1, \dots, a_n, a_{n+1}) \ (a_{n+1} \in \mathbb{Z}), = \gcd(d, a_{n+1})$.

Thus, by bezout's, there exist $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{Z}$ st

$$dy_1 + a_{n+1}y_2 = \gcd(d, a_{n+1}) = \gcd(a_1, \dots, a_{n+1})$$

By, the IH,

$$(a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n) y_1 + a_{n+1} y_2$$

$$= (a_1)(x_1 y_1) + \dots + (a_n)(x_n y_1) + (a_{n+1})(y_2) = \gcd(a_1, \dots, a_{n+1}).$$

Thus, the theorem is true for the $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$ case which completes the proof.

(Q10) Let $m = p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} \dots p_n^{r_n}$ (for distinct primes)

- Define $x_i = (m \text{ but with the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ prime totally removed from its PF})$

$$x_i = p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} \dots p_{i-1}^{r_{i-1}} p_{i+1}^{r_{i+1}} \dots p_n^{r_n}.$$

- Now note that $\gcd(x_i, x_j)$ (WLOG, $i < j$) is $p_1^{r_1} \dots p_{i-1}^{r_{i-1}} p_{i+1}^{r_{i+1}} \dots p_{j-1}^{r_{j-1}} p_{j+1}^{r_{j+1}} \dots p_n^{r_n}.$

- Thus, $\gcd(x_1, x_2) = p_3^{r_3} \dots p_n^{r_n}$ (the divisor of x_i is of the form $p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_{i-1}^{\alpha_{i-1}} p_{i+1}^{\alpha_{i+1}} \dots p_n^{\alpha_n}$ where $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq r_i$). And,

$$\gcd(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \gcd(\gcd(x_1, x_2), x_3)$$

$$= \gcd(p_3^{r_3} \dots p_n^{r_n}, p_1^{r_1} p_2^{r_2} p_4^{r_4} \dots p_n^{r_n})$$

$$= p_4^{r_4} \dots p_n^{r_n}.$$

Thus, by induction (or simply continuing in this manner),

$$\gcd(x_1, \dots, x_k) = p_{k+1}^{r_{k+1}} p_{k+2}^{r_{k+2}} \dots p_n^{r_n}$$

when $k=n$, this becomes 1.

Chinese Remainder Theorem

(Q12) We prove a more general case:

- a. Given a group G , and normal subgroups H_1, H_2 of G , we have that there exists a injective homomorphism between $G/(H_1 \cap H_2)$ and $G/H_1 \times G/H_2$. Moreover, if $G = H_1 H_2$, then $G/(H_1 \cap H_2) \cong G/H_1 \times G/H_2$.

Proof.

- consider the function $\varphi: G/(H_1 \cap H_2) \rightarrow G/H_1 \times G/H_2$ such that $\varphi(gL) = (gH_1, gH_2)$ for all $g \in G$ (note: $L = H_1 \cap H_2$).

$$\varphi(g_1 L \odot g_2 L) = \varphi((g_1 \cdot g_2)L) = ((g_1 \cdot g_2)H_1, (g_1 \cdot g_2)H_2)$$

$$= (g_1 H_1 \odot g_2 H_1, g_1 H_2 \odot g_2 H_2)$$

$$= (g_1 H_1, g_1 H_2) \times (g_2 H_1, g_2 H_2)$$

$$= \varphi(g_1 L) \times \varphi(g_2 L) \quad [g_1, g_2 \in G]$$

Since $\varphi(g_1 L \odot g_2 L) = \varphi(g_1 L) \times \varphi(g_2 L)$, φ is a homomorphism.

- Next, we prove φ is injective:

$$\text{Assume } \varphi(g_1 L) = \varphi(g_2 L)$$

$$(g_1 H_1, g_1 H_2) = (g_2 H_1, g_2 H_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } g_1 H_i &= g_2 H_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq 2) \\ (g_2)^{-1} g_1 &\in H_i \Rightarrow (g_2)^{-1} g_1 \in L \\ &\Rightarrow g_1 L = g_2 L \end{aligned}$$

For part II, we use the counting theorem:

$$|H_1 H_2| = \frac{|H_1| \times |H_2|}{|H_1 \cap H_2|}$$

We show that $|G/L| = |G/H_1 \times G/H_2|$, and since φ is injective, we know that φ has to be surjective.

$$\begin{aligned} |G/H_1 \times G/H_2| &= |G/H_1| \times |G/H_2| \\ &= \frac{|G|}{|H_1|} \times \frac{|G|}{|H_2|} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{|G|^2}{|H_1 H_2|} = \frac{|G|^2}{|H_1 \times H_2|}$$

$$= \frac{|G|^2}{|H_1 H_2| |H_1 \cap H_2|} = \frac{|G|^2}{|G| |H_1 \cap H_2|}$$

(Note that $|G| = |H_1 H_2|$, since $G = H_1 H_2$)

$$= \frac{|G|}{|H_1 \cap H_2|} = [G : H_1 \cap H_2]$$

$$= |G/H_1 \cap H_2|$$

Q.E.D.

We can generalize the above theorem to an arbitrary number of normal subgroups H_1, \dots, H_n :

$$G/(H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_n) \cong G/H_1 \times \dots \times G/H_n.$$

We can apply this to the following setting:

- $G = (\mathbb{Z}, +)$
- $H_1 = m\mathbb{Z}$
- $H_2 = n\mathbb{Z}$

where $\gcd(m, n) = 1$.

Since $\gcd(m, n) = 1 \Rightarrow (m\mathbb{Z})(n\mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}$
(linearly independent set in \mathbb{Z}), and
thus

$$\mathbb{Z}/(mn)\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}$$

which is the base case of the
Chinese remainder theorem.