

2010P2Q9(i)

CONJUGACY CLASS: SET OF ELEMENTS OF  $G$  WHICH ARE CONJUGATE TO EACH OTHER, I.E.:

$$g_2 = g g_1 g^{-1}, g \in G \quad \checkmark$$

$g_1, g_2 \in$  OF THE SAME CONJUGACY CLASS.

proof by contradiction?

where is the contradiction?

ASSUME  $g_1, g_2 \in C_1$

$g_2, g_3 \in C_2$

$g_1 \notin C_2, g_3 \notin C_1$

$g_1, g_2 \in G;$

$C_1, C_2$  ARE CONJUGACY CLASSES

BY DEF. OF CONJ. CLASS:

$$g_2 g = g g_1 \rightarrow g_1 = g^{-1} g_2 g$$

$$g_2 g = g g_3$$

~~$$g g_1 = g g_3$$~~

if it's by # then do it suddenly use 1st contradiction.  $g_1$  &  $g_3$  NOT IN SAME CONJUGACY CLASS, so continue for #

$$\nexists g \text{ s.t. } g g_1 = g_3 g$$

This seems rather involved by doing the same in 2 lines

$$g g^{-1} g_2 g = g_3 g$$

$g_1$

$$g_2 g = g_3 g$$

THIS IS TRUE, SO:

$$\exists g \text{ s.t. } g g_1 = g_3 g \Rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow$  assumption was wrong:  $g_1$  &  $g_3$  MUST BE IN SAME CONJUGACY CLASS  $\Rightarrow$  NO OVERLAP BETWEEN DIFFERENT CONJUGACY CLASSES (IE THEY ARE DISJOINT)  $\Rightarrow$  THEY ARE UNIQUE.



2010P2 Q9(II) IF  $G$  IS ABELIAN.  $\psi$  LOG CHOOSE ELEMENT  $g_1$ .

$$g_1 g = g g_1 \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$g_1 = g g_1 g^{-1} \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_1 &\sim g_2 \\ g_1^{-1} g_1 g_2 &= g_2 \\ \therefore g_1^{-1} g_1 g_2 &= g_2 \\ \therefore g_2 &= g_2 \end{aligned}$$

$g g_1 g^{-1}$  ALWAYS GIVES  $g_1$ , NO MATTER CHOICE OF  $g$ ,  
SO  $g_1$  IS IN ITS CONJUGACY CLASS ALONE.

CENTRE  $Z$

•  $I g = g I \quad \forall g \in G \Rightarrow I$  FORMS ITS OWN CONJUGACY CLASS ✓

$$\Rightarrow [I \in Z] (*)$$

•  $p, q \in Z$ : IS  $p q$  IN  $Z$ ? better.

What are you assuming?  
is this done?!

$$\begin{aligned} p q g &= p (q g) \xrightarrow{\text{ASSOC. IN } G} p (g q) = (p g) q = (g p) q = g (p q) \xrightarrow{\text{ASSOC. IN } G} \\ &\quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \text{ASSOC. IN } G \quad \quad \text{ASSOC. IN } G \quad \quad \text{ASSOC. IN } G \quad \quad \text{ASSOC. IN } G \end{aligned}$$

$q \in Z \Rightarrow q g = g q \quad \forall g$  ✓  $p \in Z, p q = q p \quad \forall g$

$$(p q) g = g (p q)$$

$\Rightarrow p q$  IS IN ITS OWN CONJUGACY CLASS ✓

$\Rightarrow p q \in Z \Rightarrow Z$  IS CLOSED. (\*\*)

$$\Rightarrow g^{-1} \in G$$

•  $g \in G, p \in Z$

$$g p = p g$$

$$g = p g p^{-1}$$

~~$$p g = g p$$~~

$$p^{-1} g = g p^{-1} \rightarrow p^{-1} = g p^{-1} g^{-1}$$

$p^{-1}$  FORMS ITS OWN CONJUGACY CLASS

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow p^{-1} \in Z &\Rightarrow \text{if } p \in Z \Rightarrow p^{-1} \in Z \\ p &= s^{-1} r s \\ \Rightarrow p^{-1} &= (s^{-1} r s)^{-1} = s^{-1} r^{-1} s \end{aligned} \quad (***)$$



2010 P2 Q9(IV)  $(*)$ ,  $(**)$ ,  $(***)$   $\Rightarrow Z$  IS A SUBGROUP consistently...

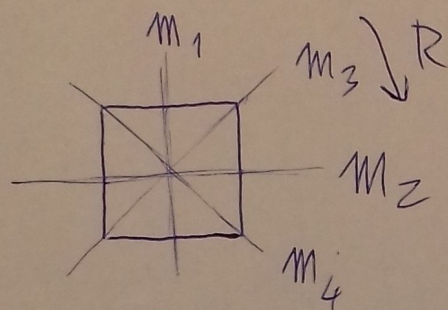
• if  $n \in Z \Rightarrow ng = gn \quad \forall g \in G$

$$Z \subseteq G$$

$$n \tau = \tau n \quad \forall n, \tau \in Z$$

$\Rightarrow Z$  IS ABELIAN SUBGROUP

• DESCRIBE THE GROUP  $D_4$



$m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4$  = REFLECTION OF THE SQUARE ON THE RESPECTIVE AXIS DRAWN ON FIGURE

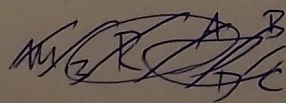
$R, R^2, R^3$ : ROTATION BY  $90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ$  DEGREES RESPECTIVELY IN THE DIRECTION DRAWN.

$I$ : LEAVE THE SQUARE AS IT IS.

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$m_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad m_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad m_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad m_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$m_3 \neq R$ , BECAUSE:



$$m_3 R \begin{matrix} AB \\ DC \end{matrix} = m_3 \begin{matrix} DA \\ CB \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} BA \\ CD \end{matrix}$$

REPRESENTS THE  $\square$

$\neq$

could use order of elements being different

OR:  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  BECAUSE:  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$



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|       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $I$   | $R$   | $R^2$ | $R^3$ | $m_1$ | $m_2$ | $m_3$ | $m_4$ |
| $R$   | $R^2$ | $R^3$ | $I$   | $m_3$ | $m_4$ | $m_2$ | $m_1$ |
| $R^2$ | $R^3$ | $I$   | $R$   | $m_2$ | $m_1$ | $m_4$ | $m_3$ |
| $R^3$ | $I$   | $R$   | $R^2$ | $m_4$ | $m_3$ | $m_1$ | $m_2$ |
| $m_1$ | $m_4$ | $m_2$ | $m_3$ | $I$   | $R^2$ | $R$   | $R^3$ |
| $m_2$ | $m_3$ | $m_1$ | $m_4$ | $R^2$ | $I$   | $R^3$ | $R$   |
| $m_3$ | $m_1$ | $m_4$ | $m_2$ | $R$   | $R^3$ | $I$   | $R^2$ |
| $m_4$ | $m_2$ | $m_3$ | $m_1$ | $R^3$ | $R$   | $R^2$ | $I$   |

$$I \in Z: gI = Ig \forall g \in D_4$$

$$m_1 R \neq R m_1 \Rightarrow R \notin Z, m_1 \notin Z$$

$$R^2 g = g R^2 \forall g \in D_4 \text{ (SEE GROUP TABLE } \rightarrow)$$

$$\Rightarrow R^2 \in Z$$

$$R^3 m_2 \neq m_2 R^3 \Rightarrow R^3 \notin Z, m_2 \notin Z$$

$$m_3 R \neq R m_3 \Rightarrow m_3 \notin Z$$

$$m_4 R \neq R m_4 \Rightarrow m_4 \notin Z$$

$$Z = \{I, R^2\} \quad \checkmark$$