

3.3.11 Show that given a group  $G$  and subgroups  $H, K$ , we can define an equivalence relation on  $G$  by saying  $y \sim x$  if  $\exists h \in H, k \in K$  such that  $y = hxk$ . What are the equivalence classes

Reflexive:  $x = \text{id} x \text{id} = hxk$ , since  $\text{id} \in H, \text{id} \in K$

Symmetric if  $y \sim x$ , then  $y = hxk$ , so  
 $x = h^{-1} y k^{-1}$ , so  $x \sim y$   
since  $h^{-1} \in H, k^{-1} \in K$

Transitive Assume  $x \sim y, y \sim z$

so  $x = hyk, y = h'z'k'$

then  $x = \underbrace{hh'}_z \underbrace{zk'}_{k''}$  so  $x \sim z$   
 $\in H \quad \in K$

The equivalence classes are the double cosets  $H \backslash G / K$

3.6.3 Assume  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ . Define  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \oplus \mathbb{Z}_n$

$$\text{by } f(x) = (x + m\mathbb{Z}, x + n\mathbb{Z})$$

and show that  $f(x+y) = f(x) + f(y)$ . Then

show that  $\mathbb{Z}_m \oplus \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_{mn}$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+y) &= (x+y+m\mathbb{Z}, x+y+n\mathbb{Z}) = (x+m\mathbb{Z}, x+n\mathbb{Z}) + (y+m\mathbb{Z}, y+n\mathbb{Z}) \\ &= f(x) + f(y) \end{aligned}$$

So  $f$  is a surjective group homomorphism.

We compute  $\ker f$

$x \in \ker f$  iff  $m|x$  and  $n|x$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{lcm}(m, n) | x$$

$$\Leftrightarrow mn | x \quad \text{since } \gcd(m, n) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker f = mn\mathbb{Z}$$

By the 1<sup>st</sup> isomorphism theorem

$$\text{im}(f) \cong \mathbb{Z} / \ker f \quad \text{i.e. } \mathbb{Z}_m \oplus \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z} / mn\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_{mn}$$

3.6.5 4 pairwise non-isomorphic groups of order 8

Group	Distinguishing property
$\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	All non-identity elements have order 2, Abelian
$\mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$	Abelian, contains elements of order 4, but no element of order 8
$\mathbb{Z}_8$	Abelian, contains an element of order 8
$D_4$	Non-Abelian

The final group of order 8 is the quaternion group

3.66 Are the following statements true or false?

a) If  $G$  and  $H$  are groups, then  $G \oplus H \cong H \oplus G$ .

True:  $(g, h) \mapsto (h, g)$  is an isomorphism

The order of

b)  $(3, 2)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$  is 4

True  $4(3, 2) = (12, 8) = (0, 0)$

no lower multiple is zero

c)  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_5$  has exactly six subgroups of order 5

True Any subgroup is cyclic generated by say  $(a, b)$

$(a, b)$  and  $(a', b')$  generate the same subgroup

$(a', b') \in \langle (a, b) \rangle$  and  $(a', b') \neq 0$

so each subgroup has 4 generators.

the identity

So the statement is true since  $6 \cdot 4 + 1 = 25$

number of  
subgroups

↑  
generators  
in each  
subgroup

||  
 $\mathbb{Z}_5 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_5$

3.6.6 The group  $\left( \begin{smallmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{smallmatrix} \right)$   $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$  under matrix multiplication is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n \oplus \mathbb{Z}_n$  for any  $n \geq 2$

True      Since  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & c & d \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a+c & b+d \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

The function  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto (a, b)$

is a group isomorphism

3.6.7. Is  $|ab| = |a||b|$  for  $a, b$  in any finite group  $G$

No. Pick  $b = a^{-1}$  for any non-identity  $a$   
in any  $G$

3.6.15 a)

Suppose  $a, b \in G$ ,  $G$  abelian and  $|a|, |b| < \infty$   
with  $\gcd(|a|, |b|) = 1$ .

Show that  $|ab| = |a||b|$

Step ① Let  $|a| = k$ ,  $|b| = l$

If  $n = xk = yl$  is a common multiple of  $|a|$  and  $|b|$

then  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n = e^x e^y = e$ . ~~So~~

~~Therefore~~

Therefore  $(ab)^{\text{lcm}(k, l)} = e$ , so  $|ab| \mid \text{lcm}(k, l)$

since  $|a|$  and  $|b|$  are coprime we get  $|ab| \mid |a||b|$

Step ② Let  $n$  be the order of  $ab$

Then  $e = e^k = (ab)^{nk} = a^{nk} b^{nk} = b^{nk}$  since  $a^k = e$

So ~~the~~ the order of  $b$  divides  $nk$  i.e.

$l \mid nk$ . Since  $l$  and  $k$  are coprime  $l \mid n$

Similarly  $e = e^l = (ab)^{kl} = a^{nl} b^{nl} = a^{nl}$

So  $k|nl$  which implies  $k|n$  since  $k, l$  are coprime.

So  $k|n$  and  $l|n$

$\Rightarrow kl|n$  since  $k, l$  are coprime

So since  $(ab)^k | (a^l b^l)^k$  and  $(a^l b^l)^k | (ab)^k$ ,

we ~~must~~ must have  $(ab)^k = (a^l b^l)^k$



3.6.15 b)

Is it true under these hypotheses that  
 $\langle a, b \rangle \cong \langle a \rangle \times \langle b \rangle$ ?

Yes. We prove that

$$\langle a \rangle \oplus \langle b \rangle \mapsto \langle a, b \rangle$$

$$a^i, b^j \mapsto a^i b^j$$

is an isomorphism. It is clearly surjective, so we must prove that it is injective.

Assume  $a^i b^j = 0$  (in  $G$ ). We can assume  
 $0 \leq i < |a|$ ,  $0 \leq j < |b|$

If  $i$  or  $j = 0$ , then both are 0, so assume  $1 \leq i, j$

$$\text{So } a a^{i-1} b^j = 0 \Rightarrow a^{-1} = a^{i-1} b^j$$

$$\text{Since } |a^{-1}| = |a|, |a| = |a^{i-1} b^j| = |a^{i-1}| |b^j|$$

since  $\gcd(|a|, |b|) = 1$ , the only possibility is

that  $|b^j| = 1$ , i.e.  $b^j = \text{id}$

Then we must also have  $a^i = \text{id}$

3.7.1 Show that  $G$  acts on  $\{f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\}$

by  $(L_g f) = f(g^{-1}x)$ , find the analogous right action

$$L_g(L_h f) = f(h^{-1}g^{-1}x) = L_{gh} f$$

$$L_e f = f(x)$$

The right action is

$$f R_g = f(gx)$$

$$\text{since } f R_g R_h = f(ghx) = f R_{gh}$$

3.7.9 Find the orbit of

$$P(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 x_3 - x_2 x_4$$

under  $S_4$ , what is the order of  $\text{Stab}(P)$

$$\text{Orb}(P) = \{ P(x_{\sigma(1)}, x_{\sigma(2)}, x_{\sigma(3)}, x_{\sigma(4)}) \mid \sigma \in S_4 \}$$

$$= \{ x_{\sigma(1)} x_{\sigma(3)} - x_{\sigma(2)} x_{\sigma(4)} \mid \sigma \in S_4 \}$$

$$= \{ x_1 x_3 - x_2 x_4, x_1 x_4 - x_2 x_3,$$

$$x_2 x_4 - x_1 x_3, x_2 x_3 - x_1 x_4,$$

$$x_3 x_4 - x_1 x_2, x_1 x_2 - x_3 x_4 \}$$

6 elements

$$\text{Since } |\text{Orb}(P)| = \frac{|G|}{|\text{Stab}(P)|}$$

$$|\text{Stab}(P)| = 4$$

$$\text{Specifically } \text{Stab}(P) = \{ (13), (24), (13)(24), \text{id} \}$$

3.7.11. Find the order of the group of motions of the tetrahedron by computing  $|\text{Orb}(f)|$  and  $|\text{Stab}(f)|$  for any face  $f$ .

$|\text{Orb}(f)| = 4$ , since any face can be moved to any other

$|\text{Stab}(f)| = |S_3| = 6$  since any symmetry of  $f$  is achievable by a motion (including reflections)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } |G| &= |\text{Orb}(f)| |\text{Stab}(f)| \\ &= 24 \end{aligned}$$