

Quiz

$$1) (1,2,3)(4,5)(6,7) = \underbrace{(1,3)(1,2)}_{(1,2,3)}(4,5)(6,7) \in 4 \text{ transpositions}$$

\Rightarrow is an even permutation.

$$2) A_5 \leq S_5 \quad |A_5| = \frac{|S_5|}{2} = \frac{5!}{2} = 60$$

$$\{0, 4\}$$

3) Index of subgroup $\langle 4 \rangle \leq \mathbb{Z}_8$. When $|G| < \infty$.

The index of H in G
 $[G : H] := \#$ of left cosets of H in G .

$= \frac{|G|}{|H|} \Rightarrow \frac{|\mathbb{Z}_8|}{|\langle 4 \rangle|} = \frac{8}{2} = 4$

by Lagrange's Thm.

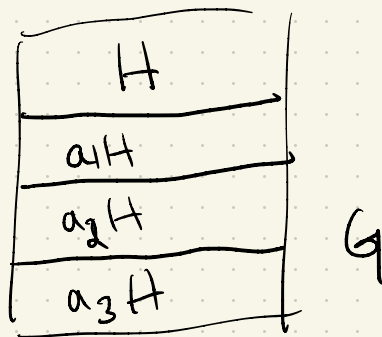
The cosets of $\langle 4 \rangle$ in \mathbb{Z}_8 are:

$$\langle 4 \rangle = \underline{\{0, 4\}}, 1 + \langle 4 \rangle = \underline{\{1, 5\}}, 2 + \langle 4 \rangle = \underline{\{2, 6\}}, 3 + \langle 4 \rangle = \underline{\{3, 7\}}$$

\Rightarrow There are 4 cosets.

$$\mathbb{Z}_8 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$$

Lagrange's Thm :



Notice

$$\langle 4 \rangle = \underline{\{0, 4\}} = 4 + \langle 4 \rangle = \{4, 0\}$$

4) Select which ones are true

• Cosets of $H \leq G$ all have same size True!
Proved $\lambda_g : H \rightarrow aH$ is a bijection

• The right and left cosets aH and Ha of a group H are always equal. FALSE! Example $\langle (1,2) \rangle \leq S_3$

• The coset aH is a subgroup. FALSE!
 aH may not contain the identity. The only coset which is a subgroup is H .

Notice that $H = aH \iff a^{-1} \in H$. Exercise \longleftrightarrow

◦ The order of a subgroup must divide the order of the group TRUE Lagrange's Thm.

Sets versus Cosets versus Subgroups.

A subgroup H of G is a subset which is

- 1) closed under multiplication in G .
- 2) contains $e \in G$ identity
- 3) $\forall a \in H$ we must have $a^{-1} \in H$.

A left coset of H in G is a subset of the form $aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\}$ for some $a \in G$.

A right coset of H in G is a subset of the form $Ha = \{ha \mid h \in H\}$ for some $a \in G$.

Notice that:

$$\{\text{subgroups of } G\} \not\cong \{\text{cosets of } G\} \neq \{\text{subsets of } G\}.$$

- A subgroup H of a group G is a subset of G and also a right and left coset of H in G .
- A left coset aH of H in G is not a subgroup unless $aH = H$. It is always a subset.
- An arbitrary subset $A \subseteq G$ is not necessarily a subgroup nor a coset.

Alternating group $A_n \leq S_n$.

1) What is the index of A_n in S_n ?

$$[S_n : A_n] := \begin{array}{l} \# \\ \text{of } A_n \text{ in } S_n \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \text{left} \\ \text{cosets} \end{array} = \frac{|S_n|}{|A_n|} = \frac{n!}{n!/2} = 2.$$

2) What are the left and right cosets of A_n in S_n ? $S_n = A_n \cup B_n$

left cosets:

$A_n = \{ \text{even permutations} \}$

$\tau A_n = \{ \text{odd permutations} \} = B_n$
 τ transposition

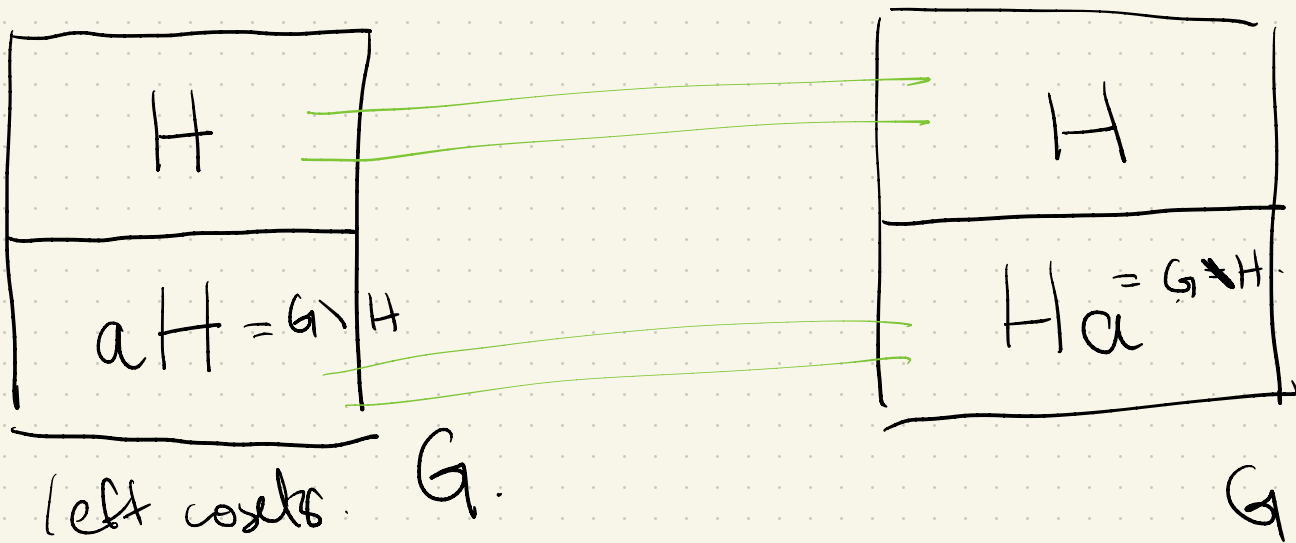
right cosets:

$A_n = \{ \text{even perms} \}$

$A_n \tau = \{ \text{odd perms} \} = B_n$

3) What can one say about left and right cosets of $H \leq G$ when $[G : H] = 2$?

If Index of H in $G = 2$. The right +
left cosets are equal.



$$aH = G \setminus H = Ha.$$

Prop If $H \leq G$ has $[G:H] = 2$

Then $aH = Ha \quad \forall a \in G$.

Prop If G is abelian and $H \leq G$ then

$aH = Ha \quad \forall a \in G$.

Foreshadowing Section 14, "Normal subgroups"

Ex. 10.7 - $H = \langle \mu_1 \rangle \leq S_3$ $\mu_1 = (2, 3)$ see Exa 8.7

left cosets

$$H = \{\rho_0, \mu_1\},$$

$$\rho_1 H = \{\rho_1 \rho_0, \rho_1 \mu_1\} = \{\rho_1, \mu_3\},$$

$$\rho_2 H = \{\rho_2 \rho_0, \rho_2 \mu_1\} = \{\rho_2, \mu_2\}.$$

cosets is

right cosets

$$H = \{\rho_0, \mu_1\},$$

$$H\rho_1 = \{\rho_0\rho_1, \mu_1\rho_1\} = \{\rho_1, \mu_2\},$$

$$H\rho_2 = \{\rho_0\rho_2, \mu_1\rho_2\} = \{\rho_2, \mu_3\}.$$

10.9 Table

	ρ_0	μ_1	ρ_1	μ_3	ρ_2	μ_2
ρ_0	ρ_0	μ_1	ρ_1	μ_3	ρ_2	μ_2
μ_1	μ_1	ρ_0	μ_2	ρ_2	μ_3	ρ_1
ρ_1	ρ_1	μ_3	ρ_2	μ_2	ρ_0	μ_1
μ_3	μ_3	ρ_1	μ_1	ρ_0	μ_2	ρ_2
ρ_2	ρ_2	μ_2	ρ_0	μ_1	ρ_1	μ_3
μ_2	μ_2	ρ_2	μ_3	ρ_1	μ_1	ρ_0

left cosets
in
multiplication
table

Def (freshadwing)

A subgroup $H \leq G$ is normal in G if $\forall a \in G$ $aH = Ha$.

Lagrange's Thm If $H \leq G$, then $|H|$

divides $|G|$.

We actually show:

$$\text{If } H \leq G \text{ then } |G| = [G:H]|H|$$

1) What would the converse statement to Lagrange's theorem be?

"If m divides $|G|$, then \exists a subgroup of order m ."

NOT TRUE IN GENERAL.

2) Find examples where it holds or doesn't

Foreshadowing: Cayley's Thm +
Sylow's Thms