

Group theory

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Chapter one

Binary Operations

Definition 1.1

Let A be a non empty set. A binary operation on a set A is a function from $A \times A$ into A . (i.e.)

$*: A \times A \rightarrow A$ is a binary operation iff

1. $a * b \in A, \forall a, b \in A$ (Closure)
2. If $a, b, c, d \in A$ such that $a = c$ and $b = d$, then $a * b = c * d$ (well-defined).

Example 1.2

- 1) The operations $\{+, -, \times\}$ are binary operations on R, Z, Q, C .

But " $-$ " is not binary operation on N .

- 2) The operations $\{+, -\}$ are not binary operations on O (odd number).
- 3) The operation \div is a binary operation on $R \setminus \{0\}, Q \setminus \{0\}, C \setminus \{0\}$.

Example 1.3

Let $a * b = a + b + 2, \forall a, b \in Z^+$. Is $*$ a binary operation on Z^+ ?

Solution:

- 1) Closure: let $a, b \in Z^+$, then $a * b = \overbrace{a + b}^{\in Z^+} + 2 \in Z^+$.
- 2) well-defined: $a, b, c, d \in A$ such that $a = c$ and $b = d$, then $a * b = a + b + 2 = c + d + 2 = c * d$
 $\Rightarrow *$ is a binary operation on Z^+ .

Example 1.4

Let $a * b = a^b, a, b \in Z$. Show that $*$ is a binary operation on Z .

Solution:

- 1) Closure: if $a = 3$ and $b = -1$. Then $a * b = 3^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \notin Z \Rightarrow *$ is not a binary operation on Z .

Remark 1.5: Some time we used the symbols *, \circ , #, \odot , ... to denote abinary operation.

Exercises: which of the following are binary operations?

- 1) $a * b = a + b, \forall a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$.
- 2) $a \odot b = \frac{a}{b}, \forall a, b \in Z$.
- 3) $a \# b = a + b - 3, \forall a, b \in N$.
- 4) $a \circ b = a + 2b - 5, \forall a, b \in R$.
- 5) $\frac{a}{b} \cdot \frac{c}{d} = \frac{ac}{bd}, \forall \frac{a}{b}, \frac{c}{d} \in Q \setminus \{0\}$.

Definition 1.6 (Commutative)

A binary operation $*$ on a set A is called a Commutative if and only if $a * b = b * a \forall a, b \in A$.

Definition 1.7 (Associative)

A binary operation $*$ on a set A is called an associative if $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) \forall a, b, c \in A$.

Example 1.8 Let R be a set of real numbers and $*$ be a binary operation on R defined as $a * b = a + b - ab$, then $*$ is commutative and associative.

Solution:

$$(i) \quad a * b = a + b - ab = b + a - ba = b * a$$

Which implies that $*$ is commutative.

$$(ii) \quad \text{Let } a, b, c \in R, \text{ then}$$

$$(a * b) * c = (a + b - ab) * c = (a + b - ab) + c - (a + b - ab)c$$

$$= a + b + c - ab - ac - bc + abc \dots (1)$$

$$a * (b * c) = a * (b + c - bc)$$

$$= a + (b + c - bc) - a(b + c - bc)$$

$$= a + b + c - bc - ab - ac + abc \dots (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1)=(2)$$

$\Rightarrow *$ is associative.

Exercises: which of the following binary operations is a comm., asso.?

- (i) $a * b = a - b, \forall a, b \in Z.$
- (ii) $a \odot b = 2ab, \forall a, b \in E.$
- (iii) $a \# b = a^3 + b^3 \forall a, b \in R.$

Definition 1.9 (Mathematical System)

A Mathematical System or (Mathematical Structure) is a non-empty set of elements with one or more binary operations defined on this set.

Example 1.10

$(R, +), (R, \cdot), (R, -), (R \setminus \{0\}, \div), (R, +, \cdot), (N, +), (E, +, \times)$ are Math. System.

But $(N, -), (R, \div), (0, +, -)$ are not Math. System.

Definition 1.11 (Semi group)

A semi group is a pair $(S, *)$ in which S is an empty set and $*$ is a binary operation on S with associative law.

(i.e.) $(S, *)$ is semi group \Leftrightarrow (1) $S \neq \emptyset$,

(2) $*$ is a binary operation,

(3) $\forall a, b, c \in S, (a * b) * c = a * (b * c).$

Example 1.12

(1) $(Z, +), (Z, \times), (N, +), (N, \times), (E, +), (E, \times)$ are semi groups.

(2) $(0, +), (Z, -), (E, -), (R \setminus \{0\}, \div)$ are not semi groups.

Definition 1.13 (The identity element)

Let $(S, *)$ be a Mathematical System and $e \in S$. Then e is called an identity element if $a * e = e * a = a, \forall a \in S.$

Definition 1.14 (The inverse element)

Let $(S, *)$ be a Mathematical System and $a, b \in S$. Then b is called an inverse of a if $a * b = b * a = e$.

Definition 1.15 (The Group)

The pair $(G, *)$ is a group iff $(G, *)$ is a semi group with identity in which each element of G has an inverse.

Definition 1.16 (The Group)

A group $(G, *)$ is a non-empty set G and a binary operation $*$, such that the following axioms are satisfied:

(1) The binary operation $*$ is associative.

$$(i.e.) (a * b) * c = a * (b * c), \forall a, b, c \in G$$

(2) There is an element e in G such that $a * e = e * a = a, \forall a \in G$.

This element e is an identity element for $*$ on G .

(3) for each a in G , there is an element b in G such that $a * b = b * a = e$.

The element b is an inverse of a and denoted by a^{-1} .

Remark 1.17

Every group is a semi group but the converse is not true as in the following example shows.

$(N, +)$ is a semigroup but not group because $\nexists a^{-1} \in N, \forall a \in N$.

Definition 1.18 (Commutative group)

A group $(G, *)$ is called a Commutative group iff $a * b = b * a, \forall a, b \in G$.

Example 1.19

- i. $(Z, +), (E, +), (Q, +), (N, \times), (C, +)$ are commutative groups .

- ii. $(Z^+, +)$ is not a group because there is no identity element for $+$ in Z^+ .
- iii. (Z^+, \times) is not a group because there is an identity element 1 but no inverse of 5.
- iv. $(G = \{1, 0, -1, 2\}, +)$ is not group since $+$ is not a binary operation on G , $1+2=3 \notin G$.
- v. $(G = \{1, -1\}, \times)$ is comm. Group.
- vi. $(R \setminus \{0\}, \times), (Q \setminus \{0\}, \times), (C \setminus \{0\}, \times)$ are comm. Groups.

Example 1.20

Let $G = \{a, b, c, d\}$ be a set. Define a binary operation $*$ on G by the following table.

$*$	a	b	c	d
a	a	b	c	d
b	b	c	d	a
c	c	d	a	b
d	d	a	b	c

Is $(G, *)$ a commutative group?

Solution:

(1) Closure is true.

(2) Asso.

$$(a * b) * c = a * (b * c) ?$$

$$a * d = b * c$$

$$d = d$$

$$b * (a * c) = b * c = d = (b * a) * c$$

$$c * (a * b) = c * b = d = (c * a) * b$$

$$d * (a * c) = d * c = b = (d * a) * c \dots \rightarrow$$

$\Rightarrow *$ is asso.

(3) The identity: To prove $\exists e \in G$ s.t. $a * e = e * a = a, \forall a \in G$.

$$a * a = a, b * a = b, c * a = c, d * a = d.$$

$\Rightarrow e = a$ is an identity element of G .

(4) The inverse:

$$a * a = a \Rightarrow a^{-1} = a$$

$$b * d = a \Rightarrow b^{-1} = d$$

$$c * c = a \Rightarrow c^{-1} = c$$

$$d * b = a \Rightarrow d^{-1} = b$$

(5) Comm.

$$a * b = b * a ?$$

$$b = b$$

$$a * c = c * a = c$$

$$a * d = d * a = d$$

$$b * c = c * b = d$$

$$b * d = d * b = a$$

$$c * d = d * c = b$$

$\Rightarrow *$ is a comm.

Therefore $(G, *)$ is a comm. Group and called Klein 4-group.

Example 1.21

Let $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ be a set and $"."$ be abinary operation.

Is $(G, .)$ a group ?

Solution:

.	1	-1	i	$-i$
1	1	-1	i	$-i$
-1	-1	1	$-i$	i
i	i	$-i$	-1	1
$-i$	$-i$	i	1	-1

- 1- Closure is true.
- 2- Asso. Law is true
- 3- 1 is an identity element.
- 4- $1^{-1} = 1$, $-1^{-1} = -1$, $i^{-1} = -i$, $-i^{-1} = i$
- 5- Comm .is true
 $\therefore (G, \cdot)$ is a comm.group.

Example 1.22

Let $G = \mathbb{Z}$, $a * b = a + b + 2$, show that $(G, *)$ is a comm . group.

Solution:

- 1- Closure : let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$, Then
 $a * b = a + b + 2 \in \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow$ Closure is true
- 2- asso. Low : Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} a * (b * c) &= a * (b + c + 2) = a + (b + c + 2) + 2 \\ &= a + b + c + 4 \dots\dots(1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a * b) * c &= (a + b + 2) * c = (a + b + 2) + c + 2 \\ &= a + b + c + 4 \dots\dots(2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (1) = (2) \Rightarrow * \text{ is asso .}$$

- 3- Identity : let $e \in \mathbb{Z} \exists a * e = e * a = a$, then

$$a * e = a + e + 2 = a \Rightarrow e = -2$$

$$e * a = e + a + 2 = a \Rightarrow e = -2$$

$\therefore -2$ is an identity element of G.

4- Inverse : let $a, b \in Z \exists a * b = b * a = e$

$$a * b = a + b + 2 = -2 \Rightarrow b = -a - 4$$

$$b * a = b + a + 2 = -2 \Rightarrow b = -a - 4$$

$$\therefore a^{-1} = -(a+4) \in Z$$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is a group.

5- Comm. To prove $a * b = b * a \forall a, b \in Z$

$$a * b = a + b + 2 = b + a + 2 = b * a$$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is a comm. Group.

Example 1.23:

Let $G = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4\}$, where $f_i \exists i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, are mappings on

$$R \setminus \{0\} \ni f_1(x) = x, f_2(x) = -x, f_3(x) = \frac{1}{x}, f_4(x) = -\frac{1}{x}.$$

Show that (G, \circ) is a group.

Solution:

\circ	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4
f_1	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4
f_2	f_2	f_1	f_4	f_3
f_3	f_3	f_4	f_1	f_2
f_4	f_4	f_3	f_2	f_1

1- Closure is true.

For example: $f_1 \circ f_2(x) = f_1(f_2(x))$

$$= f_1(-x)$$

$$= -x = f_2$$

2- Asso. is true. (H .W)

3- The identity : the identity element of G is f_1 , since

$$f_1 \circ f_1 = f_1, f_2 \circ f_1 = f_2, f_3 \circ f_1 = f_3, f_4 \circ f_1 = f_4.$$

4- The inverse:

$$f_1^{-1} = f_1, f_2^{-1} = f_2, f_3^{-1} = f_3, f_4^{-1} = f_4$$

Is (G , *) Comm . ??

Example 1.24

Let $G = R \times R = \{(a, b) : a, b \in R, a \neq 0\}$ and $*$ be defined by

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac, bc + d)$$

Prove that (G , *) is not comm . group

Solution:

1- Closure : let $(a, b), (c, d) \in G \Rightarrow a \neq 0, c \neq 0 \Rightarrow ac \neq 0$

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac, bc + d) \in G \quad ac \neq 0$$

2- Asso. : Let $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in G$, we have

$$(a, b) * [(c, d) * (e, f)] = (a, b) * (ce, de + f) = (ace, bce + de + f)$$

.....(1)

$$[(a, b) * (c, d)] * (e, f) = (ac, bc + d) * (e, f)$$

$$= (ace, (bc + d)e + f)$$

$$= (ace, bce + de + f).....(2)$$

$\therefore (1) = (2)$, then asso. is true

3-Identity: Let $(a, b), (x, y) \in G \exists$

$$(a, b) * (x, y) = (x, y) * (a, b) = (a, b)$$

$$(a, b) * (x, y) = (ax, bx + y) = (a, b)$$

$$\therefore ax = a \rightarrow x = 1$$

$$bx + y = b \rightarrow b + y = b \rightarrow y = 0$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (1, 0)$$

$$(x, y) * (a, b) = (xa, ya + b) = (a, b)$$

$$\therefore xa = a \rightarrow x = 1$$

$$ya + b = b \rightarrow ya = b - b \rightarrow ya = 0 \rightarrow y = 0$$

$$\therefore (x, y) = (1, 0)$$

∴ (1,0) is an identity element of G

4-inverse: Let $(a, b), (c, d) \in G, a \neq 0, c \neq 0$

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (c, d) * (a, b) = (1, 0)$$

$$(c, d) * (a, b) = (1, 0)$$

$$(ac, bc + d) = (1, 0) \rightarrow ac = 1 \rightarrow c = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$bc + d = 0 \rightarrow b\frac{1}{a} + d = 0 \rightarrow d = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$\therefore (c, d) = \left(\frac{1}{a}, -\frac{b}{a}\right) \text{ is an inverse of } G$$

(5) Comm : G is not comm. , since Take $(3,5), (4,6)$

$$\begin{array}{l} (3,5) * (4,6) = (12, 26) \\ (4,6) * (3,5) = (12, 23) \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{G is not comm..}$$

Example 1.25

Let $(G, *)$ be an arbitrary group .The set of the function from G in to G with the composition (F_G, o) is forms a group , where

$$F_G = \{ f_a : a \in G \} , f_a : G \rightarrow G \text{ s.t .}$$

$$f_a(x) = a * x , x \in G , \text{ prove that}$$

Proof :

(1) Closure: let $f_a, f_b \in F_G , a, b \in G$

$$\begin{aligned} (f_a \circ f_b)(x) &= f_a(f_b(x)) = f_a(b * x) \\ &= a * (b * x) \\ &= (a * b) * x , \text{ since } G \text{ is a group .} \\ &= f_{a*b}(x) \in F_G , \text{ since } a*b \in G \end{aligned}$$

(2) asso : Let $f_a, f_b, f_c \in F_G , a, b, c \in G$

$$(f_a \circ f_b) \circ f_c = f_{a*b} \circ f_c = f_{(a*b)*c}$$

Since $*$ is asso. on G

$$= f_{a*(b*c)} = f_a \circ f_{b*c} = f_a \circ (f_b \circ f_c)$$

(3) identity : f_e is an identity of F_G , since

$$f_a \circ f_e = f_{a*e} = f_{e*a} = f_e \circ f_a = f_a$$

(4) inverse : The inverse of f_a in F_G is f_a^{-1} , since

$$F_a \circ f_a^{-1} = f_{a*a^{-1}} = f_{a^{-1}*a} = f_{a^{-1}} \circ f_a = f_e$$

Also, if G is a Comm . group, then (F_G, o) is a comm. group .

(Exercises): Determine the systems $(G, *)$ described abelian (comm..) group

$$1) G = Z , a * b = a+b+3$$

$$2) G = R \times R = \{ (a, b) : a, b \in R \} \text{ s.t}$$

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (a+b, b+d + 2bd).$$

$$3) (G = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6\}, o) , \text{ where}$$

$$f_1(x) = x, f_2(x) = \frac{1}{x}, f_3(x) = 1-x, f_4(x) = \frac{x-1}{x}, f_5(x) = \frac{x}{x-1}, f_6(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}.$$

4) $G = \{ (a,b) : a, b \in R, a \neq 0, b \neq 0 \}$ s.t.

$$(a,b) * (c,d) = (ac, bd)$$

5) $(G = \{ an : n \in z \}, +)$

6) $G = Q^+, a * b = \frac{ab}{2}$

Some properties of Groups:

Theorem (1) : If G is a group with a binary operation $*$, then the left and right cancellation laws hold in G , that is:

1) $a * b = a * c$ implies $b = c$

2) $b * a = c * a$ implies $b = c$

For all $a, b, c \in G$.

Proof :

1) suppose $a * b = a * c$

$$\exists a^{-1} \in G \text{ s.t. } a^{-1} * (a * b) = a^{-1} * (a * c)$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * b = (a^{-1} * a) * c$$

$$e * b = e * c$$

$$\therefore b = c$$

2) H.W

Theorem(2): In a group $(G, *)$, there is only one element e in G such that $e * a = a * e = a, \forall a \in G$.

Proof:

Suppose that G has two identity elements e and e' that mean $\forall a \in G$.

$$a * e = e * a = a \text{ and } a * e' = e' * a = a$$

Since each e and e' belong to G , so

$$e * e' = e' * e = e \quad (e \text{ عنصر محادي})$$

and

$$e' * e = e * e' \quad (e' \text{ عنصر و } e \text{ عنصر محايد})$$

It follows that $e' = e$.

Theorem(3): In a group (G , *), the inverse element of each element in G is unique.

Proof :

Let $a \in G$ and a has two inverse x and x' . Such that $a * x = x * a = e$
 $a * x' = x' * a = e$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow x &= x * e = x * (a * x') \\ &= (x * a) * x' \\ &= e * x' \\ &= x' \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore x = x' \Rightarrow$ the inverse is an unique element.

Theorem(4): If (G , *) is group , then

- 1- $e^{-1} = e$
- 2- $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a \quad \forall a \in G$
- 3- $(a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1} \quad \forall a, b \in G$

Proof :-

1- Let $e^{-1} = x$

e is the identity element of G $\Rightarrow x * e = e * x = x$ ----- (1)

x is the inverse of $e \Rightarrow e * x = x * e = e$ ----- (2)

from (1) and(2) $\Rightarrow x = e \Rightarrow e^{-1} = e$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2- (a^{-1})^{-1} &= (a^{-1})^{-1} * e \\ &= (a^{-1})^{-1} * (a^{-1} * a) \\ &= ((a^{-1})^{-1} * a^{-1}) * a \\ &= e * a = a. \end{aligned}$$

$$3) (a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}, \quad \forall a, b \in G$$

Proof :

$$\text{Since } (a * b) \in G \Rightarrow (a * b)^{-1} \in G$$

$$(a * b) * (a * b)^{-1} = (a * b)^{-1} * (a * b) = e \text{ (def . of inverse)}$$

$$(a * b) * (a * b)^{-1} = e$$

$$a^{-1} * (a * b) * (a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1} * e$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * b * (a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1}$$

$$e * b * (a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1}$$

$$b^{-1} * b (a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$$

$$e * (a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$$

$$\therefore (a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$$

Theorem(5) : Let $(G, *)$ be a group . Then

$$\text{i- } (a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1} * b^{-1} \Leftrightarrow G \text{ is comm. group.}$$

Proof :

(\Rightarrow) Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $(a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1} * b^{-1}$. To prove G is comm.

Let $a, b \in G$. To prove $a * b = b * a, \forall a, b \in G$

$$a * b = ((a * b)^{-1})^{-1} \quad (\text{by } (a^{-1})^{-1} = a)$$

$$= (b^{-1} * a^{-1})^{-1} \quad (\text{by Th.4})$$

$$= (b^{-1})^{-1} * (a^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$= b * a \quad (\text{by } (a^{-1})^{-1} = a)$$

$\therefore G$ is comm. gp.

(\Leftarrow) Let $(G, *)$ is a comm . gp. To prove $(a * b)^{-1} = a^{-1} * b^{-1}$

$$(a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1} \quad (\text{by Th.4})$$

$$= a^{-1} * b^{-1} \quad (\text{by comm.})$$

ii) if $a = a^{-1}$ then G is comm . gp . (Is the converse true?)

proof :

$$\text{Let } a = a^{-1} \quad \text{T. P. } a * b = b * a , \quad \forall a, b \in G$$

$$\text{Let } a, b \in G \text{ and } a * b \in G \Rightarrow (a * b) = (a * b)^{-1}$$

$$= b^{-1} * a^{-1} \quad (\text{by Th.4})$$

$$= b * a$$

$\therefore G$ is comm. Group.

The converse of this part is not true.

(i-e.) if $(G, *)$ is comm . $\not\Rightarrow a = a^{-1}$

For example:

Let $(G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}, *)$ be comm . group,

$$\text{Let } a = i \Rightarrow a^{-1} = -i$$

$$\therefore a \neq a^{-1}$$

Give another example (H. W.)

Theorem (6): In a group $(G, *)$, the equations $a * x = b$ and $y * a = b$ have a unique solution.

proof : we take

$$a * x = b \Rightarrow a^{-1} * (a * x) = a^{-1} * b$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * x = a^{-1} * b$$

$$e * x = a^{-1} * b$$

$$x = a^{-1} * b$$

To show the solution is a unique

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x' \in G \quad \text{s.t.} \quad a * x' &= b \\ \Rightarrow a * x' &= a * x \\ \Rightarrow x' &= x \quad (\text{by com. law}) \end{aligned}$$

By same way, we prove $y * a = b$ has Solution $y = b * a^{-1}$.

Definition.(The integral powers of a)

Let $(G, *)$ be a group . The integral powers of a , $a \in G$ is defined by :

- 1- $a^n = \underbrace{a * a \dots * a}_{n-times}$
- 2- $a^0 = e$
- 3- $a^{-n} = (a^{-1})^n, n \in Z^+$
- 4- $a^{n+1} = a^n * a, n \in Z^+$.

For example :

(1) In $(R, +)$,

$$\begin{aligned} 3^0 &= 0, \\ 3^3 &= 3 + 3 + 3 = 9, \\ 3^{-2} &= (3^{-1})^2 = (-3) + (-3) \\ &= -6. \end{aligned}$$

(2) In $(R, .)$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2^0 &= 1, \\ 2^3 &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8, \\ 2^{-4} &= (2^{-1})^4 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \end{aligned}$$

(3) In ($G = \{ 1, -1, i, -i \}$, .) ,

$$\begin{aligned} i^0 &= 1, \quad i^2 = i \times i = -1, \quad i^{-2} = (i^{-1})^2 = (-i)^2 \\ &= -i \times -i \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem:

Let ($G, *$) be a group and $a \in G, m, n \in Z$, then :

1- $a^n * a^m = a^{n+m} \quad \forall n, m \in Z$ (H. W.)

2- $(a^n)^m = a^{n^m} \quad \forall n, m \in Z^+$

3- $a^{-n} = (a^n)^{-1} \quad \forall n \in Z^+$

4- $(a * b)^n = a^n * b^n \quad \forall n \in Z \Leftrightarrow G$ is comm. group.

Proof :

2- T.P. $(a^n)^m = a^{n^m}, \quad \forall n, m \in Z^+$

Let $p(m) : ((a^n)^m = a^{n^m} \quad \forall n \in Z^+)$

T.P. is true $\forall m \in Z^+$

If $m = 1 \Rightarrow p(1) : (a^n)^1 = a^n = a^{n \times 1} \Rightarrow p(1)$ is true

Suppose that $p(k)$ is true with $k \in Z^+$ and $k \leq m$

$$\therefore (a^n)^k = a^{nk}$$

We have to prove that $p(k+1)$ is true

$$P(k+1) : (a^n)^{k+1} = a^{n(k+1)} ??$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a^n)^{k+1} &= (a^n)^k * (a^n)^1 \quad (\text{by define of } a^{n+1} = a^n * a^1) \\ &= a^{nk} * a^n \\ &= a^{nk+n} \quad \text{by (1) above} \end{aligned}$$

$$= a^{n(k+1)}$$

$\therefore p(k+1)$ is true

By the principle of mathematical induction

$$\Rightarrow p(m) \text{ is true } \forall m \in Z^+$$

$$\therefore (a^n)^m = a^{nm}, \forall n, m \in Z^+$$

$$3 - T.P. \quad a^{-n} = (a^{-1})^n = (a^n)^{-1}, \forall n \in Z^+$$

$$\text{If } n = 1 \Rightarrow p(1) : (a^{-1})^1 = a^{-1} = (a^1)^{-1}$$

$$\text{Suppose that if } n = k \text{ is true} \Rightarrow p(k) = (a^{-1})^k = (a^k)^{-1}$$

We must prove $p(k+1)$ is true

$$P(k+1) : (a^{-1})^{k+1} = (a^{k+1})^{-1} ?$$

$$(a^{-1})^{k+1} = (a^{-1})^k * (a^{-1})^1 = (a^k)^{-1} * (a^1)^{-1} = (a^{k+1})^{-1}$$

$\therefore p(k+1)$ is true

By the principle of math. ind. $\Rightarrow p(n)$ is true, $\forall n \in Z^+$.

4-(\Rightarrow) If $n = 2 \Rightarrow (a * b)^2 = a^2 * b^2$, T.P. G is comm. Group.

$$(a * b) * (a * b) = a * a * b * b \quad (\text{by def. of power int.})$$

$$a * (b * a) * b = a * (a * b) * b \quad (\text{by asso.})$$

$$(b * a) * b = (a * b) * b \quad (\text{by cancellation law})$$

$$b * a = a * b \quad (\text{by cancellation law})$$

$\therefore G$ is comm. group.

(\Leftarrow) Let G be comm. group. T.P $(a * b)^n = (a^n * b^n)$, $\forall n \in Z$.

$$\text{Let } p(n) : (a * b)^n = a^n * b^n$$

$$\text{If } n = 1 \Rightarrow (a * b)^1 = a^1 * b^1 \text{ is true}$$

Suppose that $p(k)$ is true with $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $k \leq n$

$$\text{s.t. } (a * b)^k = a^k * b^k$$

We must prove $P(k+1)$ is true

$$P(k+1) : (a * b)^{k+1} = (a * b)^k * (a * b)^1$$

$$= a^k * b^k * a^1 * b^1$$

$$= (a^k * b^k) * (b * a) \quad \text{since } G \text{ is comm.}$$

$$= a^k * (b^k * b) * a \quad (\text{by asso.})$$

$$= a^k * a * b^{k+1}$$

$$= a^{k+1} * b^{k+1}$$

$\therefore p(k+1)$ is true, $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Definition: ((order of a group))

The number of elements of a group G is called the order of G and is denoted by $|G|$ or $o(G)$.

G is called a finite group if $|G| < \infty$ and infinite group otherwise .

Definition (the order of an element)

The order of an element a , $a \in G$ is the least positive integer n such that $a^n = e$, where e is the identity element of G . We denoted to order a by $|a|$ or $o(a)$.

(i.e.) $|a| = n$ if $a^n = e$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Example (1): $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an infinite group

Example (2): the trivial group $G = \{0\}$

$|G| = 1$, G is the only group of order 1.

Example (3): find the order of G and the order of each element of $(G, +)$

. Such that $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$.

Ans.

$$|G| = 4 \text{ and}$$

$$|a| : a = 1, \text{ then } |a| = |1| = 1 \text{ (since } e = 1)$$

$$\text{If } a = -1, \text{ then } |-1| : (-1)^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |-1| = 2$$

$$\text{If } a = i, \text{ then } |i| : i^2 = -1, i^4 = 1 \Rightarrow |i| = 4$$

$$\text{If } a = -i, \text{ then } |-i| : -i^2 = -1, -i^3 = i, -i^4 = 1$$

$$\therefore |-i| = 4$$

“The group of integers modulo n ”

Definition: Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0$. Then a is congruent to b modulo n if $a - b = nk, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and denoted by $a \equiv b$ or $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$

$$1- 17 \equiv 5 \pmod{6}, \text{ since } 17 - 5 = 12 = (6)(2)$$

$$2- 8 \equiv 4 \pmod{2}, \text{ since } 8 - 4 = 4 = (2)(2)$$

$$3- -12 \equiv 3 \pmod{3}, \text{ since } -12 - 3 = -15 = (3)(-5)$$

$$4- 5 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{2}, \text{ since } 5 - 2 = 3 \neq (2)(k), \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Theorem: The congruence module n is an equivalence relation on the set of integers.

Proof:

Let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}, n > 0$

$$1- a-a = 0 = (n)(0)$$

$\therefore a \equiv a \pmod{n}$ reflexive is true

$$2- \text{if } a \equiv b \pmod{n}, \text{ T. P. } b \equiv a \pmod{n}$$

$$\therefore a \equiv b \pmod{n} \Rightarrow a - b = nk, k \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ so, } b - a = -nk = (n)(-k), -k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\therefore b \equiv a \pmod{n} \Rightarrow$ symmetric is true

3- If $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ and $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$

T. P. $a \equiv c \pmod{n}$

Since $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$, then $a - b = nk$

And $b \equiv c \pmod{n}$, then $b - c = nk'$

By adding these two eqs . $\Rightarrow a - c = n(k + k')$, $k + k' \in \mathbb{Z}$

$\therefore a \equiv c \pmod{n}$

\Rightarrow Transitive is true

\therefore The congruence modulo n is an equivalence relation .

Definition:

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$, $n > 0$. The congruence class of a modulo n , denoted by $[a]$ is the set of all integers that are congruent to a modulo n .

(i.e.)

$$\begin{aligned}[a] &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z \equiv a \pmod{n} \} \\ &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z = a + kn, k \in \mathbb{Z} \}\end{aligned}$$

Example(1):

If $n = 2$, find $[0], [1]$

$$\begin{aligned}[0] &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \} \\ &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z = 0 + 2k, k \in \mathbb{Z} \} \\ &= \{ 0, \mp 2, \mp 4, \dots \}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}[1] &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z \equiv 1 \pmod{2} \} \\ &= \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z = 1 + 2k, k \in \mathbb{Z} \} \\ &= \{ \mp 1, \mp 3, \mp 5, \dots \}.\end{aligned}$$

Example(2):

If $n = 3$, find $[1], [7]$

$$[1] = \{ z \in \mathbb{Z} : z \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \}$$

$$= \{ 1, 1+3, 1+6, \dots \}$$

$$= \{ 1, -2, 4, 7, -5, \dots \}.$$

$[7]$ (H. W.)

Definition:

The set of all congruence classes modulo n is denoted by \mathbb{Z}_n (which is read Z mod n). Thus

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{ [0], [1], [2], \dots, [n-1] \}, \text{ or}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \dots, \bar{n-1} \}$$

\mathbb{Z}_n has n elements.

Example:

$$\mathbb{Z}_1 = \{ \bar{0} \}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1} \}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_3 = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2} \}$$

Now, we define addition on \mathbb{Z}_n (write $+_n$) by the following :

$$\text{For any } [a], [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n \quad [a] +_n [b] = [a + b]$$

Similarly, we define multiplication on \mathbb{Z}_n (write \cdot_n) by the following :

$$[a] \cdot_n [b] = [a \cdot b], \forall [a], [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$$

It is easy to see that $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ is an abelian group with identity $[0]$ and for every $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$, $[a]^{-1} = [n-a]$. This group is called the Additive Group of integers modulo n .

Also, (Z_n, \cdot_n) is abelian semi group with identity [1]. It is called the multiplicative semi group of integers modulo n .

Example (1): $(Z_4, +_4)$

$$Z_4 = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3} \}$$

(1) Closure is true

(2) Asso. is true

(3) $\bar{0}$ is an identity element

(4) Inverse:

$$\bar{1}^{-1} = \bar{4} \cdot \bar{1} = \bar{3}$$

$$\bar{2}^{-1} = \bar{4} \cdot \bar{2} = \bar{2}$$

$$\bar{3}^{-1} = \bar{4} - \bar{3} = \bar{1}$$

$$(5) \text{ Comm : } \bar{1} + \bar{2} = \bar{3} = \bar{2} + \bar{1}$$

$$\bar{1} + \bar{3} = \bar{0} = \bar{3} + \bar{1}$$



$\therefore (Z_4, +_4)$ is a Comm. group.

$+_4$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$
$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$
$\bar{1}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{0}$
$\bar{2}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$
$\bar{3}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$

Example (2): (Z_4, \cdot_4)

\cdot_4	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$
$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{0}$
$\bar{1}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{1}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{3}$
$\bar{2}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{2}$
$\bar{3}$	$\bar{0}$	$\bar{3}$	$\bar{2}$	$\bar{1}$

It is clear that we cannot have a group. Since the number $\bar{1}$ is identity but the numbers $\bar{0}$ and $\bar{2}$ have no inverse. It follows that

(Z_4, \cdot_4) is not a group, but it is semi group.

The Permutations : (التباديل)

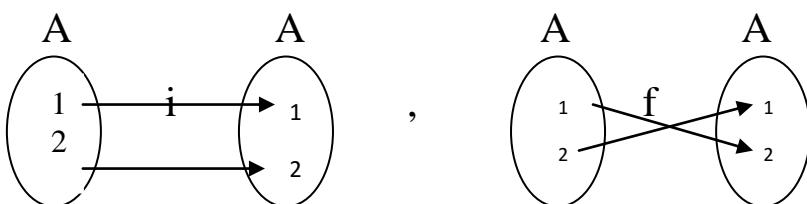
Definition: A Permutation or symmetric of a set A is a function from A in to A that is both one to one and on to.

$$f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} A$$

$\text{Symm}(A) = \{f \mid f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} A\}$ the set of all permutation on A .

If A is the finite set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, then the set of all permutation of A is denoted by S_n or P_n and $o(S_n) = n!$, where $n! = n(n-1) \dots (3)(2)(1)$

Example (1): Let $A = \{1, 2\}$. Write all permutation on A.



$$\text{Symm}(A) = \{i, f\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Example (2): Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$. Write all Perm. on A .

$$f_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, f_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, f_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, f_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, f_6 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$P_3 = \text{Symm}(A) = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6\}$$

$$\circ(P_3) = 3! = (3)(2) = 6$$

Theorem : If $A \neq \varphi$, then the set of all permutation on A Forms a group with composition of Mapps.

(i.e.) Let $\neq \varphi$, then $(\text{Symm}(A), \circ)$ is a group.

Proof :

$$\text{Symm}(A) = \{f \mid f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, \text{onto}} A \text{ is a mapp.}\},$$

T.P. $(\text{Symm}(A), \circ)$ is a group.

$$\text{since } \exists i_A: A \xrightarrow{1-1, \text{onto}} A \text{ a perm. on } A$$

$$\therefore i_A \in \text{Symm}(A) \Rightarrow \text{Symm}(A) \neq \varphi.$$

(1) Closure : Let $f, g \in \text{symm}(A)$, it follows that

$$f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, \text{onto}} A, g: A \xrightarrow{1-1, \text{onto}} A$$

$$\Rightarrow fog: A \xrightarrow{1-1, \text{onto}} A \Rightarrow fog \in \text{Symm}(A)$$

(2) Asso. : True since the composition of maps is an asso.

(3) The identity : since $i_A \in \text{symm}(A)$ and $i_A \circ f = f \circ i_A = f$

for all f in $\text{symm}(A) \Rightarrow i_A$ is an idenety element

(4) The inverse : $\forall f: A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} A, \exists f^{-1}: A \xrightarrow{1-1, onto} A$

$$\therefore f^{-1} \in \text{Symm}(A) \text{ and } f \circ f^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ f = i_A$$

$\therefore (\text{Symm}(A), o)$ is a group.

Is $(\text{Symm}(A), o)$ comm. group ? (H.W.)

Example: Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$, then

$S_3 = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6\}$ and (S_3, o) is a group.

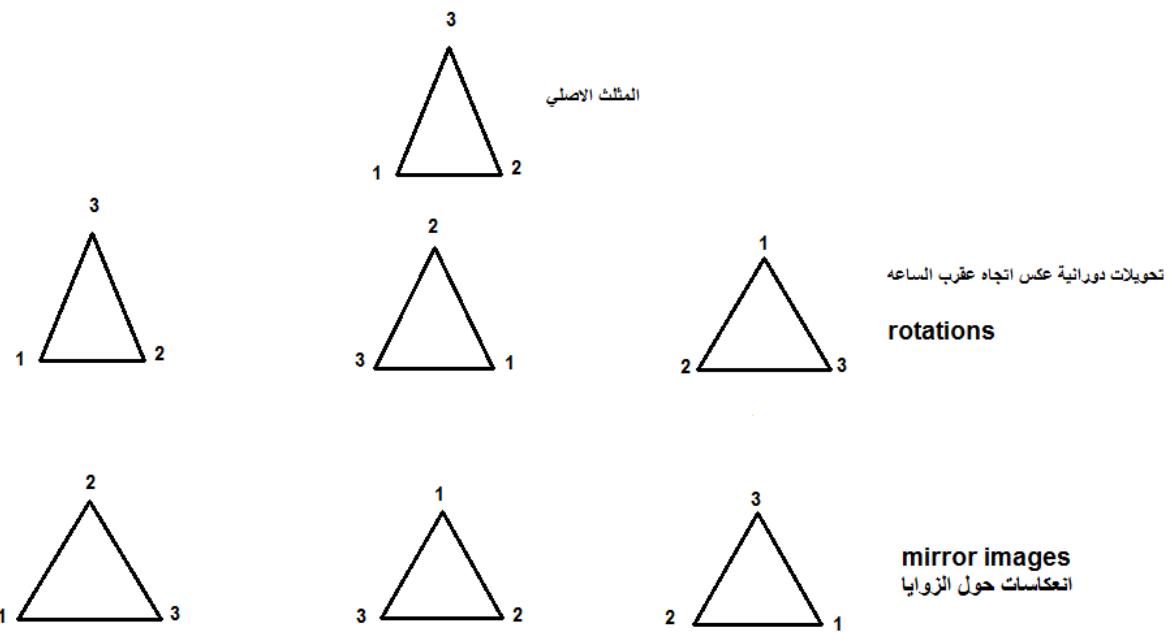
This group is called symmetric group.

o	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	f_6
f_1	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	f_6
f_2	f_2	f_3	f_1	f_6	f_4	f_5
f_3	f_3	f_1	f_2	f_5	f_6	f_4
f_4	f_4	f_5	f_6	f_1	f_2	f_3
f_5	f_5	f_6	f_4	f_3	f_1	f_2
f_6	f_6	f_4	f_5	f_2	f_3	f_1

(S_3, o) is not Comm. Group.

Also (S_3, o) is called the group of symmetries of an equilateral triangle .

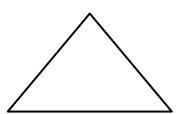
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Definition : (The dihedral group D_n of order $2n$)

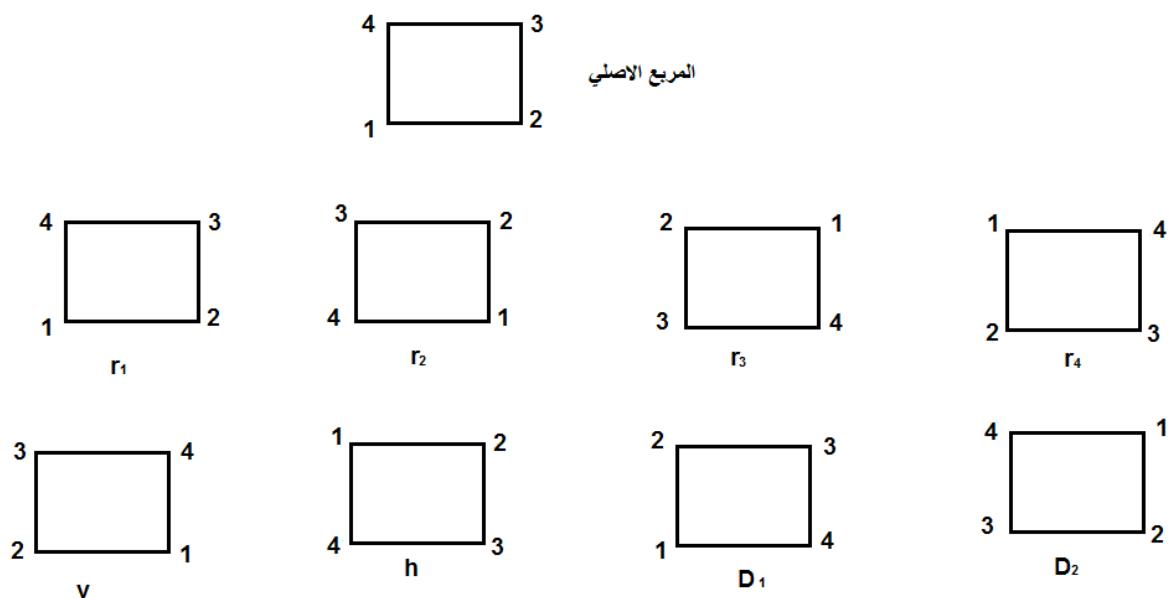
The n^{th} dihedral group is the group of symmetries of the regular n -gon. $o(D_n) = 2n$

D_3 : is the third dihedral group.



, $O(D_3) = (2)(3) = 6$ elements.

Example . The group of symmetries of square D_4 or G_s , $o(D_4) = 8$
 $G_s = D_4 = \{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, v, D_1, D_2\}$, where r_i are a clockwise rotation
 V, h, D_1, D_2 are mirror images



- (1) Write all elements of G_s as a permutation.
- (2) Is (G_s, o) comm. group? Use table (H.W.)

Definition: A permutation f of a set A is called a cycle of length n if there exist $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in A$ such that

$$f(a_1) = a_2, f(a_2) = a_3, \dots, f(a_{n-1}) = a_n, f(a_n) = a_1 \text{ and } f(x) = x,$$

for $x \in A$ but $x \notin \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. We write $f = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$.

Example: If $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = (1354)(2) = (1354)$$

Observe that

$$(1354) = (3541) = (5413) = (4135).$$

Example: (2) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ be a set of a group S_6 . Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = (142)o(3)o(56) = (142)o(56)$$

And

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = (16)o(245)o(3) = (16)o(245)$$

These permutations above are not cycles.

Theorem: Every permutation f of a finite set A is a product of disjoint cycles.

Definition: A cycle of length 2 is a transposition.

Example: The permutation

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (24) \text{ is a transposition.}$$

Property: any permutation can be expressed as the product of transpositions.

$$(i.e.) (a_1a_2 \dots a_n) = (a_1a_2)(a_1a_3) \dots (a_1a_n)$$

Therefore any cycle is a product of transpositions.

Example: We see that $(16)(2 \ 5 \ 3) = (16)(2 \ 5)(2 \ 3)$.

Definition: A permutation is even or odd according as it can be written as the product of an even or odd number of transpositions .

Example (1) Let $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in P_3$

Is f even or odd permutation .

$$\text{Ans. } f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = (1 \ 3 \ 2) = (13)(12)$$

f has 2 transpositions $\Rightarrow f$ is an even perm.

Example(2): Determine an even and odd permutations of P_4 .

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Definition: “Alternating group” زمرة التباديل

The Alternating group on n letters, denoted by A_n is the group consisting of all even permutations in the symmetric group S_n .

$$o(A_n) = \frac{n!}{2} , \quad A_n \subset S_n$$

Example(1): Let $S_3 = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6\}$, then

$A_3 = \{i, f_2, f_3\}$ is a sub group of S_3

$$o(A_3) = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

Example(2): Find A_4 from S_4

(H. W.)

Chapter Two

الزمر الجزئية والزمر الدائرية Subgroups and Cyclic Groups

Definition (1):

Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $H \subseteq G$, H is a non-empty subset of G . Then $(H, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ if $(H, *)$ is itself a group.

Definition (2)

Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $H \subseteq G$, Then $(H, *)$ is subgroup of G if :

(1) $\forall a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b \in H$

(2) The identity element of G is an element of H . $e \in G \Rightarrow e \in H$

(3) $\forall a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

Remark (1):

Each group $(G, *)$ has at least two subgroup $(\{e\}, *)$ and $(G, *)$, these subgroups are known trivial subgroup and improper, any subgroup different from these subgroups known a proper subgroup.

Examples (1):

1. $(Z, +)$ is a proper subgroup of $(R, +)$

2. $H = \{1, -1\} \subseteq \{1, -1, i, -i\}$, then $(H, .)$ is a subgroup of $(\{1, -1, i, -i\}, .)$

3. $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{2}\} \subseteq Z_4$

$(H, +_4)$ is a proper subgroup of $(Z_4, +_4)$. But $\{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\}$ is not subgroup of $(Z_4, +_4)$.

4. $(Q \setminus \{0\}, \times)$ is a subgroup of $(R \setminus \{0\}, \times)$.

Theorem (1): Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $H \neq \emptyset$, $H \subseteq G$. Then $(H, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ iff $a * b^{-1} \in H$, $\forall a, b \in H$

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup and $a, b \in H$, then

$$a, b^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H \text{ (since } * \text{closure)}$$

(\Leftarrow) Let $a * b^{-1} \in H$ T.P. $(H, *)$ is subgroup

(1) Since $H \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow \exists b \in H$ s.t. $b * b^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow e \in H$.

(2) Since $b \in H$ and $e \in H \Rightarrow e * b^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow b^{-1} \in H$

(3) Let $a \in H$ and $b^{-1} \in H$ (by 2) $\Rightarrow a * (b^{-1})^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow a * b \in H$

\therefore By definition (2) $(H, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$

Example (2): Let $(Z, +)$ be a group and $H = \{5a : a \in Z\}$. Show that $(H, +)$ is a subgroup of $(Z, +)$

Solution: By The above, let $x + y \in H$, T.P. $x + y^{-1} \in H$

$$x \in H \Rightarrow x = 5a, a \in Z, y \in H \Rightarrow y = 5b, b \in Z$$

$$x + y^{-1} = 5a + (5b)^{-1} = 5a + 5(-b)$$

$$= 5 \underbrace{(a - b)}_{\in Z} \in H$$

$\Rightarrow (H, +)$ is a subgroup of $(Z, +)$

Theorem (2): If $(H_i, *)$ is the collection of subgroups of $(G, *)$, then $(\cap H_i, *)$ is also subgroup of $(G, *)$

Proof:

(1) Since $\exists e \in H_i, \forall i \Rightarrow e \in \cap H_i \Rightarrow \cap H_i \neq \emptyset$

(2) Let $x, y \in \cap H_i$ T.P. $x * y^{-1} \in \cap H_i$

Since $x, y \in \cap H_i \Rightarrow x, y \in H_i \forall i$

$\Rightarrow x * y^{-1} \in H_i, \forall i$ (since H_i subgroups)

$\Rightarrow x * y^{-1} \in \cap H_i$

$\therefore (\cap H_i, *)$ is subgroup of $(G, *)$

Theorem (3): Let $(H_i, *)$ is the collection of subgroups of $(G, *)$ and let H_k and $H_j \in \{H_i\}$ such that $\exists H_\ell \in \{H_i\}$, $H_k \subseteq H_\ell$ and $H_j \subseteq H_\ell$ then $(\cup H_i, *)$ is also subgroup.

Proof:

(1) Since $\exists e \in H_i$ for some $i \Rightarrow e \in \cup H_i \Rightarrow \cup H_i \neq \emptyset$

(2) Let $x, y \in \cup H_i$, then $x, y \in H_k$ or $x, y \in H_j$, so $x, y \in H_\ell$

$\Rightarrow x * y^{-1} \in H_\ell$, (since H_ℓ subgroup)

$\Rightarrow x * y^{-1} \in \cup H_i$

$\therefore (\cup H_i, *)$ is subgroup of $(G, *)$

Theorem (4): Let $(H_1, *)$ and $(H_2, *)$ are two subgroupsof $(G, *)$ then $(H_1 \cup H_2, *)$, is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ iff $H_1 \subseteq H_2$ or $H_2 \subseteq H_1$.

Proof:

(\Rightarrow) Let $(H_1 \cup H_2, *)$ is a subgroup, T.P. $H_1 \subseteq H_2$ or $H_2 \subseteq H_1$

Suppose that $H_1 \not\subseteq H_2$ and $H_2 \not\subseteq H_1$

$\therefore \exists a \in H_1, a \notin H_2$ and $\exists b \in H_2, b \notin H_1$

$\therefore a * b \in H_1 \cup H_2 \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H_1 \cup H_2$

$\Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H_1$ or $a * b^{-1} \in H_2$

$\Rightarrow a, b \in H_1$ or $a, b \in H_2$ (تناقض)

$\therefore H_1 \subseteq H_2$ or $H_2 \subseteq H_1$

(\Leftarrow) Let $H_1 \subseteq H_2$ or $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ T.P. $(H_1 \cup H_2, *)$ is a subgroup

If $H_1 \subseteq H_2 \Rightarrow H_1 \cup H_2 = H_2$ is a subgroup.

If $H_2 \subseteq H_1 \Rightarrow H_1 \cup H_2 = H_1$ is a subgroup

$\therefore H_1 \cup H_2$ is a subgroup in two cases.

Remark (2): $(H_1 \cup H_2, *)$ need not be a subgroup of $(G, *)$.

For example: $H_1 = \{r_1, r_3\}$ is a subgroup of G_s , and $H_2 = \{r_1, v\}$ is a subgroup of G_s .

But $H_1 \cup H_2 = \{r_1, r_3, v\}$ is not a subgroup of G_s , since $r_3 \circ v = h \notin H_1 \cup H_2$

Definition (3): Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $(H, *)$, $(K, *)$ be two subgroups of G , then the product of H and K is the set:

$$H * K = \{h * k : h \in H, k \in K\}$$

Notes(1):

(1) $H * H$ is write H^2

(2) If $H = \{a\}$, then $H * K = a * K$. If $K = \{b\}$, then $H * K = H * b$.

(3) $H \cup K \subseteq H * K$.

Theorem (5): Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $(H, *)$, $(K, *)$ are two subgroups of $(G, *)$, then

(1) $H * K \neq \emptyset \wedge H * K \subseteq G$

(2) $H \subseteq H * K$ and $K \subseteq H * K$

(3) $(H * K, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ iff $H * K = K * H$

(4) If $(G, *)$ is commutative group, then $(H * K, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$.

Proof:

(1) $\because e \in H \wedge e \in K \Rightarrow e * e = e \in H * K$

$$\therefore H * K \neq \emptyset$$

And let $x \in H * K \Rightarrow x = a * b \exists a \in H \subseteq G$ and $b \in K \subseteq G$

$$\Rightarrow a \in G \wedge b \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow a * b = x \in G$$

$$\therefore H * K \subseteq G$$

(2) Let $x \in H \Rightarrow x = x * e \in H * K$

$$\Rightarrow x \in H * K$$

$$\therefore H \subseteq H * K$$

Similarly $K \subseteq H * K$

(3) (\Rightarrow) suppose $(H*K, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$ T.P. $H*K = K*H$

$$(\text{i.e.}) \quad H*K \subseteq K*H \wedge K*H \subseteq H*K$$

Let $x \in H*K \Rightarrow x = a*b \exists a \in H \wedge b \in K$

Since $H*K$ is subgroup of $G \Rightarrow x^{-1} \in H*K$

Let $x^{-1} = c * d \exists c \in H \wedge d \in K$

$$x = (x^{-1})^{-1} = (c*d)^{-1} = d^{-1}*c^{-1} \exists d^{-1} \in K \wedge c^{-1} \in H$$

$$\therefore x = d^{-1}*c^{-1} \in K*H$$

$$\therefore H*K \subseteq K*H$$

$$K*H \subseteq H*K \text{ (H.W.)}$$

(\Leftarrow) Let $H*K = K*H$ T.P. $(H*K, *)$ is subgroup of $(G, *)$

$$H*K \neq \emptyset \text{ and } H*K \subseteq G \text{ (by 1)}$$

$$\text{Let } x, y \in H*K \text{ T.P. } x*y^{-1} \in H*K$$

$$x \in H*K \Rightarrow x = a*b \exists a \in H \wedge b \in K$$

$$y \in H*K \Rightarrow y = c*d \exists c \in H \wedge d \in K$$

$$x*y^{-1} = (a*b)*(c*d)^{-1}$$

$$= (a*b)*(d^{-1}*c^{-1})$$

$$= a * (\underbrace{b*d^{-1}}_{\in K}) * \underbrace{c^{-1}}_{\in H}$$

$$\therefore (b*d^{-1}) * c^{-1} \in K*H = H*K$$

$$\therefore (b*d^{-1}) * c^{-1} \in H*K$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists p \in H, \ell \in K \exists (b*d^{-1}) * c^{-1} = p * \ell$$

$$\therefore a * (b * d^{-1}) * c^{-1} = \underbrace{a * p * \ell}_{\in H \in K} \in H*K$$

$$\therefore x * y^{-1} \in H*K$$

$$\therefore (H*K, *) \text{ is subgroup of } (G, *)$$

(4) If $(G, *)$ is commutative group, then $(H*K, *)$ is subgroup of $(G, *)$

Proof: $H*K \neq \emptyset$ and $H*K \subseteq G$ (by 1)

Let $x, y \in H*K$ T.P. $x*y^{-1} \in H*K$

$$x \in H*K \implies x = a*b \quad \exists a \in H \wedge b \in K$$

$$y \in H*K \implies y = c*d \quad \exists c \in H \wedge d \in K$$

$$x*y^{-1} = (a*b)*(c*d)^{-1}$$

$$= (a*b)*(d^{-1}*c^{-1})$$

$$= (a*b)*(c^{-1}*d^{-1}) \text{ (since } G \text{ is commutative)}$$

$$= a*(b*c^{-1})*d^{-1} \text{ (* is associative)}$$

$$= (a*c^{-1})*(b*d^{-1}) \text{ (* is commutative and associative)}$$

$$\therefore x*y^{-1} \in H*K$$

$\therefore (H*K, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$

Example (3): In $(Z_8, +_8)$, Let $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{4}\}$ and $K = \{\bar{0}, \bar{2}, \bar{4}, \bar{6}\}$. Find $H +_8 K$

Solution: $H +_8 K = \{\bar{0}, \bar{2}, \bar{4}, \bar{6}\}$.

Notes (2): Let $(H, *)$ and $(K, *)$ are two subgroup of $(G, *)$, then :

(1) $H*K \neq K*H$

(2) $(H*K, *)$ need not be subgroup of $(G, *)$. Give example (**H.W.**)

Exercises: Is $(H, *)$ a subgroup of $(G, *)$ each of the following:

(1) $(Z_8, +_8)$, $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{6}\}$. Find H^2 .

(2) $(Z_4, +_4)$, $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$. Find H^2 .

Definition (4): The center of a group $(G, *)$ denoted by $\text{cent}(G)$ or $C(G)$ is the set $C(G) = \{c \in G : c*x = x*c, \forall x \in G\}$ العناصر التي تتبادل مع كل عناصر الزمرة

Note (3): $C(G) \neq \emptyset$, since $\exists e \in G$ s.t.

$$e*x = x*e \quad \forall x \in G \Rightarrow e \in C(G)$$

Examples (4):

(1) The group $(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$

$C(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$ since \mathbb{R} with multiplication is commutative

(2) The group (S_3, \circ) , $C(S_3) = \{f_1\}$

Since $C(S_3) = \{f \in S_3 : f \circ g = g \circ f \ \forall g \in S_3\} = \{f_1\}$

Theorem (6): Let $(G, *)$ be a group. Then $(\text{cent}(G), *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$.

Proof:

$\text{cent}(G) \neq \emptyset$ (by note (3))

$C(G) = \{a \in G : x * a = a * x, \forall x \in G\} \subseteq G$

Let $a, b \in \text{cent}(G)$ T.P. $a * b^{-1} \in \text{cent}(G)$

$a \in \text{cent}(G) \Rightarrow a * x = x * a, \forall x \in G$

$b \in \text{cent}(G) \Rightarrow b * x = x * b, \forall x \in G$

T.P. $(a * b^{-1}) * x = x * (a * b^{-1}) \ \forall x \in G$

$(a * b^{-1}) * x = a * (b^{-1} * x)$

$$= a * (x^{-1} * b)^{-1}$$

$$= a * (b * x^{-1})^{-1} (\text{since } b \in \text{cent}(G))$$

$$= a * (x * b^{-1})$$

$$= (a * x) * b^{-1}$$

$$= (x * a) * b^{-1} (\text{since } b \in \text{cent}(G))$$

$$= x * (a * b^{-1})$$

$$\therefore (a * b^{-1}) \in \text{cent}(G)$$

$\therefore (\text{cent}(G), *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$

Theorem(7): Let $(G, *)$ be a group. Then

$\text{cent}(G) = G \Leftrightarrow G$ is a commutative group.

Proof:

$(\Rightarrow) \ \forall a \in G \Rightarrow a \in \text{cent}(G)$

$$\therefore a*x = x*a, \forall x \in G$$

$$\therefore a*x = x*a, \forall x, a \in G$$

$\therefore G$ is commutative group

(\Leftarrow) suppose that G is commutative group $T.P. cent(G) = G$

$$(i.e) T.P. cent(G) \subseteq G \wedge G \subseteq cent(G)$$

By definition of $cent(G)$ we have $cent(G) \subseteq G$.

$$T.P. G \subseteq cent(G)$$

Let $x \in G$, G is commutative group $\Rightarrow x*a = a*x, \forall a \in G$

$$\therefore x \in cent(G) \Rightarrow G \subseteq cent(G)$$

$$\therefore cent G = G$$

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Definition (5): Let $(G, *)$ be a group and $a \in G$, the cyclic subgroup of G generated by the a is denoted by $\langle a \rangle$ and defined as

$$\langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{\dots, a^{-1}, a^0, a^1, \dots\}$$

$G = \langle a \rangle$ is called cyclic group.

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Definition (6): A group $(G, *)$ is called cyclic group generated by a iff $\exists a \in G$ such that

$$G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Examples (5): In $(\mathbb{Z}_9, +_9)$ find the cyclic subgroup generated by $\bar{2}, \bar{3}, \bar{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \bar{2} \rangle &= \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{\dots, (\bar{2})^{-3}, (\bar{2})^{-2}, (\bar{2})^{-1}, (\bar{2})^0, (\bar{2})^1, (\bar{2})^2, (\bar{2})^3, \dots\} \\ &= \{\dots, \bar{3}, \bar{5}, \bar{7}, \bar{0}, \bar{2}, \bar{4}, \bar{6}, \dots\} = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \dots, \bar{8}\} = \mathbb{Z}_9 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \mathbb{Z}_9$ is cyclic group generated by $\bar{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} <\bar{3}> &= \{ \dots, (\bar{3})^{-3}, (\bar{3})^{-2}, (\bar{3})^{-1}, (\bar{3})^0, (\bar{3})^1, (\bar{3})^2, (\bar{3})^3, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, \bar{3}, \bar{6}, \bar{0}, \bar{3}, \bar{6}, \bar{0}, \dots \} = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{3}, \bar{6} \} \text{ is cyclic subgroup of } Z_9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} <\bar{1}> &= \{ \dots, (\bar{1})^{-3}, (\bar{1})^{-2}, (\bar{1})^{-1}, (\bar{1})^0, (\bar{1})^1, (\bar{1})^2, (\bar{1})^3, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, \bar{6}, \bar{7}, \bar{8}, \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \dots \} = \{ \bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \dots, \bar{8} \} = Z_9 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore Z_9$ is cyclic group generated by $\bar{1}$

Examples (6): In $(Z, +)$ find cyclic group generated by 1, 2, -1

$$\begin{aligned} <1> &= \{ 1^k : k \in Z \} = \{ \dots, 1^{-3}, 1^{-2}, 1^{-1}, 1^0, 1^1, 1^2, 1^3, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots \} = Z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} <2> &= \{ 2^k : k \in Z \} = \{ \dots, 2^{-3}, 2^{-2}, 2^{-1}, 2^0, 2^1, 2^2, 2^3, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, -6, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots \} \neq Z \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} <-1> &= \{ (-1)^k : k \in Z \} \\ &= \{ \dots, (-1)^{-3}, (-1)^{-2}, (-1)^{-1}, (-1)^0, (-1)^1, (-1)^2, (-1)^3, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, 2, 1, 0, -1, -2, \dots \} = Z \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (Z, +)$ is cyclic group generated by 1 and -1

Examples (7): Is (S_3, \circ) cyclic group?

$$\begin{aligned} <f_1> &= \{ f_1 \} \neq S_3 \\ <f_2> &= \{ f_2^k : k \in Z \} = \{ \dots, f_2^{-2}, f_2^{-1}, f_2^0, f_2^1, f_2^2, \dots \} \\ &= \{ \dots, f_2, f_3, f_1, f_2, f_3, \dots \} = \{ f_1, f_2, f_3 \} \neq S_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$<f_3> = \{ f_1, f_2, f_3 \} \neq S_3$$

$$<f_4> = \{ f_1, f_4 \} \neq S_3$$

$$<f_5> = \{ f_1, f_5 \} \neq S_3$$

$$<f_6> = \{ f_1, f_6 \} \neq S_3$$

$\therefore (S_3, \circ)$ is not cyclic group.

Examples (8): In $(Z_6, +_6)$ find cyclic group generated by $\bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{5}$ (H.W.)

Theorem (8): Every cyclic group is commutative.

Proof: Let $(G, *)$ be acyclic group

$\therefore \exists a \in G$ s.t. $G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ T.P. G is commutative group

Let $x, y \in G$ T.P. $x * y = y * x, \forall x, y \in G$

$\because x \in G = \langle a \rangle \Rightarrow x = a^m \exists m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $y \in G = \langle a \rangle \Rightarrow y = a^n \exists n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$x * y = a^m * a^n = a^{m+n} = a^{n+m} = a^n * a^m = y * x$$

$\therefore G$ is commutative group

The convers of this theorem is not true, for example:

$$(G = \{e, a, b, c\}, *) \text{ s.t. } a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = e$$

$$a^2 = e \Rightarrow a * a = e \Rightarrow a^{-1} = a$$

$$b^2 = e \Rightarrow b * b = e \Rightarrow b^{-1} = b$$

$$c^2 = e \Rightarrow c * c = e \Rightarrow c^{-1} = c$$

$$e^{-1} = e \Rightarrow x^{-1} = x \forall x \in G$$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is commutative group

But $(G, *)$ is not cyclic group since:

$$\langle e \rangle = \{e\} \neq G$$

$$\langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{e, a\} \neq G$$

$$\langle b \rangle = \{b^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{e, b\} \neq G$$

$$\langle c \rangle = \{c^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{e, c\} \neq G$$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is not cyclic

Theorem (9): $\langle a \rangle = \langle a^{-1} \rangle \forall a \in G$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a \rangle &= \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{(a^{-1})^{-k} : -k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \{(a^{-1})^m : m = -k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \\ &= \langle a^{-1} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (10): If $(G, *)$ is a finite group of order n generated by a , then $G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{a^1, a^2, \dots, a^n = e\}$ such that n is least positive integer $\exists a^n = e$, (i.e.)

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Examples (9): Show that $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ is cyclic group.

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \dots, \bar{n-1}\}$$

بما ان الزمرة من هيئة فتكتب بالشكل :

$$o(\mathbb{Z}_n) = n, \text{T.P. } \mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \bar{1} \rangle$$

$$\langle \bar{1} \rangle = \{(\bar{1})^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{(\bar{1})^1, (\bar{1})^2, (\bar{1})^3, (\bar{1})^n = \bar{0}\}$$

$$= \{\bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \dots, \bar{n} = \bar{0}\} = \mathbb{Z}_n$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \bar{1} \rangle \text{ and } o(\mathbb{Z}_n) = o(\bar{1}) = n.$$

Definition (7):(Division Algorithm for Z)

If a and b are integers with $b > 0$, then there is a unique pair of integers q and r such that:

$$a = bq + r \quad \text{where } 0 \leq r < b$$

The number q is called the quotient and r is called the remainder when a is divided by b .

Examples (10): Find the quotient q and remainder r when 38 is divided by 7 according to the division algorithm.

$$\text{Answer: } 38 = 7(5) + 3 \quad 0 \leq 3 \leq 7$$

$$\therefore q = 5 \text{ and } r = 3$$

Examples (11): $a = 23, b = 7$

$$23 = 7(3) + 2 \quad 0 \leq 2 \leq 7$$

$$q = 3, r = 2$$

Examples (12): $a=15$, $b=2$

$$15=(2)(7)+1 \quad 0 \leq 1 \leq 2$$

$$q=7 \quad r=1$$

Theorem (11): A subgroup of acyclic group is cyclic.

Proof: Let G be acyclic group generated by a and let H be a subgroup of G .

If $H=\{e\}$, then $H=\langle e \rangle$ is cyclic

If $H \neq \{e\}$ and $H \neq G$ (H is proper subgroup)

Then

$$x \in H \Rightarrow x = a^m \quad , m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow x^{-1} = a^{-m} \quad , -m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Let m be aleast positive integer, such that $a^m \in H$

$$\text{T.P. } H = \langle a^m \rangle = \{(a^m)^g : g \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\text{T.P. } H \subseteq \langle a^m \rangle \wedge \langle a^m \rangle \subseteq H$$

$$\text{Let } y \in H \Rightarrow y = a^s \quad , s \in \mathbb{Z}$$

By division algorithm of sand m

$$s = mg + r \Rightarrow r = s - mg$$

$$\therefore a^r = a^{s-mg} = a^s * (a^{-m})^g \quad 0 \leq r \leq m$$

$$\therefore a^r \in H \text{ but } 0 \leq r < m$$

$$r=0 \Rightarrow s=mg$$

$$a^s = (a^m)^g \in \langle a^m \rangle$$

$$\therefore y = a^s \in \langle a^m \rangle \Rightarrow H \subseteq \langle a^m \rangle$$

$$\text{T.P. } \langle a^m \rangle \subseteq H$$

$$\text{Let } x \in \langle a^m \rangle \Rightarrow x = (a^m)^g \quad , g \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$a^m \in H \Rightarrow (a^m)^g \in H$$

$$\therefore x \in H \Rightarrow \langle a^m \rangle \subseteq H$$

$\therefore (H, *)$ is cyclic subgroup.

Corollary (1): If $(G, *)$ is a finite cyclic group of order n generated by a , then every subgroup of G is cyclic generated by $a^m \exists m|n$

Proof: suppose $(G, *)$ is afinite, $o(G)=n$

$$G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^1, a^2, \dots, a^n = e\}$$

Let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup of $(G, *)$. Then $(H, *)$ is cyclic (by Theorem 11) such that $H = \langle a^m \rangle$

$$T.P. m|n (n=mg, g \in \mathbb{Z})$$

$e \in H \Rightarrow a^n \in H, a^m \in H$, by division algorithm of n and m

$$\Rightarrow n = mg + r \quad 0 \leq r < m$$

$$r = n - mg \Rightarrow a^r = a^n * (a^m)^{-g}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^r = (a^m)^{-g} \in H$$

But $0 \leq r < m$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } r=0 \Rightarrow n=mg$$

$$\therefore m|n$$

Examples (13): Find all subgroup of $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +_{15})$

Answer: $o(\mathbb{Z}_{15})=15$, $H = \langle (\bar{1})^m \rangle \exists m|n$

$$H = \langle (\bar{1})^m \rangle \exists m|15$$

$$m=1,3,5,15$$

$$\text{If } m=1 \Rightarrow H_1 = \langle \bar{1} \rangle = \mathbb{Z}_{15}$$

$$\text{If } m=3 \Rightarrow H_2 = \langle (\bar{1})^3 \rangle = \{\bar{3}, \bar{6}, \bar{9}, \bar{12}, \bar{0}\}$$

$$\text{If } m=5 \Rightarrow H_3 = \langle (\bar{1})^5 \rangle = \{\bar{5}, \bar{10}, \bar{0}\}$$

$$\text{If } m=15 \Rightarrow H_4 = \langle (\bar{1})^{15} \rangle = \{\bar{0}\} = \langle \bar{0} \rangle$$

(H.W.) Find all subgroup of $(\mathbb{Z}_8, +_8)$.

Corollary (2): If $(G, *)$ is finite cyclic group of prime order, then G has no proper subgroup.

Proof: Let $(G, *)$ be finite groupsuch that

$o(G) = p$ (p prime number)

$$G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^1, a^2, \dots, a^p = e\}$$

Let $(H, *)$ be cyclic subgroup

$$\therefore H = \langle a^m \rangle \exists m | p \Rightarrow m = 1 \text{ or } m = p$$

If $m=1 \Rightarrow H = \langle a \rangle = G$ (not proper subgroup)

If $m=p \Rightarrow H = \langle a^p = e \rangle = \{e\}$ (not proper subgroup)

$\therefore G$ has no proper subgroup.

Examples (14): Find all subgroup of $(Z_7, +_7)$

Answer: $o(Z_7) = 7$, let $H = \langle (\bar{1})^m \rangle \exists m | 7$

$$\therefore m=1, m=7$$

If $m=1 \Rightarrow H_1 = \langle \bar{1} \rangle = Z_7$

If $m=7 \Rightarrow H_2 = \langle (\bar{1})^7 \rangle = \{\bar{0}\}$

Definition (8): [g.c.d(x,y)] القاسم المشترك الأكبر

A positive integer is said to be a greatest common divisor of two non-zero numbers x and y

iff(1) $c|x \wedge c|y$

(2) if $a|x \wedge a|y \Rightarrow a|c$

$$(g.c.d(x,y)) = c$$

Examples (15): Find $(g.c.d.(12,18))$

Answer: $g.c.d(12,18) = 6$ since

$$(1) \quad 6|12 \wedge 6|18$$

$$(2) \quad 3|12 \wedge 3|18 \Rightarrow 3|6$$

$$\text{or } 1|12 \wedge 1|18 \Rightarrow 1|6$$

$$\text{or } 2|12 \wedge 2|18 \Rightarrow 2|16$$

Remark (3): If $(G, *)$ is finite cyclic group of order n generated by a , then the generators of G are a^k such that $\text{g.c.d.}(k, n) = 1$.

Examples (16): Find all generators of $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +_6)$

Answer: $o(\mathbb{Z}_6) = 6$, $\mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \bar{1} \rangle$

$$\mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \langle \bar{1} \rangle^k \rangle \text{ s.t. } \text{g.c.d.}(k, 6) = 1, k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$$

$$k=1 \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d.}(1, 6) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \bar{1} \rangle$$

$$k=2 \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d.}(2, 6) \neq 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6 \neq \langle \bar{1}^2 \rangle = \langle \bar{2} \rangle$$

$$k=3 \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d.}(3, 6) \neq 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6 \neq \langle \bar{1}^3 \rangle = \langle \bar{3} \rangle$$

$$k=4 \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d.}(4, 6) \neq 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6 \neq \langle \bar{1}^4 \rangle = \langle \bar{4} \rangle$$

$$k=5 \Rightarrow \text{g.c.d.}(5, 6) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \bar{1}^5 \rangle = \langle \bar{5} \rangle$$

The generators of \mathbb{Z}_6 are $\{\bar{1}, \bar{5}\}$

Theorem (12): If $(G, *)$ is an infinite cyclic group generated by a , then:

(1) a and a^{-1} are only generators of G

(2) Every subgroup of G except $\{e\}$ is an infinite subgroup.

Proof(1):

Suppose $G = \langle a \rangle$ T.P. $G = \langle a^{-1} \rangle$

Let $a \in G \ni G = \langle a \rangle = \{ \dots, a^{-2}, a^{-1}, a^0, a^1, a^2, \dots \}$

Let $b \in G \ni G = \langle b \rangle = \{ \dots, b^{-2}, b^{-1}, b^0, b^1, b^2, \dots \}$

$$a \in G = \langle b \rangle \Rightarrow a = b^r, r \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \dots (1)$$

$$b \in G = \langle a \rangle \Rightarrow b = a^s, s \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Put (1) in (2)} \Rightarrow b = (b^r)^s \Rightarrow b^1 = b^{rs} \Rightarrow b^1 = b^{rs}$$

$$1 = rs \Rightarrow r = s = 1 \text{ or } r = s = -1$$

$$\text{If } r = s = 1 \Rightarrow a = b \Rightarrow G = \langle a \rangle$$

$$\text{If } r = s = -1 \Rightarrow b = a^{-1} \Rightarrow G = \langle a^{-1} \rangle$$

Proof (2): Let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup of $(G, *)$. $\exists H \neq \{e\}$. T.P. $(H, *)$ is infinite

Suppose that $(H, *)$ is finite $\exists o(H) = k$

$(H, *)$ is cyclic subgroup

$$H = \langle a^m \rangle = \{(a^m)^1, (a^m)^2, \dots, (a^m)^k = e\}$$

$$a^{mk} = e \Rightarrow o(a) = mk$$

$\therefore o(a) = o(G) \quad c! \quad$ متناظر (G = $\langle a \rangle$, G is finite)

$\therefore (H, *)$ is infinite.

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Let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup of a group $(G, *)$. The set

$a * H = \{a * h : h \in H\}$ of G is the left coset of H containing a, while the subset

$H * a = \{h * a : h \in H\}$ is the right coset of H containing a.

Examples (17): If $(Z_6, +_6)$, $a = \bar{1}$, $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{2}, \bar{4}\}$, then

$$\bar{1} +_6 H = \{\bar{1}, \bar{3}, \bar{5}\}, H +_6 \bar{1} = \{\bar{1}, \bar{3}, \bar{5}\}$$

$$\bar{3} +_6 H = \{\bar{3}, \bar{5}, \bar{1}\}, H +_6 \bar{3} = \{\bar{3}, \bar{5}, \bar{1}\}$$

Notes(4):

(1) $a * H$ is not subgroup in general. Give an example (H.W.)

(2) $a * H = H * a$ in general, for example

$$(S_3, \circ), H = \{f_1, f_4\}, a = f_2$$

$$f_2 \circ H = \{f_2, f_5\}, H \circ f_2 = \{f_2, f_6\}$$

$$f_2 \circ H \neq H \circ f_2$$

Theorem (13): Let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup of $(G, *)$ and $a \in G$, then

(1) H is itself left coset of H in G.

Proof: $e \in G$, $e * H = \{e * h : h \in H\} = H$

(2) If $(G, *)$ is abelian group, then $a * H = H * a$

Proof: $a * H = \{a * h : h \in H\} = \{h * a : h \in H\} = H * a$

The converse is not true, for example: (S_3, \circ) , $H = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$ $a = f_4$

$f_4 \circ H = \{f_4, f_5, f_6\}$ and $H \circ f_4 = \{f_4, f_6, f_5\}$

$\therefore f_4 \circ H = H \circ f_4$ but (S_3, \circ) is not abelian group.

(3) $a \in a * H$

Proof: $a = a * e \in a * H$

(4) $a * H = H \Leftrightarrow a \in H$

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Suppose $a * H = H$, then by (3) we get $a \in H$

(\Leftarrow) Suppose $a \in H$ T.P. $a * H = H$

We must prove that $a * H \subseteq H \wedge H \subseteq a * H$

T.P. $a * H \subseteq H$

Let $x \in a * H \Rightarrow x = a * h \in H$ (since $a \in H \wedge h \in H$)

$$\therefore a * H \subseteq H$$

T.P. $H \subseteq a * H$

Let $b \in H \Rightarrow b = e * b$

$$= (a * a^{-1}) * b$$

$$= a * \underbrace{(a^{-1} * b)}_{\in H} \Rightarrow b \in a * H$$

$$\therefore H \subseteq a * H$$

Thus $a * H = H$

(5) $a * H = b * H \Leftrightarrow a^{-1} * b \in H$

Proof: (\Rightarrow) $a * H = b * H$

$$a^{-1} * (a * H) = a^{-1} * (b * H)$$

$$(a^{-1}*a)*H = (a^{-1}*b)*H$$

$$H = (a^{-1}*b)*H$$

$$\text{By (4)} \Rightarrow a^{-1}*b \in H$$

(\Leftarrow)

Suppose that $a^{-1}*b \in H$

$$\text{By (4)} \Rightarrow (a^{-1}*b)*H = H$$

$$\Rightarrow b*H = a*H$$

Remark (4): Every coset (left or right)of a subgroup H of a group $(G, *)$ has the same number of elements as H .

$$(6) a*H = b*H \vee (a*H) \cap (b*H) = \emptyset$$

Proof: Suppose $(a*H) \cap (b*H) = \emptyset$

$$\text{T.P. } a*H = b*H$$

$$\exists x \exists x \in a*H \wedge x \in b*H$$

$$x = a*h_1 \wedge x = b*h_2 \exists h_1, h_2 \in H$$

$$a*h_1 = b*h_2 \Rightarrow h_1 = a^{-1}*b *h_2$$

$$\Rightarrow h_1 * h_2^{-1} = a^{-1}*b \in H$$

$$\text{by(5)} \Rightarrow a*H = b*H$$

or suppose $a*H \neq b*H$ T.P. $(a*H) \cap (b*H) = \emptyset$

suppose $(a*H) \cap (b*H) \neq \emptyset$

$$\therefore \exists x \in a*H \wedge x \in b*H$$

$$x = a*h_1 \wedge x = b*h_2$$

$$a^{-1}*b = h_1 * h_2^{-1} \Rightarrow a^{-1}*b \in H$$

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$$\therefore (a*H) \cap (b*H) = \emptyset$$

(7) The set of all distinct left coset of H in G form a partition on G.

Proof: T.P. $G = \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H$ and $a_i * H \cap a_j * H = \emptyset$

$\therefore a_i * H, a_j * H$ are distinct

$\therefore a_i * H \cap a_j * H = \emptyset$ T.P. $G = \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H$

$a * H \subseteq G \quad \forall a \in G$ (by definition of coset)

$\Rightarrow \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H \subseteq G \quad \dots(1)$

$\forall a \in G \Rightarrow a \in a * H \Rightarrow a \in \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H$

$\therefore G \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H \quad \dots(2)$

From (1)and (2) $\Rightarrow G = \bigcup_{a \in G} a * H$

Example (17): The group $(Z_6, +_6)$ is abelian. Find the partition of Z_6 into coset of the subgroup $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\}$

Answer: $Z_6 = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \bar{4}, \bar{5}\}$

$$\bar{0} +_6 H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\} = H$$

$$\bar{1} +_6 H = \{\bar{1}, \bar{4}\}$$

$$\bar{2} +_6 H = \{\bar{2}, \bar{5}\}$$

$$\bar{3} +_6 H = \{\bar{3}, \bar{0}\}$$

$$\bar{4} +_6 H = \{\bar{4}, \bar{1}\}$$

$$\bar{5} +_6 H = \{\bar{5}, \bar{2}\}$$

\therefore All the cosets of H are : $\{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\}$, $\{\bar{1}, \bar{4}\}$, $\{\bar{2}, \bar{5}\}$ and since $(Z_6, +_6)$ is abelian group, then the left coset is equal the right coset.

Example (18):(H.W.)

In (S_3, \circ) , let $H = \{f_1, f_4\}$. Find the partitions of S_3 into left cosets of H and the partitions into right cosets of H.

Definition (10): Let $(H, *)$ be a subgroup of a group $(G, *)$. The number of left cosets or right cosets of H in G is called the index of H in G and denoted by $[G:H]$.

Remark (5): If $(G, *)$ is a finite group. Then $[G:H] = \frac{o(G)}{o(H)}$.

Example (19): $(S_3, \circ), H = \{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$

$$\therefore [S_3:H] = \frac{o(S_3)}{o(H)} = \frac{6}{3} = 2.$$

Example (20): $(Z_6, +_6), H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{3}\}$

$$\therefore [Z_6:H] = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

Theorem (14): (Lagrange Theorem)

Let H be a subgroup of a finite group $(G, *)$. Then the order of H is a divisor of the order of G .

Proof:

Let G be a finite group $\exists o(G)=n$ and H be a subgroup of $G \exists o(H)=m$.

$T.P.o(H) | o(G)$ (T.P. $m|n$, $n=mk$)

Since G is finite $\Rightarrow [G:H] = k$

Let $a_1 * H, a_2 * H, \dots, a_k * H$ are left cosets of H

$a_1 * H \cup a_2 * H \cup \dots \cup a_k * H = G$ and

$a_i * H \cap a_j * H = \emptyset$

$$o(a_1 * H) + o(a_2 * H) + \dots + o(a_k * H) = o(G)$$

$$\underbrace{m + m + \dots + m}_{k-\text{times}} = n$$

$$mk = n \Rightarrow m|n \Rightarrow o(H) | o(G)$$

Corollary (1): If $(G, *)$ is finite group, then the order of any element of G divides the order of G.

Proof:

Suppose that $(G, *)$ is finite $\exists o(G) = n$.

Let $a \in G \Rightarrow a$ is finite order such that $o(a) = m \quad T.P.o(a) | o(G)$.

Since $a \in G \Rightarrow H = \langle a \rangle$ cyclic group.

$$H = \{a, a^2, \dots, a^m = e\}$$

$o(H) = o(a) = m \Rightarrow o(H) | o(G)$ (by Lagrange theorem)

$$\therefore o(a) | o(G)$$

Corollary (2): If $(G, *)$ is a finite group, then $a^{o(G)} = e \quad \forall a \in G$.

Proof:

Suppose that $o(G) = n$, let $a \in G \exists o(a) = m$

By Corollary (1) of Lagrange theorem $\Rightarrow o(a) | o(G)$

$$\Rightarrow m | n$$

$$\Rightarrow n = mk$$

$$a^{o(G)} = a^n = (a^m)^k = e^k = e$$

$$\therefore a^{o(G)} = e \quad \forall a \in G.$$

Corollary (3): Every group of prime order is cyclic.

Proof: Let $(G, *)$ be finite $\exists o(G) = p$

By corollary (1) of Lagrange theorem $\Rightarrow o(a) | p \quad \forall a \in G$.

$$o(a) = 1 \text{ or } p$$

If $o(a) = 1 \Rightarrow a = e$

If $o(a) = p \Rightarrow o(a) = o(G) \Rightarrow G = \langle a \rangle$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is cyclic group

Corollary (4): Every group of order less than 6 is commutative.

Proof:

Let $(G, *)$ be a finite group $\exists o(G) < 6$

$o(G) = 1$ or 2 or 3 or 4 or 5 or 6

If $o(G) = 1 \Rightarrow G = \{e\} \Rightarrow G$ is commutative

If $o(G) = 2$ or 3 or 5

By corollary (3) of Lagrange theorem G is cyclic $\Rightarrow G$ is commutative

If $o(G) = 4$

$\therefore o(a) = 1$ or 2 or 4

If $o(a) = 1 \Rightarrow a = e$

If $o(a) = 2 \quad \forall a \in G \Rightarrow a^2 = e \Rightarrow a = a^{-1} \quad \forall a \in G$

$\therefore G$ is commutative group

If $o(a) = 4 \Rightarrow o(a) = o(G) \Rightarrow G = \langle a \rangle$

$\therefore G$ is cyclic $\Rightarrow G$ is commutative group.

Exercises:

(1) Find all subgroupsof $(Z_5, +_5)$.

(2) Let $(Z_8, +_8)$ be a group and $H = \langle \bar{2} \rangle$. Is H a subgroup of Z_8 ?

(3) If $H = \{\bar{0}, \bar{6}, \bar{12}, \bar{18}\}$, show that $(H, +_{24})$ is a cyclic subgroupof $(Z_{24}, +_{24})$. Also list the elements of each coset of H in Z_{24} .