

Assignment 7

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$$\therefore (i) Z(G) = \{ z \in G : zg = gz \ \forall g \in G \}$$

for $z \in Z(G)$ and $g \in G$,

$$zg = gz \Rightarrow gzg^{-1} = z \in Z(G) \quad \forall g \in G, z \in Z(G)$$

$\Rightarrow Z(G)$ is a normal subgroup of G .

elements of the quotient group $G/Z(G)$ are of the form $Z(G)g, g \in G$.

$$(ii) [G, G] = \langle aba^{-1}b^{-1} : a, b \in G \rangle$$

= subgroup of G generated by elts of the form $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$ for $a, b \in G$.

To show: $[G, G]$ is a normal subgroup of G , it is sufficient to prove that for $a, b \in G$, and any $g \in G$,

$$gaba^{-1}b^{-1}g^{-1} \in [G, G]$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} gaba^{-1}b^{-1}g^{-1} &= ga(g^{-1}g)b(g^{-1}g)a^{-1}(g^{-1}g)b^{-1}(g^{-1}g)g^{-1} \\ &= (gag^{-1})(gbg^{-1})(ga^{-1}g^{-1})(gb^{-1}g^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

By closure in G , for $a, g, b \in G$,

$$A = gag^{-1}, B = gbg^{-1} \in G, \text{ and } ga^{-1}g^{-1} = (gag^{-1})^{-1} \\ gb^{-1}g^{-1} = (gbg^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore g a b a^{-1} a^{-1} b^{-1} g^{-1} \\ = A B A^{-1} B^{-1} \in [G, G]. \end{aligned}$$

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$\therefore [G, G]$ is normal in G .

Claim: $\frac{G}{[G, G]}$ is abelian.

~~Let~~ Any elt of $G/[G, G]$ is $a[G, G]$.

Consider $a[G, G] \cdot b[G, G]$

$$= ab[G, G] \quad (\because [G, G] \trianglelefteq G)$$

$$\del{a^{-1}b^{-1}} = (ba)(ba)^{-1}(ab)[G, G]$$

~~Let~~

$$= (ba)(a^{-1}b^{-1})(ab)[G, G]$$

$$= ba(a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G] \quad \text{--- } (*)$$

Note $a^{-1}b^{-1}ab \in [G, G]$

$$\therefore (a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G] = [G, G].$$

From $(*)$ we get

$$\therefore a[G, G] \cdot b[G, G] = (ba)(a^{-1}b^{-1}ab)[G, G]$$

$$= (ba)[G, G]$$

$$= b[G, G] \cdot a[G, G]$$

($\because [G, G] \trianglelefteq G$).

this proves that the quotient group

$G/[G, G]$ is abelian.

2. (i) Suppose K is normal in G and K is a subgroup of a normal subgroup N of G .

Then K is normal in N .

This is clear, since $K \trianglelefteq G \therefore gkg^{-1} \in K$
for all $g \in G, k \in K$.

In particular for $n \in N$ and $k \in K, nkn^{-1} \in K$,
which implies that K is normal in N .

However if K is normal in N , and N is normal in G then K need not be normal in G .

For example

$$N = \{ (12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(32), e \}$$

is a normal subgroup of $G = S_4$, and

$$K = \{ e, (12)(34) \} \text{ is a normal subgroup of } N,$$

But K is not a normal subgroup of S_4 .

Check that

$$(13)K = \{ (13), (1234) \}$$

$$K(13) = \{ (13), (1432) \}$$

$\Rightarrow K(13) \neq (13)K$
Hence K is not a normal subgroup of $G = S_4$.

2(ii). Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G/N$ be the natural map (4)

$$\phi(g) = Ng.$$

Claim: ϕ is onto group homomorphism.

Any elt of G/N is of the form Ng for $g \in G$.

\therefore by definition ϕ is onto.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \phi(g_1 g_2) &= Ng_1 g_2 \\ &= Ng_1 Ng_2 \quad (\because N \trianglelefteq G) \\ &= \phi(g_1) \phi(g_2). \end{aligned}$$

This shows that ϕ is an a gp homomorphism.

$$\text{Kernel } \phi = \{g \in G \mid \phi(g) = e_{G/N}\}$$

The identity element of G/N is N .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \phi(g) = e_{G/N} &\Rightarrow \phi(g) = N \\ &\Rightarrow Ng = N \Rightarrow g \in N. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Ker } \phi \subseteq N.$$

On the other hand if $n \in N$, $\phi(n) = Nn = N$.

$$\Rightarrow N \subseteq \text{Ker } \phi.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Ker } \phi = N.$$

2(iii). Let $K \trianglelefteq G$, $N \trianglelefteq G$ and let
 $\phi: G/K \rightarrow G/N$ be the natural
gp homomorphism given by
 $\phi(Kg) = Ng, \quad \forall g \in G.$

for $k_1 \in K$, $k_1 k_1^{-1} = e =$ identity element of G/K , (5)

~~But~~ and under the gp homomorphism

$$\phi(k_1) = \phi(e) = e_{G/N} = N. \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{also } \phi(k_1) = N k_1 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(1) and (2) together imply that

$$N k_1 = N \quad \forall k_1 \in K$$

$$\Rightarrow k_1 \in N \quad \text{i.e. } K \subseteq N.$$

2 iv. Let K be a subgroup of G . $N \trianglelefteq G$ (normal subgroup of G)

Claim: $NK = \{nk : n \in N, k \in K\}$ is a subgroup of G .

To prove NK is a subgroup of G , it suffices to show that if $n_1 k_1, n_2 k_2 \in NK$, then

$$n_1 k_1 (n_2 k_2)^{-1} \in NK.$$

$$\text{But } n_1 k_1 (n_2 k_2)^{-1} = n_1 k_1 k_2^{-1} n_2^{-1}.$$

$\therefore N$ is normal in G , \therefore for $k_1 k_2^{-1} \in G$,

$$(k_1 k_2^{-1})N = N(k_1 k_2^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists n' \in N \text{ s.t. } k_1 k_2^{-1} n_2^{-1} \in (k_1 k_2^{-1})N$$

$$\text{" } n' k_1 k_2^{-1} \in N k_1 k_2^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (n_1 k_1) (n_2 k_2)^{-1} = n_1 n' k_1 k_2^{-1} \in NK \quad (\because n_1, n' \in N, k_1 k_2^{-1} \in K)$$

3. G -group, $x \in G$ fixed element.

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Let $\phi_x: G \rightarrow G$ be defined by
 $g \mapsto xgx^{-1}$.

Claim: ϕ_x is a group homomorphism.

Let $g_1, g_2 \in G$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_x(g_1 g_2) &= x g_1 g_2 x^{-1} \\ &= (x g_1) \cdot (x^{-1} g_2 x) \\ &= (x g_1) (x^{-1} x) (g_2 x^{-1}) \\ &= (x g_1 x^{-1}) (x g_2 x^{-1}) \\ &= \phi_x(g_1) \phi_x(g_2).\end{aligned}$$

Hence ϕ_x is a group homomorphism.

Let $g \in \text{Ker } \phi_x$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_x(g) = e \Rightarrow x g x^{-1} = e \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

both sides of
Premultiply (1) by x^{-1} and postmultiply
by x we get

$$(x^{-1})(x g x^{-1})(x) = x^{-1} \cdot e \cdot x$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^{-1} x) g (x^{-1} x) = x^{-1} x = e$$

$$\Rightarrow g = e \quad \therefore \text{Ker } \phi_x = \{e\}.$$

This shows that the group homomorphism ϕ_x is injective.

Let $y \in G$ be an arbitrary element.

Then observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_x(x^{-1}yx) &= x(x^{-1}yx)x^{-1} \\ &= (xx^{-1})y(xx^{-1}) = y.\end{aligned}$$

\therefore for every $y \in G$, $x^{-1}yx \in G$ is s.t.
 $\phi_x(x^{-1}yx) = y$ which shows that ϕ_x is onto.

Hence $\phi_x: G \rightarrow G$ is a one-to-one, onto group homomorphism from $G \rightarrow G$. i.e. ϕ_x is an isomorphism. (An isomorphism $\phi: G \rightarrow G$ from G to itself is called an automorphism of G .)

4(i). G - group, let $L_x: G \rightarrow G$ be defined by $L_x(g) = xg$.

Let $g_1, g_2 \in G$, then

$$\begin{aligned}L_x(g_1g_2) &= xg_1g_2 = (xg_1)g_2 \\ &\neq L_x(g_1)L_x(g_2) \\ &= xg_1(xg_2).\end{aligned}$$

Hence L_x is not a group homomorphism. (3)

Let $y \in G$ be an arbitrary element.

$$\text{Then } L_x(x^{-1}y) = x(x^{-1}y) = (xx^{-1})y = y.$$

Hence L_x is an onto map. — (1)

$$\text{Let } L_x(g_1) = L_x(g_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow xg_1 = xg_2 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Pre-multiplying both sides of (2) by x^{-1} we get

$$x^{-1}(xg_1) = x^{-1}(xg_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^{-1}x)g_1 = (x^{-1}x)g_2$$

$$\Rightarrow e \cdot g_1 = e \cdot g_2 \Rightarrow g_1 = g_2$$

This shows that L_x is a one-one map. — (3)

From (1) and (3) we conclude that L_x is a bijection.

$$(ii) \text{ Let } \mathbb{L}_G = \{ L_x : x \in G \}$$

Claim: \mathbb{L}_G is a group w.r.t composition of maps.

Let $L_{x_1}, L_{x_2} \in \mathbb{L}_G$. ~~Then $L_{x_1} \circ L_{x_2} = L_{x_1 x_2}$~~

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Then for any $y \in G$,

$$L_{x_1} \circ L_{x_2}(y) = L_{x_1}(x_2 y) = (x_1 x_2) y$$

$$\therefore \text{for } x_1, x_2 \in G, \quad x_1 x_2 \in G \quad = L_{x_1 x_2}(y).$$

$\therefore L_{x_1 x_2} \in \mathbb{L}_G$. This shows that \mathbb{L}_G is closed under composition of maps.

Using associativity ~~of~~ in G it is easy to check that for $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{x_1} \circ (L_{x_2} \circ L_{x_3})(y) &= L_{x_1}(x_2 x_3 y) \\ &= x_1 (x_2 x_3) y \\ &= (x_1 x_2) x_3 y \\ &= L_{x_1 x_2}(L_{x_3} y) \\ &= (L_{x_1} \circ L_{x_2}) L_{x_3}(y) \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore (\mathbb{L}_G)$ is associative.

for $x \in G$, consider $L_{x^{-1}} \in \mathbb{L}_G$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Clearly } L_x \circ L_{x^{-1}}(y) &= x x^{-1}(y) \\ &= e \cdot y = y = (x^{-1} x) y \\ &= L_{x^{-1}} L_x(y) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_x \circ L_{x^{-1}} = L_{x^{-1}} \circ L_x = I_{\mathbb{L}_G} = I_G \quad \forall y \in G$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_e \cdot L_x(xy) &= L_e(xy) = e \cdot xy && (10) \\
 &= x \cdot ey = xy = L_x(y) \\
 &= L_x \cdot L_e(y).
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore L_e \cdot L_x = L_x = L_x \cdot L_e \quad \forall x \in G.$$

This shows that \mathbb{L}_G is a gp wrt composition of maps.

Let $L: G \longrightarrow \mathbb{L}_G$ we defined by
 $g \longmapsto Lg.$

~~Let~~ Then for $g_1, g_2 \in G,$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(g_1 g_2) &= Lg_1 g_2 = Lg_1 Lg_2 \quad (\text{by previous calculation}) \\
 &= L(g_1) L(g_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore L$ is a group homomorphism.

\therefore every elt of \mathbb{L}_G is of the form $Lg, g \in G, L$ is clearly onto.

• Suppose $L(g_1) = L(g_2)$ for some $g_1, g_2 \in G.$

$$\text{then } Lg_1 = Lg_2$$

$$\Rightarrow Lg_1(x) = Lg_2(x) \quad \forall x \in G$$

In particular for $x = e,$

$$Lg_1(e) = Lg_2(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow g_1 = g_2 \quad \therefore L \text{ is one-one.}$$

Hence $L: G \longrightarrow \underline{\underline{L}}_G$ is a one-one, onto ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾
group ~~isomorphism~~ isomorphism, which implies
that L is an ~~isomorphism~~ isomorphism of groups.

5. Let $H \leq G$ (Subgrp).

Then $Hx = Hy$ for $x, y \in G$ iff $xy^{-1} \in H$.

Suppose $Hx = Hy$

\Rightarrow The sets $Hx = \{hx : h \in H\}$ is equal
to the set $Hy = \{hy : h \in H\}$.

Hence given $hx \in Hx$, \exists some $h' \in H$

$$\text{st } hx = h'y \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Postmultiplying both sides of (1) by y^{-1}
and Premultiplying both sides of (1) by
 h^{-1} we get

$$h^{-1}(hx)y^{-1} = h^{-1}(h'y)y^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (h^{-1}h)xy^{-1} = (h^{-1}h')(yy^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow xy^{-1} = h^{-1}h'$$

$\therefore h, h' \in H$, RHS is in H .

i.e. $xy^{-1} \in H$.

Conversely, assume that $xy^{-1} \in H$. (12)

This implies that $\exists h \in H$ s.t.

$$xy^{-1} = h. \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Postmultiplying by sides of (2) by y we get,

$$(xy^{-1})y = hy$$

$$\Rightarrow x = hy. \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$\therefore hy \in Hy$, by (3) we see that $x \in Hy$.

On the other hand, since $H \leq G$, $e \in H$.

and $Hx \ni e.x = x$, which implies

that $x \in Hx \cap Hy$. --- (4)

But we know that two right cosets of H in G are either equal or they are disjoint.

Hence it follows from (4) that $Hx = Hy$.

$$\text{Let } G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : ad \neq 0, a, b, d \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{Then for } g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \in G, \quad g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -b/ad \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -b/ad \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & ax+b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{d}{ad} & -\frac{b}{ad} \\ 0 & \frac{a}{ad} \end{pmatrix} \quad (13)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{b}{d} + \frac{ax+b}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{ax}{a} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H.$$

\therefore any arbitrary elt of H is of the form $h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
and any arbitrary elt of G is of the form

$g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$, we see that $ghg^{-1} \in H \forall h \in H, g \in G.$

Hence H is a normal subgroup of G .

Now observe that

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b/d \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H.$$

Hence by 1st part we see that

$$H \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

This shows that any general element of the quotient group $G/H = \{Hg : g \in G\}$ is of the form $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$.

Let $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}, H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} \in G/H$.

Then $H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix}$

($\because H$ is normal in G)

$$= H \begin{pmatrix} ax & 0 \\ 0 & dy \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$$

(\because diagonal matrices commute)
 $= H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} = H \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{pmatrix} H \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$ ($\because H$ is normal in G)
 Hence G/H is abelian.