

Group Theory

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Revision

Homomorphism of Groups

$$\varphi: G \rightarrow H$$

φ is a homomorphism if

$$\varphi(g_1 g_2) = \varphi(g_1) \varphi(g_2)$$

$$\varphi(1_G) = 1_H$$

$$\varphi(g^{-1}) = (\varphi(g))^{-1}$$

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First Isomorphism of Groups

$$\text{Im } \varphi = \left\{ h \in H : \exists g \in G : \varphi(g) = h \right\}$$

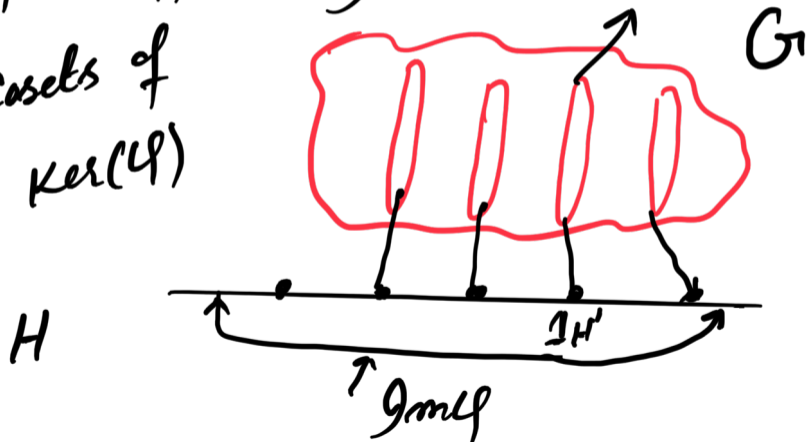
$$\text{Ker } \varphi = \left\{ g \in G : \varphi(g) = 1_H \right\} \cong G.$$

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First Isomorphism Theorem:

$$G/\ker(\varphi) \cong \text{Im}(\varphi)$$

Cosets of $\ker(\varphi)$



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Second Isomorphism of Groups

Suppose G is a group. $H \trianglelefteq G$, $K \trianglelefteq G$
 $K \subseteq H \subseteq G$

$$i) \quad K \trianglelefteq H$$

$$gkg^{-1} \in K \quad \forall g \in G$$

$$hkh^{-1} \in K \quad \text{as } K \trianglelefteq H$$

$\forall h \in H$

$$(ii) \quad H/K \trianglelefteq G/K$$

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Second Isomorphism Theorem:

$$\varphi: G/K \rightarrow G/H = \text{Im}(\varphi)$$

$$\varphi: Kg \mapsto Hg$$

$$\text{Ker}\varphi = H/K$$

φ is well-defined
 φ is a homomorphism
 φ is surjective

$$G/K / H/K \cong G/H$$

$$\text{Im}\varphi = G/H$$

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Third Isomorphism of Groups

G -group, $H \leq G$, $N \trianglelefteq G$

$$HN = \{ hn : h \in H, n \in N \} \leq G$$

i) $N \trianglelefteq HN$

ii) $H \cap N \trianglelefteq H$

iii) $H/H \cap N \cong HN/N$

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Example:

$$G = \mathcal{U}_{56}$$

$$H_1 = \{1, 5, 9, 13, 25, 45\}$$

$$H_2 = \{1, 3, 9, 19, 25, 17\}$$

calculate $|H_1 H_2|$

$$G = \mathcal{U}_{13}$$

$$H = \langle 4 \rangle$$

$$NI = \langle 5 \rangle$$

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$$H \cap N = ?$$

$$H = \{1, 4, 3, 12, 9, 10\}$$

$$N = \{1, 5, 12, 8\}$$

$$H \cap N = \{1, 12\} \quad |H \cap N| = 12 = 2 \cdot 13$$

Revision

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Aut}(G) &= \left\{ \varphi: G \rightarrow G, \varphi \text{ is a} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{group homomorphism} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \varphi, \text{id}, \varphi, \varphi', \dots \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Automorphism Groups

Definition

An **automorphism** of G is an isomorphism from G to G . The **automorphism group** of G is the set of all automorphisms of G , written as $\text{Aut}(G)$.

Example: $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$ $\text{id}: x \mapsto x$

φ is a homomorphism

$$\varphi(g_1 g_2) = \varphi(g_1) \varphi(g_2)$$

$$\varphi(I_G) = I_G$$

$$\varphi(g^{-1}) = (\varphi(g))^{-1}$$

$$\text{id}: g_1 \mapsto g_1,$$

$$\text{id}(g_1) = g_1$$

Automorphism Groups

$(\varphi \circ \varphi')(g) = \text{id}$ if φ & φ' are
inverse of
each other.

$$\varphi \circ \varphi'(g) = \varphi(\varphi'(g)) = \varphi(\varphi'(g)) = \text{id}$$

usually we have

$$\varphi \circ \varphi^{-1} = \text{id} = \varphi^{-1} \circ \varphi$$

1) $\text{id}: G \rightarrow G$, $\text{Aut}(G)$ is non-empty

2) $\varphi, \psi \in \text{Aut}(G)$, we want to show
 $(\varphi \circ \psi^{-1}) \in \text{Aut}(G)$

$f, g \in G$:

$$(\varphi \circ \psi^{-1})(fg) = \varphi(\psi^{-1}(fg))$$

$$= \varphi(\psi^{-1}(f) \psi^{-1}(g))$$

$$= \varphi(\psi^{-1}(f)) \varphi(\psi^{-1}(g))$$

$\therefore \varphi$ is a homomorphism.

$\varphi, \psi \in \text{Aut}(G)$

$$(\varphi \circ \psi)(f) = \varphi(\psi(f)) \in \text{Aut}(G)$$

Automorphism Groups

Lemma

Suppose $g \in G$, and define $\rho_g : G \rightarrow G$ by $\rho_g(h) = ghg^{-1}$. Then ρ_g is an automorphism of G .

Proof: $f_g(h) = ghg^{-1} \in G, \quad g, h \in G, \quad f_g : G \rightarrow G$
 $= ghg^{-1} = g_2 \in G$
 $\Rightarrow f_g \in \text{Aut}(G)$

Let $h, k \in G$

$$f_g(hk) = ghkg^{-1} = ghg^{-1}ghk^{-1} = f_g(h)f_g(k)$$

Automorphism Groups

Definition

An automorphism of G is called an *inner* automorphism if it has the form ρ_g for some $g \in G$. The **inner automorphism group** of G (written $\text{Inn}(G)$) is the set of all inner automorphisms of G .

Definition: Now recall that $Z(G)$ denotes the centre of G , i.e.

$$Z(G) = \{g \in G : gh = hg \text{ for all } h \in G\}.$$

Example: $G = C_4 = \{1, \sigma, \sigma^2, \sigma^3\}$

$$\text{Aut}(C_4) = \{ \text{id}, \text{Imv} \}$$

$$\text{Imv}: \left. \begin{array}{l} z \mapsto z^3 \\ z^2 \mapsto z^2 \\ 1 \mapsto 1 \\ z^3 \mapsto z \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}) = \{ \text{id}, -n \}$$

$$\text{Aut}(C_4) \cong C_2$$

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z})$$

$$\varphi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \varphi(a+b) \\ = a+b \end{array} \right.$$

$$\varphi(a+b) = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b)$$

$$\varphi(a+b) = -(a+b) = -a-b \\ = \varphi(a) + \varphi(b).$$

Automorphism Groups

Proposition

$\text{Aut}(G)$ is a group under composition.

Lemma

Suppose $g \in G$, and define $\rho_g : G \rightarrow G$ by $\rho_g(h) = ghg^{-1}$. Then ρ_g is an automorphism of G .

we have seen this above.

Automorphism Groups

Example: Take $G = \mathcal{C}_4 = \{1, z, z^2, z^3\}$. An automorphism ϕ of \mathcal{C}_4 is determined by what it does to z (because if $\phi(z) = h$, then $\phi(z^a) = h^a$ for all a). If we take $\phi(z) = 1$ or z^2 , then we'll have $\phi(z^2) = 1$; but then ϕ is not injective, because $\phi(1) = 1$ too. So the only possibilities are $\phi(z) = z$ and $\phi(z) = z^3$. And both of these work: the first one is just the identity map, and the second is the automorphism which sends every element to its inverse.

So $\text{Aut}\mathcal{C}_4 = \{id, \phi\}$, where $\phi(z) = z^3$. Observe that $\phi(\phi(z)) = \phi(z^3) = z^9 = z$, so $\phi \circ \phi = id$. So $\text{Aut}\mathcal{C}_4$ has the following Cayley table.

	<i>id</i>	ϕ
<i>id</i>	<i>id</i>	ϕ
ϕ	ϕ	<i>id</i>

Automorphisms Groups

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Example:

$$G = Q_8 = \{ \pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k \}$$



$$\begin{aligned} ij &= k \\ jk &= i \\ ki &= j \end{aligned}$$

$$f_i(1) = i \cdot 1 \cdot \bar{i}^{-1} = \bar{i}(1)(-i) = 1$$

$$f_i(-1) = i(-1)\bar{i}^{-1} = i \cdot (-1)(-i) = -1$$

$$f_i(j) = i \cdot j \cdot (-i) = -j$$

$$f_i(-j) = i(-j)(-i) = j$$

$$f_i(k) = i \cdot k \cdot (-i) = -k$$

$$f_i(-k) = i(-k)(-i) =$$

$$f_i(j \cdot \bar{i}) = f_i(j) \cdot f_i(\bar{i})$$

Outer Automorphism of Groups

Tutorial:

$$C_G(A) = \left\{ x \in G \mid xa = ax \text{ for all } a \in A \right\}$$

$$D_{10} = \left\{ 1, r, r^2, r^3, r^4, \dots \right\}$$

Outer Automorphism of Groups

Outer automorphism

The **outer automorphism group** of G is the quotient $\text{Out}G = \text{Aut}(G)/\text{Inn}(G)$.

$$r^2 s = s \cdot r^2$$

$$r^2 (r \cdot s) = (r \cdot s) r^2$$

calculate the centre of D_{10}

Normal Subgroups of S_3

Consider S_3 , find out the normal
subgroup of S_3

$$A_3 = \{ e, (123), (132) \}$$

$$S_3 = \{ e, (12), (13), (23), (123), (132) \}$$

J_n S_9

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & 8 & 5 & 9 & 6 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 4 & 1 & 6 & 3 & 8 & 2 & 7 & 5 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

i) Disjoint cycles,

ii) orders of permutation

iii) $g = h f h^{-1}$

iv) conjugate elements

v) $f, h \in A_n$ or not.

$f, g, h \in A_n$

H_1 & H_2

$H_1 H_2 \neq H_2 H_1$

D_{10} find the Contrateses
of D_{10} .

Outer Automorphism of Groups

Example: Let's see an outer automorphism of \mathcal{D}_8 . Let t denote rotation through 45° clockwise about the centre of the square, and define $\phi : \mathcal{D}_8 \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_8$ by $g \mapsto tgt^{-1}$.

Then we get

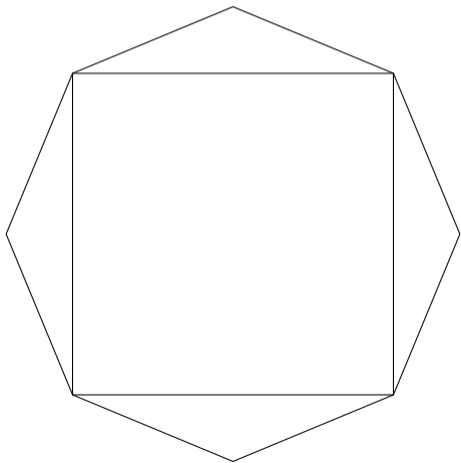
$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\longmapsto 1, & r &\longmapsto r, \\ r^2 &\longmapsto r^2, & r^3 &\longmapsto r^3, \\ s &\longmapsto rs, & rs &\longmapsto r^2s, \\ r^2s &\longmapsto r^3s, & r^3s &\longmapsto s, \end{aligned}$$

so ϕ is a bijection from \mathcal{D}_8 to \mathcal{D}_8 . The fact that ϕ is a homomorphism is the same as the proof of Lemma 4.7. So $\phi \in \text{Aut}(G)$. ϕ cannot be an inner automorphism, because an inner automorphism maps each element to a conjugate element, whereas $\phi(s) = rs \not\sim_{\mathcal{D}_8} s$.

Automorphisms of Groups

In fact $|Aut\mathcal{D}_8| = 8$, and from Theorem 4.8 $|Inn\mathcal{D}_8| = 4$. So $|Out\mathcal{D}_8| = 2$, and hence $Out\mathcal{D}_8 = \{Inn\mathcal{D}_8 id, Inn\mathcal{D}_8\phi\}$.

To see where ϕ comes from, consider the following picture.



We see that the automorphism ϕ is the reflection of the square across the line passing through the midpoints of the top and bottom sides.

Automorphisms of Groups

We can see that every symmetry of the square gives a symmetry of the octagon, which means that $\mathcal{D}_8 \leq \mathcal{D}_{16}$. In fact, $\mathcal{D}_8 \trianglelefteq \mathcal{D}_{16}$ because $|\mathcal{D}_{16} : \mathcal{D}_8| = 2$. t is an element of \mathcal{D}_{16} , so there is an inner automorphism of \mathcal{D}_{16} which maps $g \mapsto tgt^{-1}$ for every g . ϕ is just the restriction of this inner automorphism to \mathcal{D}_8 .

Exams Style Questions

Question: Let $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ a homomorphism.

(i) If $H_2 \trianglelefteq G_2$, then $\phi^{-1}(H_2) \trianglelefteq G_1$.

(ii) If $H_1 \trianglelefteq G_1$ and ϕ is an epimorphism then $\phi(H_1) \trianglelefteq G_2$.

Proof (i) If $x \in \phi^{-1}(H_2)$ and $a \in G_1$, then $\phi(x) \in H_2$ and so

$\phi(axa^{-1}) = \phi(a)\phi(x)\phi(a)^{-1} \in H_2$ since H_2 is normal. We conclude $axa^{-1} \in \phi^{-1}(H_2)$.

(ii) Since H_1 is normal, we have $\phi(a)\phi(H_1)\phi(a)^{-1} \subseteq \phi(H_1)$. Since we assume ϕ is surjective, every $b \in G_2$ can be written as $b = \phi(a)$, $a \in G_1$. Therefore $b\phi(H_1)b^{-1} \in \phi(H_1)$.

Remarks: Note that with the choice $H_2 = \{e\}$ the theorem says that $\ker\phi \trianglelefteq G_1$.

QMplus Quiz

Attempt Quiz 8 at QMplus page

Some Useful Notations

Throughout this course, we use the following notation.

- C_n denotes the cyclic group of order n .
- Klein group often symbolized by the letter \mathcal{V}_4 or as $K_4 = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ denotes the group $\{1, a, b, c\}$, with group operation given by

$$a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = 1, \quad ab = ba = c, \quad ac = ca = b, \quad bc = cb = a.$$

- \mathcal{U}_n is the set of integers between 0 and n which are prime to n , with the group operation being multiplication modulo n .

Some Useful Notations

- \mathcal{D}_{2n} is the group with $2n$ elements

$$1, r, r^2, \dots, r^{n-1}, s, rs, r^2s, \dots, r^{n-1}s.$$

The group operation is determined by the relations $r^n = s^2 = 1$ and $sr = r^{n-1}s$.

- \mathcal{S}_n denotes the group of all permutations of $\{1, \dots, n\}$, with the group operation being composition.
- $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ is the group of $n \times n$ invertible matrices with entries in \mathbb{R} , with the group operation being matrix multiplication.
- \mathcal{Q}_8 is the group $\{1, -1, i, -i, j, -j, k, -k\}$, in which

$$i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1, \quad ij = k, \quad jk = i, \quad ki = j, \quad ji = -k, \quad kj = -i, \quad ik = -j.$$