

# SOLUTION TO LECTURE 13 PROBLEMS 49 - 52

P49  $Q = \{1, -1, i, -i, j, -j, k, -k\}$   $\begin{matrix} i \\ \curvearrowleft \\ k \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} j \\ \curvearrowleft \\ j \end{matrix}$

Find homomorphism, well isomorphism from  $Q \rightarrow$  subgroup of  $S_8'$  by examining left-multiplications of  $Q$ .

l<sub>-1</sub>  $1 \mapsto -1, \quad i \mapsto -i, \quad j \mapsto -j, \quad k \mapsto -k$

(12)

(34)

(56)

(78)

so  $l_{-1} \leftrightarrow (12)(34)(56)(78)$ .

l<sub>i</sub>  $1 \mapsto i \mapsto -1 \mapsto -i$   
 $j \mapsto k \mapsto -j \mapsto -k \quad l_i \leftrightarrow (1324)(57:68)$

l<sub>-i</sub> Note  $l_{-i} l_i = l_{-i^2} = l_1 \Rightarrow l_{-i} = l_i^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{so}} (4231)(8675)$

l<sub>j</sub>  $1 \mapsto j \mapsto -1 \mapsto -j \quad l_j \leftrightarrow (1526)(3847)$   
 $i \mapsto -k \mapsto -i \mapsto k$

l<sub>-j</sub> since  $l_{-j} = (l_j)^{-1} \rightarrow (6251)(7483)$

l<sub>k</sub>  $1 \mapsto k \mapsto -1 \mapsto -k \rightarrow (1728)(3546)$   
 $i \mapsto +j \mapsto -i \mapsto -j$

$l_{-k} = (l_k)^{-1} \rightarrow (8271)(6453)$ .

In summary, these calculations support the homomorphism  $\alpha \rightarrow l_\alpha \rightarrow$  cycle in  $S_8$  corresponding to  $l_\alpha$

$$Q \approx H = \{(1), (12)(34)(56)(78), (1324)(5768), (4231), (8675)$$

$$(1526)(3847), (6251)(7483), (1728)(3546),$$

$$(8271)(6453)\} \subset S_8$$

P50 Let  $H, K$  be subgroups of  $G$

(a.) Let  $H, K \trianglelefteq G$ . Consider  $x \in g(H \cap K)g^{-1}$  for some  $g \in G$ .

Note,  $x = gyg^{-1}$  where  $y \in H \cap K$  hence  $y \in H$  and  $y \in K$ .

Since  $H \trianglelefteq G$  we have  $gyg^{-1} \in gHg^{-1} \subseteq H \therefore gyg^{-1} \in H$ .

Likewise,  $K \trianglelefteq G$  thus  $gyg^{-1} \in gKg^{-1} \subseteq K \therefore gyg^{-1} \in K$

Therefore,  $gyg^{-1} \in H \cap K$  hence  $x = gyg^{-1} \in H \cap K$

which shows  $g(H \cap K)g^{-1} \subseteq H \cap K \therefore H \cap K \trianglelefteq G$ .

- (I use Th<sup>n</sup> 9.1 in Gallian for convenient characterization of normality) -

(b.) Suppose  $|G| = 36$ ,  $|H| = 12$ ,  $|K| = 18$  using Lagrange's Th<sup>n</sup>  
what are possible orders of  $H \cap K$ ?

Notice  $H \cap K \leq H \leq G$  and  $H \cap K \leq K \leq G$

thus  $|H \cap K| \mid |H| \mid |G|$  and  $|H \cap K| \mid |K| \notin |K| \mid |G|$ .

We need  $|H \cap K|$  divides both 12 and 18.

$$\Rightarrow |H \cap K| = 1, 2, 3, 6 \quad (\text{can't do } 4, 9, 12, 18)$$

PS1 Let  $H = \{1, x^3, x^6\} \subseteq D_9 = \{1, x, \dots, x^8, y, xy, \dots, x^8y\}$

Observe  $|D_9| = 18$  hence  $[D_9 : H] = \frac{18}{3} = 6$

The cosets of  $H$  in  $D_9$  are,

$$\boxed{H, xH, x^2H, yH, xyH, x^2yH} - (*)$$

Or explicitly, since  $x^{-3} = x^6$  etc...

$$\{1, x^3, x^6\}, \{x, x^4, x^7\}, \{x^2, x^5, x^8\}, \{y, yx^3, yx^6\} = \{y, x^6y, x^3y\}$$

$$, \{xy, xyx^3, xyx^6\} = \{xy, x^7y, x^4y\},$$

$$, \{x^2y, x^2yx^3, x^2yx^6\} = \{x^2y, x^8y, x^5y\}.$$

$$\text{Consider, } Hy = \{y, x^3y, x^6y\} = \cancel{yH}, yH$$

$$Hxy = \{xy, x^3xy, x^6xy\} = xyH$$

$$Hx^2y = \{x^2y, x^3x^2y, x^6x^5y\} = x^2yH$$

Likewise,  $xH = Hx$ ,  $x^2H = Hx^2$  thus  $H \trianglelefteq D_9$ .

In retrospect,  $D_9/H$  forms a group (\*).

PS2 Let  $G \neq H$  be groups.

(a.)  $\{e\} \times H = \{(e, h) \mid h \in H\}$ . Consider

$$\begin{aligned} (x, y)(\{e\} \times H) &= \{ (x, y)(e, h) \mid h \in H \} \\ &= \{ (xe, yh) \mid h \in H \} \\ &= \{ (x, k) \mid k \in H \} \end{aligned}$$

Remark: I find easier path

Can you see why  $yh$  for any  $h \in H$  gives all of  $H$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} (\{e\} \times H)(x, y) &= \{ (e, h)(x, y) \mid h \in H \} \\ &= \{ (ex, hy) \mid h \in H \} \\ &= \{ (x, k) \mid k \in H \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (x, y)(\{e\} \times H) = (\{e\} \times H)(x, y) \Rightarrow \underline{\{e\} \times H \trianglelefteq G \times H}.$$

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continued

(a.) to see  $\{e\} \times H \leq G \times H$  we can identify that  $\{e\} \times H = \text{Ker } (\pi_1)$  as  $\pi_1(x, y) = x$  has  $\pi_1(x, y) = e \Rightarrow x = e$  and  $y \in H$ .

$$\pi_1((x, y)(a, b)) = \pi_1((xa, yb)) = xa = \pi_1(x, y)\pi_1(a, b)$$

so  $\pi_1$  is a homomorphism and we conclude  $\text{Ker } (\pi_1) = \{e\} \times H \trianglelefteq G \times H$

Remark: you can skip what I did on the last page. To show  $\{e\} \times H$  normal it suffices to show it is the kernel of a homomorphism! (I should be lazier on last page)

(b.) to show  $G \times H \approx H \times G$  consider

$$\psi: G \times H \rightarrow H \times G \quad \text{def}^{\text{n}} \text{ by } \psi(g, h) = (h, g)$$

Notice, if  $(h, g) \in H \times G$  then  $\psi(g, h) = (h, g) \therefore \psi$  onto.

$$\text{Also, } \psi(x, y) = \psi(a, b) \Rightarrow (y, x) = (b, a) \Rightarrow \underline{y=b} \text{ & } \underline{x=a}$$

thus  $(x, y) = (a, b)$  and we find  $\psi$  injective. It remains to show  $\psi$  a homomorphism,

$$\begin{aligned}\psi((x, y)(a, b)) &= \psi((xa, yb)) : \text{def}^{\text{n}} \text{ of } "G \times H" \\ &= (yb, xa) : \text{def}^{\text{n}} \text{ of } \psi \\ &= (y, x)(b, a) : \text{def}^{\text{n}} \text{ of product in } H \times G \\ &= \psi(x, y)\psi(a, b) : \text{def}^{\text{n}} \text{ of } \psi\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\psi$  is a bijective homomorphism and so,  $G \times H \approx H \times G$ .