

SOLUTION TO PROBLEMS 29-32 (LECTURE 8)

$S_3$	(1)	(123)	(132)	(13)	(12)	(23)
(1)	(1)	(123)	(132)	(13)	(12)	(23)
(123)	(123)	(132)	(1)	(23)	(13)	(12)
(132)	(132)	(1)	(123)	(12)	(23)	(13)
(13)	(13)	(12)	(23)	(1)	(123)	(132)
(12)	(12)	(23)	(13)	(132)	(1)	(123)
(23)	(23)	(13)	(12)	(123)	(132)	(1)

Note,  $(132) = (321)$

so  $(123)^{-1} = (321)$ .

(correction to 1<sup>st</sup> draft of notes)

$$\begin{cases} (132)(132) = (123) \\ (13)(132) = (1)(23) = (23) \\ (12)(132) = (13)(2) = (13) \\ (23)(132) = (12)(3) = (12) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} (132)(13) = (12) \\ (12)(13) = (132) \\ (23)(13) = (32)(31) = (312) = (123) \end{cases}$$

$$(*) \begin{cases} (132)(12) = (1)(23) = (23) \\ (13)(12) = (123) \\ (12)(12) = (1) \\ (23)(12) = (132) \end{cases}$$

- P30** For  $\tau$  given below find
- (i.) disjoint-cycle presentation of  $\tau$
  - (ii.) Find inverse of  $\tau$
  - (iii.) Find order of  $\tau$
  - (iv.) write  $\tau$  as product of transpositions, is  $\tau$  even/odd?
  - (v.) conjugate  $\tau$  by  $\sigma = (123)(45)$  (ie. calculate  $\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}$ )
  - (vi.) calculate  $\tau^{99}$

(a.)  $\tau = (124)(35)(24)(132) = (153)(2)(4) (= \boxed{(153) = \tau} \text{ - (i.)})$

$$\tau^{-1} = (153)^{-1} = \boxed{(351)} \text{ (ii.)}$$

(iii.) The order of  $\tau$  is 3 since  $\tau$  is a 3-cycle and you can easily verify  $\tau^3 = (1)$  but  $\tau^2 \neq (1)$ .

(iv.)  $\tau = (153) = \boxed{(13)(15)}$  hence  $\tau$  is even.

(v.)  $\sigma = (123)(45)$

$$\sigma^{-1} = (45)^{-1}(123)^{-1} = (54)(321)$$

$$\sigma\tau\sigma^{-1} = (123)(45)(153)(45)(321)$$

$$= (124)(3)(5)$$

$$= \boxed{(124) = \sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}}$$

(vi.)  $\tau^{99} = (\tau^3)^{33} = (1)^{33} = (1). \quad \therefore \boxed{\tau^{99} = (1)}$

P30 continued ( $\tau = (1253)(254)(135)$ ) part (b.)

$$(i.) \tau = (1253)(354)(135) \quad \text{disjoint cycles.}$$
$$= (134)(25) \quad \therefore \boxed{\tau = (134)(25)}$$

$$(ii.) \tau^{-1} = ((134)(25))^{-1}$$
$$= (25)^{-1} (134)^{-1}$$
$$= \boxed{(25)(431)}$$

$$(iii.) \text{ By Ruffini, } \text{order}(\tau) = \text{lcm}(3, 2) = \boxed{6}$$

$$(iv.) \tau = (134)(25) = \boxed{(14)(13)(25) = \tau} \quad \therefore \underline{\tau \text{ is odd.}}$$

$$(v.) \sigma \tau \sigma^{-1} = (123)(45)(134)(25)(54)(321)$$
$$= \boxed{(152)(34)}$$

$$(vi.) \tau^{99} = (\tau^6)^{16} \tau^3$$
$$= \tau^3$$
$$= [(134)(25)]^3$$
$$= (134)^3 (25)^3$$
$$= (25)^3$$
$$= (25)^2 (25)$$
$$= \boxed{(25)}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 6 \overline{) 99} \\ \underline{6} \\ 39 \\ \underline{36} \\ 3 \end{array}$$

$99 = 6(16) + 3$   
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disjoint cycles commute  
hence  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$ . ( $ab = ba$   
for  $a, b \in S_n$ )

(fun.)

PROBLEM 30 continued, part (c.)

$$(i.) \tau = (12435)(134)(45) = (1524)(3) = \boxed{(1524) = \tau}$$

$$(ii.) \boxed{\tau^{-1} = (4251)}$$

(iii) order of  $\tau$  is 4 since  $\tau$  is a 4-cycle.

$$(iv.) \tau = (1524) = \boxed{(14)(12)(15) = \tau} \therefore \tau \text{ is odd.}$$

$$(v.) \sigma\tau\sigma^{-1} = (123)(45)(1524)(45)(321) \\ = (1)(2435) \\ = \boxed{(2435) = \sigma\tau\sigma^{-1}}$$

$$(vi.) \tau^{99} = \tau^{96+3} = \underbrace{\tau^4}_{(1)}^{24} \tau^3 = \tau^3$$

But,  $\tau^3\tau = (1) \therefore \tau^{-1} = \tau^3$  so,  $\boxed{\tau^{99} = (4251)}$   
 $= \underline{(1425)}$ .

P31 Gallian #10 on pg. 112 | Suppose  $S$  is finite set.

Show  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is one-one iff it is onto.

Is this claim true for  $S$  an infinite set?

Let  $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ . Suppose  $f: S \rightarrow S$  is one-one.

Since  $f(a) = f(b) \Rightarrow a = b$  we have the elements

$f(s_1), f(s_2), \dots, f(s_n)$  are distinct. Thus

$$f(S) = \{f(s_1), \dots, f(s_n)\} \subseteq S$$

and, by counting,  $f(S) = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$  (there are no other subsets of  $S$  which have  $n$ -elements except  $S$  itself).

Thus 1-1  $\Rightarrow$  onto.

Conversely, suppose  $f(S) = S$ .

If  $\exists a, b \in S$  for which  $f(a) = f(b)$  but  $a \neq b$

then  $f(S) = \{f(s_1), \dots, f(a), \widehat{f(b)}, \dots, f(s_n)\}$  has

$(n-1)$ -elements which ~~deleted from list~~

clearly  ~~$\rightarrow$~~   $f(S) = S \leftarrow$  has  $n$ -elements. Thus

$f$  is injective and we conclude  $f$  is injective iff  $f$  is surjective when  $f$  is a function on a finite set.

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The claim is false in context of infinite sets.

Notice  $\frac{d}{dx}: P[\mathbb{R}] \rightarrow P[\mathbb{R}]$  yet  $\frac{df}{dx} = \frac{dg}{dx} \not\Rightarrow f = g$

we only have  $f = g + C$ . There are many examples.

P32 Gallian exercise #35 pg. 113

How many elements of order 5 are there in  $A_6$ ?

$A_6 \leq S_6$  it is set of even permutations on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ .

An element of order 5 is a 5-cycle. We cannot form it from product of smaller cycles. Ruffini would need  $a, b$  s.t.  $\text{lcm}(a, b) = 5$  but this requires  $a=1$  or  $b=1$ . Furthermore,  $\alpha = (a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5)$  a 5-cycle gives,

$$\alpha = (a_1 a_5)(a_1 a_4)(a_1 a_3)(a_1 a_2) \in A_6$$

as  $\alpha$  is an even permutation. It remains to count how many 5-cycles are in  $S_6$ ,

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} (a & b & c & d & e) \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 6 & 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & \text{choices} \end{array}$$

But,  $(abcde) = (bcdea) = (cdeab) = (deabc) = (eabcd)$

hence the above overcounts. In summary,

$$\frac{6 \cdot 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}{5} = 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = \boxed{144 \text{ elements of order 5 in } A_6}$$

Same counting for 2-cycles in  $S_6$  would be  $\frac{6 \cdot 5}{2} = 15$ . Those are:  $(12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (23), (24), (25), (26), (34), (35), (36), (45), (46), (56)$ .