

Algebra 1 Lecture 3: Normalizers, Centralizers, Isomorphism

Last time: $Z(G) =$ set of elts commuting w everything.

More generally: ^{center} Centralizer: $\emptyset \neq A \subseteq G$

$$C_G(A) = \{g \mid gag^{-1} = a \forall a \in A\}$$

Note: $gag^{-1} = a \Leftrightarrow ga = ag$

Fixed under conjugation

Set of elts commuting w A .

Prop: $C_G(A) \leq G$

Pf: $e \in C_G(A) \Rightarrow C_G(A) \neq \emptyset$.

~~$(gag^{-1})^{-1} = g^{-1}a^{-1}g$~~
 ~~$g \in C_G(A) \Rightarrow gag^{-1} = a \Rightarrow ga = g^{-1}ag \Rightarrow g^{-1} \in C_G(A)$~~
Closed under $(\)^{-1}$

$g, h \in C_G(A) \Rightarrow ghah^{-1}g^{-1} = gag^{-1} = a \Rightarrow gh \in C_G(A)$

Notation: $C_G(a) = C_G(\{a\})$

Note: $\langle a \rangle \leq C_G(a)$.

Also, $C_G(G) = Z(G)$, so in particular $Z(G) \leq G$.

(but we already saw $Z(G) \leq G$)

Def: The normalizer of A in G is

$$N_G(A) = \{g \in G \mid gAg^{-1} = A\}$$

It is a subgroup too (exercise).

This is a weaker condition, so

$$C_G(A) \leq N_G(A)$$

Corollary: $H, K \leq G$. $H \leq N_G(K) \Rightarrow HK \leq G$.

In particular, if $K \leq G$ (i.e., $N_G(K) = G$), then $HK \leq G$.

P1: $HK \leq G \stackrel{(\text{last time})}{\iff} HK = KH.$

Now, if $H \leq N_G(K),$

then $hk = hkh^{-1} \stackrel{h^{-1}kh \in K}{\in} KH$
 $kh = h^{-1}kh \in KH \Rightarrow HK = KH.$

In terms of actions: (more on these later)

Def A gp. action of G on a set A is a $f: G \times A \rightarrow A$
 s.t.
 1) $g_1(g_2 \cdot a) = (g_1 g_2) \cdot a \quad \forall g_1, g_2 \in G, a \in A$ (compatible w gp. action structure)
 2) $e \cdot a = a \quad \forall a \in A$

G acts on g by conjugation action:

$$g \cdot h = ghg^{-1}$$

Ex: Check this is a gp. action:

e.g: $(g_1 g_2) \cdot h = g_1 g_2 h g_2^{-1} g_1^{-1} = g_1 (g_2 \cdot h) g_1^{-1} = g_1 \cdot (g_2 \cdot h)$
 $e \cdot h = e h e^{-1} = h.$

Stabilizers: $G \curvearrowright A$. " G acts on A "

for $a \in A$, $G_a = \{g \in G \mid g \cdot a = a\}$ fixes a .

Ex: G_S is a sub $G_S \leq G$.

kernel: $\{g \in G \mid g \cdot s = s \quad \forall s \in S\}$ acts trivially

Ex: $G \curvearrowright G$ by conj.
 kernel = $Z(G).$

Ex: $N_G(A)$ acts on A by conjugation (by def of N_G , $N_G(A) \times A \rightarrow A$ stays inside).
 kernel is $Z_G(A).$

Ex: $GD 2^6$ conjugation

stat: $G_A = N_{AG}(A)$

Cyclic gps. Already saw them, a few more

Ex. $|x| = n < \infty$, then $|x^a| = \frac{n}{(n, a)}$
 (same as last time or this already)
 Set $y = x^a$, $(n, a) = d$, $n = db$, $a = dc$
 as $d = (n, a)$, $(b, c) = 1$.
 We want $|y| = b$.
 $y^b = x^{ab} = x^{dcb} = x^{nc} = 1^c = 1 \Rightarrow |y| \mid b$.
 Say $|y| = k$. Then $x^{ak} = y^k = 1 \Rightarrow n \mid ak$, or $db \mid dc k$
 $\Rightarrow b \mid ck$. As $(b, c) = 1$, $b \mid k$. So $b \mid k$ and $k \mid b \Rightarrow b = k$.
 (obvious \approx ! Set one gen to another, extend by (n, a) , Conjugation)

Ex: If $x^m = 1$, then $|x| \mid m$.

Pf: Use Euclidean alg. (lets in our of that)
 $|x| = n$: $m = nq + r$, $x^{nq+r} = x^r$, $r < n \Rightarrow r \in \langle x \rangle$.
 So any if $G = \langle g \rangle$, $(a, n) = 1$, then $G = \langle g^a \rangle$ all cyclics are \cong

\Rightarrow # of generators is $\phi(n)$.

Exercise: Subgps, ^{quotients} of quotients of cyclic gps are cyclic.

Well ordered / Euclidean division

more generally:

Prop Groups gen. by sets. (saw roughly already)

$A \subseteq G$ $\langle A \rangle = \{a_1^{\epsilon_1} \dots a_k^{\epsilon_k} \mid a_i \in A, \epsilon_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.

This is the smallest subgrp containing A .

Lemma: $\langle A \rangle = \bigcap_{\substack{H \leq G \\ A \subseteq H}} H =: \bar{A}$

Pf: We have seen that both are ^{sub}groups.

$A \subseteq \langle A \rangle$ (is a single elt. in a product)
 $\Rightarrow \bar{A} \subseteq \langle A \rangle$ (def of intersection).
 $a = a'$

cut?

Now \bar{A}

\bar{A} is a gp. containing A , and closed under products, inverses.
 $\Rightarrow \langle A \rangle \subseteq \bar{A} \Rightarrow \langle A \rangle = \bar{A}$.

Ex: On HW, you will see $N = \langle x^{-1}y^{-1}xy \mid x, y \in G \rangle$
 the commutator subgp. ... This is the largest smallest subgp.

$yx = xy \Leftrightarrow y^{-1}x^{-1}yx = 1$

cut?

Lattice of subgp:

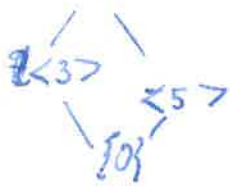
such that G/N the abelianization is a quotient as the 30 thru will show

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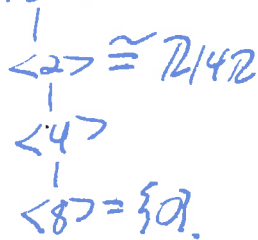
Useful notation/pictures. Make a Poset of subgps of G .

$H \leq G$ if ... $H \leq G!$

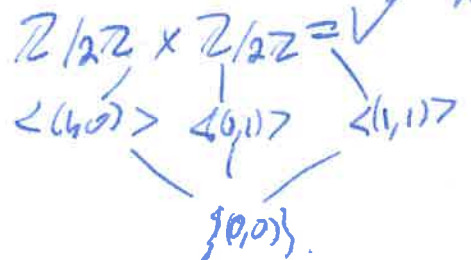
Ex: $\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$



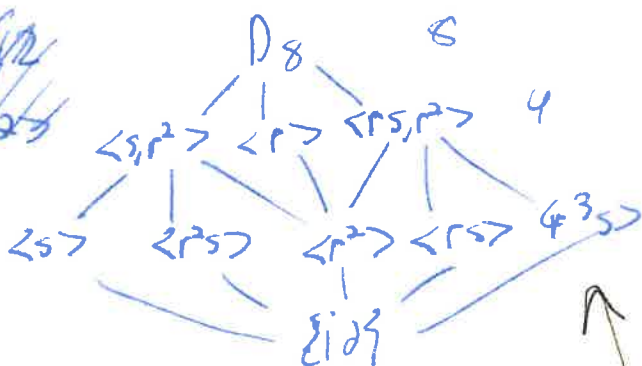
$\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$



Klein Viergruppen



$\mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$



2 call reflectors, r^2

learn poset!

Isomorphism Thm:

[we did a lot of group work already!]

1st Iso Thm: $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ same before: $\varphi(G) \leq H$
 $\ker(\varphi) \trianglelefteq G$.

$$G/\ker(\varphi) \cong \varphi(G)$$

[Book makes exercise!]

1st: Let $\bar{\varphi}: G/\ker(\varphi) \rightarrow \varphi(G)$ Try the only natural thing!
 $g\ker(\varphi) \mapsto \varphi(g)$

Well-defined: ~~if~~ change g to gk , $k \in \ker(\varphi)$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(gk) = \varphi(g)\varphi(k) = \varphi(g) \cdot 1 = \varphi(g) \checkmark$$

now: $\bar{\varphi}(g\ker(\varphi)h\ker(\varphi)) = \bar{\varphi}(gh\ker(\varphi)) = \varphi(gh) = \varphi(g)\varphi(h)$

inj: $\varphi(g) = \varphi(h) \Rightarrow \bar{\varphi}(g\ker(\varphi)) = \bar{\varphi}(h\ker(\varphi))$

or check kernel: $\bar{\varphi}(g\ker(\varphi)) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(g) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \varphi(gh^{-1}) = 1 \Leftrightarrow gh^{-1} \in \ker(\varphi)$

surj: If $h \in \ker(\varphi)$, then $g\ker(\varphi) = h\ker(\varphi)$ related
 \Rightarrow sur $h = \varphi(g) \Rightarrow h = \bar{\varphi}(g\ker(\varphi))$

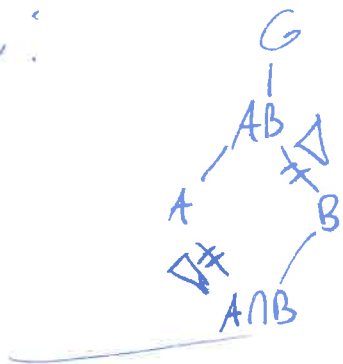
Note: This is like the rank-nullity theorem:

$$\frac{|G|}{|\ker(\varphi)|} = |\varphi(G)| \Leftrightarrow \dim V = \text{rank} + \text{null. } \varphi$$

2nd (Diamond) Iso Thm: $A, B \leq G, A \leq N_G(B)$

$$\Rightarrow A \cdot B \trianglelefteq AB, A \cap B \trianglelefteq A, AB/B \cong A/A \cap B \quad (\text{we saw that } AB \leq G \text{ already})$$

Picture:



Pf: $B \trianglelefteq N_G(B)$ is clear, and assumed $A \trianglelefteq N_G(B) \Rightarrow AB \trianglelefteq N_G(B)$
 $\Rightarrow B \trianglelefteq AB$. Thus, we can consider AB/B .

$\varphi: A \rightarrow AB/B$ (N.B: This is restriction of proj. tr: $AB \rightarrow AB/B$ to A)
 $a \mapsto aB$.

hom: $\varphi(a_1 a_2) = \varphi(a_1 a_2) = a_1 B a_2 B = a_1 a_2 B = \varphi(a_1) \varphi(a_2)$

surj: if $abB = aB \in AB/B$, a maps to it.

~~ker~~ $\ker(\varphi) = \{a \in A \mid aB = B\} = \{a \in A \mid a \in B\} = A \cap B$

$\Rightarrow A \cap B \trianglelefteq A$, and by 1st iso thm,

$$A/A \cap B \cong AB/B$$

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Next time. Make exercise? Just sketch
 3rd Iso Th: $H, K \trianglelefteq G, H \leq K$

Can "cancel" $(G/H)/(K/H) \cong G/K$

Denoting \cdot/H by \cdot , $G/K \cong G/K$

Pf: $\varphi: G/H \rightarrow G/K$ (only choice!) ask them: what would you try?
 $gH \mapsto gK$

Well-defined: send $g \mapsto gh$

$$\varphi(gh) = ghK = gK = \varphi(g) \text{ as } h \in K$$

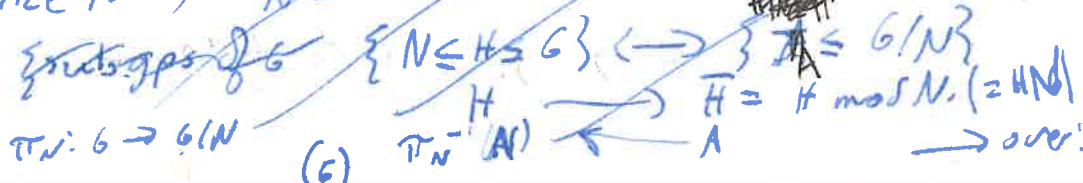
hom: $\varphi(gg') = gg'K = gKg'K = \varphi(g) \varphi(g')$

surj: $gK \leftarrow gH$
 arb.

$\ker(\varphi) = \{gH \mid gK = K\} = \{gH \mid g \in K\} = K/H$ (which implies $K/H \trianglelefteq G/H$)

1st iso $\Rightarrow (G/H)/(K/H) \cong G/K$

4th Iso Th: (Lattice Th²) $N \trianglelefteq G$. Then there is a bijective corr.



Moreover, if $N \leq A, B$:

$$A \leq B \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \leq \bar{B},$$

$$A \leq G \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \leq \bar{G}.$$

P1: Next time.

... A few other properties in the book -- like about indices, generating sets.

Th² (4th isomorphism) $N \trianglelefteq G$:
Lattice Th²

there is a bijective corr.

$$\{N \leq H \leq G\} \leftrightarrow \{A \leq G/N\}.$$

$$H \longmapsto \bar{H} := H/N \quad (\text{image of } H \text{ in natural pres.})$$

$$\pi_N^{-1}(A) \longleftarrow A$$

$$\pi_N: G \rightarrow G/N.$$

Moreover 1) if $N \leq A, B$,

$$A \leq B \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \leq \bar{B}$$

$$2) A \leq G \Leftrightarrow \bar{A} \leq \bar{G}$$

... a few other properties in book, like about indices, gen. sets.

P2) Skip -- like book does...

lets see a proof!