

Every Group is isomorphic to a group of permutations

Ex) $\mathbb{Z}_3 \cong G = \{ (0), (012), (021) \}$

$(012)(012) = (021)$

\mathbb{Z}_3	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	2	0
2	2	0	1

G	(0)	(012)	(021)
(0)	(0)	(012)	(021)
(012)	(0)	(021)	(0)
(021)	(021)	(0)	(012)

Thm (Cayley's) | Every group is isomorphic to a group of permutations.

Proof:

Let G be a group, we want to construct a group of permutations, \hat{G} s.t. $G \cong \hat{G}$.

For any $g \in G$:

$$\lambda_g: G \rightarrow G$$

$$a \mapsto ga$$

Claim: $\hat{G} = \{ \lambda_g \mid g \in G \}$ forms a group of permutations (of G set)

Show λ_g is bijective $\forall g \in G$

1-1: $\lambda_g(a) = \lambda_g(b) \Rightarrow ga = gb \Rightarrow a = b \checkmark$

onto: For $a \in G \exists b = g^{-1}a$ s.t. $a = \lambda_g(b) = g \cdot (g^{-1}a) = a \checkmark$

$\therefore \tilde{G} = \{ \lambda_g \mid g \in G \}$ is a set of permutation maps $G \rightarrow G$.
 Show \tilde{G} is a group

• Check closure under composition (for $a \in G$)

$$\lambda_g \circ \lambda_h(a) = \lambda_g(\lambda_h(a)) = \lambda_g(ha) = gha = \lambda_{gh}(a)$$

$$\therefore \lambda_g \circ \lambda_h = \lambda_{gh} \quad \checkmark$$

$\in \tilde{G}$

• identity ($e =$ identity of G)

$$\lambda_e(a) = ea = a$$

$\uparrow \therefore$ this is identity permutation $G \rightarrow G$

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• inverses: $(\lambda_g)^{-1} = \lambda_{g^{-1}}$ since

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{g^{-1}} \circ \lambda_g(a) &= \lambda_{g^{-1}}(ga) = g^{-1}ga = a = gg^{-1}a \\ &= \lambda_g \circ \lambda_{g^{-1}}(a) \\ &= \lambda_e(a) \end{aligned}$$

$$\lambda_{g^{-1}} \circ \lambda_g = \lambda_g \circ \lambda_{g^{-1}} = \lambda_e \quad \therefore (\lambda_g)^{-1} = \lambda_{g^{-1}} \quad "$$

$\therefore \tilde{G}$ is a group of permutations.

Define an isomorphism

$$\begin{aligned} \phi: G &\longrightarrow \tilde{G} \\ g &\longmapsto \lambda_g \end{aligned}$$

Show ϕ is an isomorphism $g, h \in G$

$$\phi(gh) = \lambda_{gh} = \lambda_g \circ \lambda_h = \phi(g) \circ \phi(h)$$

⇔

• ϕ is 1-1

iff

$$\phi(g)(a) = \phi(h)(a) \quad \forall a \in G$$

$$\lambda_g(a) = \lambda_h(a)$$

$$ga = ha$$

$$g = h \quad \therefore \text{1-1} \quad \text{⇔}$$

• ϕ is onto

: For any

$$\lambda_g \in \hat{G}$$

$$\phi(g) = \lambda_g \quad \text{⇔}$$

□

Direct Products

• Given groups G, H we construct a group from $G \times H$

↑
Cartesian
Product

External Direct Product

Def | $(G, \circ), (H, \circ)$ groups define

$G \times H = \{ (g, h) \mid g \in G, h \in H \}$ with binary operation

$$(g_1, h_1) (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 \circ g_2, h_1 \circ h_2)$$

Prop. | $G \times H$ is a group with ↑ operation.

Proof: • closed since G, H closed

• (e_G, e_H) is identity in $G \times H$

• $(g, h)^{-1} = (g^{-1}, h^{-1})$ in $G \times H$

$$(g^{-1}, h^{-1})(g, h) = (g^{-1}g, h^{-1}h) = (e_G, e_H) \\ = (g, h)(g^{-1}, h^{-1})$$

• Op. is associative since it is associative in each component. \square

Ex) $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{(0,0), (0,1), (1,0), (1,1)\}$

$$|\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2| = |\mathbb{Z}_4| = 4 \text{ but } \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \neq \mathbb{Z}_4$$

Since $|(a,b)| \leq 2 \quad \forall (a,b) \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \quad \therefore \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ is not cyclic
 \therefore not isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_4 which is cyclic.

$$\prod_{i=1}^n G_i = G_1 \times \dots \times G_n \quad (\text{for groups } G_1, \dots, G_n)$$

If $G_1 = \dots = G_n$, then write G^n where $G = G_i$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbb{Z}^n = \underbrace{\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}}_{n \text{ times}}$$

Thm) Take $(g, h) \in G \times H$. If $|g| = r < \infty$, $|h| = s < \infty$
then $|(g, h)| = \text{lcm}(r, s)$.

Proof: Let $m = \text{lcm}(r, s)$, $n = |(g, h)|$

$$(g, h)^m = (g^m, h^m) = (e_G, e_H)$$

$$(g, h)^n = (g^n, h^n) = (e_G, e_H)$$

could have
show $m > n$
 $m = n$

$$|g| \mid n, \quad |h| \mid n$$

$$\Rightarrow r \mid n, \quad s \mid n$$

\Rightarrow n is a common multiple of r and s

but $m = \text{lcm}(r, s) \quad m \leq n$

but n is the least positive integer s.t. $(g, h)^n = (e_G, e_H)$

$$n \leq m$$

$$\Rightarrow m = n. \quad \therefore |(g, h)| = \text{lcm}(r, s)$$

Cor] Let $(g_1, \dots, g_n) \in \prod_{i=1}^n G_i$ and if $|g_i| = r_i < \infty$ in G_i

then $|(g_1, \dots, g_n)| = \text{lcm}(r_1, \dots, r_n)$ in $\prod_{i=1}^n G_i$.

Ex] $(8, 56) \in \mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{60}$

$$|(8, 56)| = \text{lcm}(|8|, |56|) = \text{lcm}(3, 15) = 15.$$

$$|8| = 3, \quad |56| = \frac{60}{\text{gcd}(56, 60)} = 15$$

Ex] $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \cong \langle (1, 1) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_6$

$$= \{(1,1), (0,2), (1,0), (0,1), (1,2), (0,0)\}$$

Thm] The group $\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_{mn}$ if and only if $\gcd(m,n) = 1$.

Proof: Show $\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \mathbb{Z}_{mn} \Rightarrow \gcd(m,n) = 1$

$\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$ is cyclic

Show contrapositive: If $\gcd(m,n) = d > 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$ is not cyclic.

$$\gcd(m,n) = d > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccc} m & | & \frac{mn}{d} \\ & & \uparrow \\ & & \text{since } d|m, d|n \\ & & \uparrow \\ n & | & \frac{mn}{d} \end{array}$$

Let $(a,b) \in \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$

\therefore

$$\underbrace{(a,b) + \dots + (a,b)}_{\frac{mn}{d}} = (0,0)$$

$$\frac{mn}{d}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{nm}{d} \cdot a = \left(\frac{n}{d}\right) ma = 0 \pmod{m}$$

and

$$\frac{nm}{d} \cdot b = \frac{m}{d} na = 0 \pmod{n}$$

but $|\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n| = mn > \frac{mn}{d} \therefore \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$ is not cyclic.

Now other direction

$$\text{If } \gcd(m,n) = 1 \text{ then } |(1,1)| = \text{lcm}(|1|, |1|) = \text{lcm}(m, n) = mn$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n \cong \langle (1,1) \rangle \text{ is cyclic } \therefore \cong \mathbb{Z}_{mn}$$

$$\langle a \rangle = \{ a, a^2, \dots, a^n \} \therefore \text{if } |G| = n$$

$$|a| = n \Leftrightarrow G = \langle a \rangle.$$

Corollary

$$\mathbb{Z}_{n_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{n_k} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{n_1 \dots n_k}$$

iff and only iff $\gcd(n_i, n_j) = 1 \quad \forall i \neq j$.

Proof: by Theorem above.

Cor If $m = p_1^{d_1} \dots p_k^{d_k}$, p_i 's are distinct primes

then $\mathbb{Z}_m \cong \mathbb{Z}_{p_1^{d_1}} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_k^{d_k}}$

Proof: $\gcd(p_i^{d_i}, p_j^{d_j}) = 1 \quad \forall i \neq j$

Internal Direct product

- Break down a given group into the direct product of smaller groups.

Def Let G be a group, with subgroups H, K s.t.

- $G = HK = \{ hk \mid h \in H, k \in K \}$

- $H \cap K = \{ e \}$

- $hK = Kh \quad \forall k \in K, h \in H$

G is the internal direct product of H and K

Ex) $U(\mathbb{Z}) = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$ is internal direct product
of $H = \{1, 3\}$, $K = \{1, 5\}$