

Abstract Algebra Class Notes

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New HW will be announced on Thursday, March 27

Exam #1 will be returned on Thursday, March 27

Math Colloquium: Wed, March 26 in SEC 105 from 3-4pm

Chapter 3 Section 5 - Isomorphisms

Defn: Let G be a group with respect to \otimes
and Let G' be a group with respect to \boxtimes

Note!: The use of \otimes and \boxtimes may be used to indicate different group operations.

A mapping $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is an isomorphism if

1) ϕ is bijective (aka it is both one-to-one and onto)

2) $\phi(x \otimes y) = \phi(x) \boxtimes \phi(y)$ for all $x, y \in G$

If $\exists \phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is an isomorphism, then we say G and G' are isomorphic.

Note!: An isomorphism, $\phi: G \rightarrow G$, is called an automorphism.

Thm 3.26 - Images of Identities and Inverses

Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be an isomorphism, then

1) $\phi(e) = e'$, where $e' \in G'$

$$2) \phi(x)^{-1} = \phi(x^{-1}) \text{ for all } x \in G$$

Proof:

$$\text{Property 1} \Rightarrow \phi(e) = \phi(e * e)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(e) * \phi(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(e) \text{ "Since } \phi \text{ is an isomorphism"}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(e) * \phi(e) = \phi(e) * e' \text{ "Since } e' \text{ is "}$$

an identity"

$$\Rightarrow \phi(e) = e'$$

$$\text{Property 2} \Rightarrow \text{For any } x \in G,$$

$$x \cdot x^{-1} = e \Rightarrow \phi(x \cdot x^{-1})$$

$$= \phi(e)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x \cdot x^{-1}) = e'$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \cdot \phi(x^{-1}) = e'$$

QED

Note! : The concept of isomorphism indicates the relation of being isomorphic on a set of groups. We can then say that this relation is an equivalence relation

$$\text{Example 1: } H = \left\{ \text{id}, \alpha: \begin{array}{l} 1 \mapsto 2 \\ 2 \mapsto 3 \\ 3 \mapsto 1 \end{array}, \alpha^2: \begin{array}{l} 1 \mapsto 3 \\ 2 \mapsto 1 \\ 3 \mapsto 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

and $H \subset S_3$

then, H is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_3 via,

$$\begin{aligned}\phi: H &\rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3, \text{ where } \phi(\text{id}) = [0] \\ \phi(\alpha) &= [1] \\ \phi(\alpha^2) &= [2]\end{aligned}$$

Example 2: $G = \{1, i, -1, -i\}$ ← "The Four Roots of Unity"
under multiplication
and is isomorphic to
 \mathbb{Z}_4 , where $\mathbb{Z}_4 = G'$

Remember $\Rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4 = \{[0], [1], [2], [3]\}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{So,} \\ \phi: \begin{array}{l} 1 \mapsto [0] \\ i \mapsto [1] \\ -1 \mapsto [2] \\ -i \mapsto [3] \end{array} \end{array} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{array}{l} \phi: G \rightarrow G' \\ \phi(1) = [0] \\ \phi(i) = [1] \\ \phi(-1) = [2] \\ \phi(-i) = [3] \end{array}$$

Example 3: Let $G = (\mathbb{R}, +)$ and $G' = (\mathbb{R}^{>0}, \cdot)$

Note! (\mathbb{R}, \cdot) is not a valid group

so, $\phi: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{>0}, \cdot)$ is an isomorphism

then, $\phi: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{>0}, \cdot)$

$x \mapsto e^x$, where ϕ is the bijection.

since ϕ is an isomorphism, $e^{x+y} = e^x \cdot e^y$

then, $\phi(x+y) = \phi(x) \cdot \phi(y)$

Example 4: Let $(m, n) = 1$ } relatively prime

$$\phi: \mathbb{Z}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$$
$$[x] \mapsto [mx] \text{ is an } \underline{\text{automorphism}}$$

Proof: $\phi([x] + [y]) = \phi([x+y])$

$$\Downarrow$$
$$[m(x+y)]$$

then, $\phi([x]) + \phi([y]) = [mx] + [my] = [m(x+y)]$

\Rightarrow Property of Theorem 3.26 is satisfied \checkmark

What remains now is to check bijectivity,

Lemma: ϕ is injective $\iff (\phi(x) = e \iff x = e)$

Proof of: " \implies " This is clearly understood
Lemma

" \impliedby " Let $\phi([x]) = \phi([y])$

$$\implies \phi([x] + [-y]) = [0]$$

$$\implies [x] + [-y] = [0]$$

Assumption

$$\implies [x] = [y]$$

What remains to be shown: $\phi([x]) = [0]$

$$\implies [x] = [0]$$

Proof: $\phi([x]) = [0] \implies [mx] = [0]$

$$\implies n \mid mx$$

$$\Rightarrow n|x \Rightarrow [x] = [0] \quad \boxed{\text{QED}}$$

Chapter 3 Section 6 - Homomorphisms

Defn: Let (G, \otimes) and (G', \boxtimes) be groups

say that, $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a homomorphism

$$\iff \phi(x \otimes y) = \phi(x) \boxtimes \phi(y)$$

Defn: 1) If $G = G'$, we call ϕ as an endomorphism

2) If ϕ is surjective, we call ϕ an epimorphism

3) If ϕ is injective, we call ϕ a monomorphism

Example 1: $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$
 $x \mapsto |x|$

$$\text{then, } \phi(x+y) = [x+y] = [x] + [y] = \phi(x) + \phi(y)$$

$\Rightarrow \phi$ is a surjective homomorphism (aka epimorphism)

Example 2: $GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{\neq 0}, \cdot)$
 $A \mapsto \det(A)$

Note!: $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ is the group of all "n x n" invertible matrices. GL indicates "general linear".

then, the homomorphism property is $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$

Recall: $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a homomorphism

$$\iff \forall x, y \in G: \phi(x * y) = \phi(x) \boxed{*} \phi(y)$$

$\Rightarrow G = G'$ is an endomorphism

$\Rightarrow \phi$ surjective $\Rightarrow \phi$ is an epimorphism

$\Rightarrow \phi$ injective $\Rightarrow \phi$ is a monomorphism

Example 1: $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$

$$x \mapsto [x]$$

It is an epimorphism? Answer: Yes

It is a monomorphism? Answer: No

Example 2: $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

$$x \mapsto 3x$$

Check the homomorphic property: $\phi(x+y) = 3(x+y)$

$$= 3x + 3y = \phi(x) + \phi(y) \checkmark$$

$$\text{so, } 3x + 3y \Rightarrow x \bar{=} y \Rightarrow \boxed{x = y}$$

Example 3: $\det: \mathbb{E}GL(n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^{\neq 0}, \cdot)$

$$\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$$

Example 4: $\phi: \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{12}$

$$[0]_6 \mapsto [0]_{12}$$

$\phi(y)$

$$[1]_6 \mapsto [1]_{12}$$

\vdots

$$[5]_6 \mapsto [5]_{12}$$

This is not a homomorphism

because of the following,

$$\phi([3] + [4]) = \phi([1])$$

using \mathbb{Z}_7

$$= [1]$$

On the other hand, $\phi([3]) + \phi([4])$

$$= [3] + [4] = [7]_{12}$$

using \mathbb{Z}_{12}

Theorem 3.28

The following statements still hold true:

$$1) \phi(e) = e'$$

$$2) \phi(x)^{-1} = \phi(x^{-1})$$

Proof: The proof in the case of isomorphisms did not use the concept of bijectivity.

Defn: The Kernel

Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism

then, the kernel of ϕ is the following set,

$$\ker \phi = \{x \in G : \phi(x) = e'\}$$

The identity element in G'

$\phi(x+y)$

Remark/Lemma

$\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a homomorphism and injective

$$\iff \ker \phi = \{e\}$$

Proof: " \Rightarrow "

This part of the proof is trivial, because if ϕ is injective, then " e " is the only element within the kernel of ϕ .

" \Leftarrow "

$$\text{Let } \phi(x) = \phi(y) \text{ and } 1 \cdot \phi(y)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \phi(y)^{-1} = e'$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x) \phi(y^{-1}) = e' \quad \text{"By Property 2 of"} \\ \text{Theorem 3.28}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(xy^{-1}) = e'$$

$$\Rightarrow \ker \phi = \{e\}, \text{ because we assume} \\ \phi(xy^{-1}) = e' \text{ follows} \\ \text{Property 1 of Thm. 3.28}$$

Proposition: $\ker \phi$ is a subgroup of G

Proof: $\ker \phi$ must be checked to be nonempty $\Rightarrow e \in \ker \phi \checkmark$

$$\text{Let } x, y \in \ker \phi \Rightarrow \phi(xy) = \phi(x) \phi(y)$$

$$= e' \cdot e' = e' \Rightarrow \phi(xy) \in \ker \phi \checkmark$$

$$\text{then, let } x \in \ker \phi \Rightarrow \phi(x^{-1}) = \phi(x)^{-1} = (e')^{-1} \\ = e' \checkmark$$

Remark: There are more things
that are valid
concerning $\ker \phi$

This works when $e=1$

$$\Rightarrow \forall g \in G: \forall x \in \ker \phi: gxg^{-1} \in \ker \phi$$

the element "x" and not a multiplication sign.

$$\text{Proof: } \phi(gxg^{-1}) = \phi(g)\phi(x)\phi(g^{-1})$$

$$= \phi(g)\phi(x)\phi(g)^{-1}$$

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

$$= \boxed{e'}$$

The term $\phi(x)$
drops off because
 $\phi(x) = e'$ as $\phi(x) \in \ker \phi$.

Remark: We will talk about "normal subgroups" later on.

Theorem: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be an epimorphism (aka surj. homomorphism).
Let G be abelian. Then G' is abelian.

Proof: Let $x, y \in G'$

Because of surjectivity, $\exists a, b \in G: \phi(a) = x$
 $\phi(b) = y$

Based on the
homomorphism
property

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then, } xy &= \phi(a)\phi(b) = \phi(ab) \\ &= \phi(ba) \leftarrow \text{The property of being abelian} \\ &= \phi(b)\phi(a) \\ &= yx \quad \boxed{\text{QED}} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a surjective homomorphism (aka epimorphism).
Let G be cyclic. Then G' is cyclic.

Proof: Let x be a generator of G

Claim: $\phi(x)$ is a generator of G'

Proof: Let $y \in G'$ be arbitrary

Since ϕ is surjective, $\exists k: \phi(x^k) = y$

and $G = \langle x \rangle$; Note: $\phi(x^k)$

$$= \phi(x) \circ \dots \circ \phi(x)$$

Theorem: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism

Let H be a subgroup in G , then $\phi(H)$ is a subgroup in G' .

Proof: Check that H is

nonempty,

if so

\implies

$\phi(H)$ is

also nonempty

$$\text{Let } x, y \in \phi(H) \Rightarrow \exists a, b \in H: \begin{aligned} \phi(a) &= x \\ \phi(b) &= y \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then, } xy &= \phi(a)\phi(b) \\ &= \phi(ab), \text{ where } xy \in \phi(H) \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Let } x \in \phi(H) \text{ and } x = \phi(a)$$

$$\text{then, } x^{-1} = (\phi(a))^{-1} = \phi(a^{-1}) \quad \text{then, } a^{-1} \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in \phi(H) \quad \boxed{\text{QED}}$$

Theorem: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism

Let $K \subset G'$ be a subgroup
then, $\phi^{-1}(K)$ is a subgroup of G

Proof: $\phi^{-1}(K)$ is nonempty because K is nonempty
(in other words, since $e' \in K$, then
 $e \in \phi^{-1}(K) \neq \emptyset$) \checkmark

then, let $x, y \in \phi^{-1}(K)$

Claim: $\phi(xy) \in K$

then, $\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y)$, where $\phi(x)$ and $\phi(y) \in K$


then, $\phi(xy) \in K \quad \checkmark$

Let $x \in \phi^{-1}(K)$

then, we need to show $\phi(x^{-1}) \in K$

then, $\phi(x^{-1}) = \phi(x)^{-1}$, where $\phi(x) \in K$

then, $\phi(x^{-1}) \in K$ QED


 $x \in \phi^{-1}(K)$