

UNIT - I

Groups And Rings

Groups:

Definition:

A non-empty set G with a binary operation $*$, i.e., $(G, *)$ is called a group, if $*$ satisfies the following conditions.

(i) closure : For all $a, b \in G$, then $a * b \in G$

(ii) Associative : For all $a, b, c \in G$, we have

$$(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$$

(iii) Identity : There exists an element $e \in G$ called the identity element such that $a * e = e * a = a$, for all $a \in G$.

(iv) Inverse : There exists an element $a^{-1} \in G$ called the inverse of 'a' such that

$$a * a^{-1} = a^{-1} * a = e \text{ for all } a \in G.$$

Abelian group (or) commutative :

In a group $(G, *)$, if $a * b = b * a$ for all $a, b \in G$ then the group $(G, *)$ is called an abelian group, otherwise $(G, *)$ is called non-abelian group.

EX $2 * 3 = 3 * 2$

EX: $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is an abelian group.

Order of a group:

The number of elements in a group G is called the order of the group and it is denoted by $O(G)$ (or) $|G|$ ex: $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

EX: If G has n elements, then $O(G) = n$

Finite and Infinite group:

If $O(G)$ is finite, then G is called a finite group. $G = \{1, 2, 3\}$

If $O(G)$ is infinite, then G is called an infinite group. $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, \infty\}$

NOTE:

- \mathbb{N} = the set of all positive integers
 $= \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
Whole numbers
 $= 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$
- \mathbb{Z} = the set of all integers
 $= \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$
 \mathbb{N} = Natural numbers
 $= 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$
- \mathbb{Q} = the set of all rational numbers
 $= \left\{ \frac{p}{q} \mid p, q \in \mathbb{Z}, q \neq 0 \right\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{7}, \dots \right\}$
Irrational
 $= \{\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}, \pi, \dots\}$
- \mathbb{R} = the set of all real numbers
 $= \{\dots, -1.5, -1, -0.5\}$
- \mathbb{C} = the set of all complex numbers.
 $= \{a + ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$, $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ and $(\mathbb{C}, +)$ are group or Abelian.
- $(\mathbb{N}, +)$, $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$, $(\mathbb{Q}, *)$, $(\mathbb{R}, *)$, $(\mathbb{C}, *)$ are group or Abelian.

Example:

1. Show that set \mathbb{R} with the usual addition as a binary operation is an abelian group.

Solution: Given: $(\mathbb{R}, +)$, let $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$.

(i) Closure: $a + b \in \mathbb{R}$

(ii) Associative: $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$

(iii) Identity: Since $0 \in \mathbb{R}$ we have $a + 0 = 0 + a = a$

(iv) Inverse: For $a \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $-a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that,

$$a + (-a) = 0 = (-a) + a$$

\therefore The inverse of a is $-a$.

(v) Commutative: $a + b = b + a$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore (\mathbb{R}, +)$ is an abelian group

Since \mathbb{R} contains infinite number of elements, \therefore

$(\mathbb{R}, +)$ is an infinite abelian group.

2. Show that set \mathbb{R} with the usual multiplication as a binary operation is an abelian group.

3. Why $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$ is not a group?

Solution:

$(\mathbb{Z}, *)$ is not a group under usual multiplication. Since there is no multiplicative inverse in \mathbb{Z} . [The multiplicative inverse of 'a' is $\frac{1}{a}$ which is not in \mathbb{Z}].

Elementary properties of a Group:

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hold.

Theorem: 1

Let $(G, *)$ be a group, Then

- (i) Identity element is unique.
- (ii) For each $a \in G$, inverse is unique.

Proof: Given $(G, *)$ is a group

- (i) Let e and e' be two identity elements of G .

$$e * e' = e' * e = e \quad [\because e' \text{ identity}]$$

$$e' * e = e * e' = e' \quad [\because e \text{ identity}]$$

$$\therefore e = e'$$

Hence, the identity element is unique.

- (ii) Let e be the identity element of G .

Let $a \in G$ be any element.

Suppose a' and a'' are two inverse of a ,

Then $a * a' = a' * a = e$

$$a * a'' = a'' * a = e$$

Now, $a' = a' * e$

$$= a' * (a * a'')$$

$$= (a' * a) * a''$$

$$= e * a''$$

$$a' = a''$$

Hence, the inverse is unique.

Theorem: 2

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In a group $(G, *)$ the cancellation laws hold.

(i) $a * b = a * c \Rightarrow b = c$ [Left Cancellation law]

(ii) $b * a = c * a \Rightarrow b = c$ [Right Cancellation law].

Proof: Given $(G, *)$ is a group.

Let e be the identity element of G .

(i) Given: $a * b = a * c$

Let a^{-1} be the inverse of a .

Premultiplying by a^{-1} , we get,

$$a^{-1} * (a * b) = a^{-1} * (a * c)$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * b = (a^{-1} * a) * c$$

$$e * b = e * c$$

$b = c$ which is called L.C. Law.

(ii) Given: $b * a = c * a$ [post multiplying by a^{-1}]

$$(b * a) * a^{-1} = (c * a) * a^{-1}$$

$$b * (a * a^{-1}) = c * (a * a^{-1})$$

$$b * e = c * e$$

$$b = c$$

which is called Right Cancellation Law.

Theorem: \exists

In a group $(G, *)$ the equation $a * x = b$ and $y * a = b$ have unique solutions with unique x and y as $x = a^{-1} * b$, $y = b * a^{-1}$, where $a, b \in G$.

Proof: Given $(G, *)$ is a group.

Let e be the identity element of G and a^{-1} be the inverse of a .

$$\text{Given: } a * x = b$$

$$a^{-1} * (a * x) = a^{-1} * b$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * x = a^{-1} * b$$

$$e * x = a^{-1} * b$$

$$x = a^{-1} * b \in G \text{ is a solution.}$$

Now prove the uniqueness.

Suppose $x_1, x_2 \in G$ be two solutions of $a * x = b$

$$\text{then } a * x_1 = b \text{ and } a * x_2 = b$$

$$a * x_1 = a * x_2$$

$$x_1 = x_2 \quad [\text{by left.c. law}]$$

Hence the solution is unique and the unique solution

$$\text{is } x = a^{-1} * b$$

Similarly, given: $y * a = b$

$$(y * a) * a^{-1} = b * a^{-1}$$

$$y * (a * a^{-1}) = b * a^{-1}$$

$$y * e = b * a^{-1}$$

$$y = b * a^{-1}$$

$$y = b * a^{-1} \in G \text{ is a solution.}$$

Now prove the uniqueness.

Let y_1, y_2 be two solutions of $y * a = b$

$$y_1 * a = b \text{ and } y_2 * a = b$$

$$y_1 * a = y_2 * a$$

$$y_1 = y_2$$

Hence the solution is unique and the unique solution is $y = b * a^{-1}$.

Theorem: 4

Let $(G, *)$ be a group.

Then (i) For each $a \in G$, $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a$

(ii) For all $a, b \in G$, $(a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$.

Proof:

Given: $(G, *)$

(i) Let $a \in G$,

Then a^{-1} is the inverse of a and

$(a^{-1})^{-1}$ is the inverse of a^{-1}

$$\therefore a * a^{-1} = a^{-1} * a = e$$

$$a^{-1} * (a^{-1})^{-1} = (a^{-1})^{-1} * a^{-1} = e$$

$$a^{-1} * a = a^{-1} * (a^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$a = (a^{-1})^{-1} \quad [\text{by L.C.L}]$$

(ii) Let $a, b \in G$.

$$\text{consider, } (a * b) * (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = a * (b * b^{-1}) * a^{-1}$$

$$= a * e * a^{-1}$$

$$= a * a^{-1}$$

$$= e$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, } (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) * (a * b) &= b^{-1} * (a^{-1} * a) * b \\ &= b^{-1} * e * b \\ &= b^{-1} * b \\ &= e \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } (a * b) * (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) = (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) * (a * b) = e.$$

Hence $b^{-1} * a^{-1}$ is the inverse of $a * b$.

$$(a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}.$$

Problems under group and Abelian group:

1. Show that the set $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ consisting of the 4th roots of unity is a commutative group under multiplication.

Solution: Given $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$

Consider the multiplication (Cayley Table).

*	1	-1	i	-i
1	1	-1	i	-i
-1	-1	1	-i	i
i	i	-i	-1	1
-i	-i	i	1	-1

(i) Closure: All the elements in this table belongs to G .
Hence G is closed.

(ii) Associativity: $1(-1 \cdot i) = (1 \cdot -1) \cdot i$
 $= -i \in G$
Hence G is Associative.

(iii) Identity: $1 \cdot 1 = 1, -1 \cdot 1 = -1, i \cdot 1 = i, -i \cdot 1 = -i$
 $\therefore 1$ is the identity element.

(iv) Inverse: Inverse of 1 is 1, Inverse of -1 is -1
Inverse of i is $-i$, Inverse of $-i$ is i
Hence $(G, *)$ is a group.

(v) commutative: $1 * -1 = -1 * 1 = -1 \in G$
Hence $(G, *)$ is an abelian group.

2. verify that set $S = \{-1, 1\}$ is a group or not.

(a) under multiplication (b) under addition.

Solution: Given: $S = \{-1, 1\}$

*	1	-1
1	1	-1
-1	-1	1

a) under multiplication:

i) closure property:

$$-1 \cdot 1 = -1 \in S$$

$$1 \cdot -1 = -1 \in S$$

$\therefore S$ is closed.

ii) Associative property:

since there are only two elements in S , the associative property is meaningless.

iii) Existence of identity:

The multiplicative identity $1 \in S$ [$\because ae = ea = a$]

$$\text{i.e., } e = 1.$$

iv) Existence of inverse:

$$(-1) \cdot (-1)^{-1} = (-1)^{-1} \cdot (-1) = 1$$

$$1 \cdot (1)^{-1} = (1)^{-1} \cdot (1) = 1.$$

The inverse of -1 is -1

The inverse of 1 is 1 .

which shows that each element has its own inverse.
Hence, S is a group under multiplication.

b) under addition:

i) closure property:

$$-1 + 1 = 0 \notin S$$

$\therefore S$ is not closed under addition.

$\therefore S$ is not a group under addition.

Ex:

3 verify that the set $= \{-1, 0, 1\}$ is a group
not under addition. [Ans: S is a group]

4. Verify that set $= \{10n/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ under addition
is a group (or) not.

Solution: Given: $S = \{10n/n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$

(i) Closure property:

Let $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$10n + 10m = 10(m+n) \in S \text{ since } m+n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\therefore S$ is closed under addition.

(ii) Associative property:

Let $n, m, p \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} 10n + (10m + 10p) &= 10n + 10(m+p) \\ &= 10[n + (m+p)] \\ &= 10[(n+m) + p] \\ &= (10n + 10m) + 10p \end{aligned}$$

Thus S is associative under addition.

(iii) Existence of identity:

The additive identity $0 \in S$

$$\text{i.e., } e = 0 \in S$$

$$10n + 0 = 0 + 10n = 10n, \text{ since } 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(iv) Existence of inverse: (6)

Let $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ be the inverse of $10n$

$$\therefore 10n + k = 0 \quad [\because 0 \text{ is identity of } \mathbb{S}]$$

$$k = 0 - 10n$$

$$= -10n$$

$$= 10(-n) \in \mathbb{S}$$

Hence, \mathbb{S} is a group under addition.

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5. Show that M_2 the set of all 2×2 non-singular Matrices over \mathbb{R} is a group under usual Matrix Multiplication. Is it abelian?

Solution: Given: $M_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \begin{matrix} ad - bc \neq 0 \end{matrix} \right\}$

To prove $(M_2, *)$ is a group.

1. closure: Let $A, B \in M_2$ then $|A| \neq 0, |B| \neq 0$ and AB is a 2×2 Matrix.

$$\text{Then } |AB| = |A||B| \neq 0$$

$$\therefore AB \in M_2$$

So M_2 is closed.

2. Associative: We know that Matrix multiplication is associative and hence it is true for M_2 .

$$\text{i.e., } A(BC) = (AB)C \quad \forall A, B, C \in M_2.$$

$\therefore M_2$ is Associative.

3. Identity: $I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_2$ such that,

$$AI = IA = A \quad \forall A \in M_2$$

$\therefore I$ is the identity element in M_2 .

4. Inverse: Let $A \in M_2$ then $|A| \neq 0$ and A^{-1} exists,

$$A^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj} A}{|A|}$$

So inverse exists for every element in M_2 .

$\therefore (M_2, *)$ is a group

But Matrix multiplication is not commutative.

$$\text{i.e., } AB \neq BA$$

$\therefore (M_2, *)$ is not an abelian group.

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6. Show that the set of all non-zero real numbers is an abelian group under the operation $*$ defined by $a * b = \frac{ab}{2}$.

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Solution: Let G be the set of all non-zero real numbers

$\therefore G = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$, where \mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers.

Given $(G, *)$ is defined by $a * b = \frac{ab}{2}$, $\forall a, b \in G$.

1. closure: $a * b = \frac{ab}{2}$.

where a and b are non zero real numbers

so $\frac{ab}{2}$ is non zero real number.

$\therefore \frac{ab}{2} \in G \Rightarrow a * b \in G \quad \forall a, b \in G$

$\therefore G$ is closed.

3) Associativity: For any $a, b, c \in G$. (1)

$$(a * b) * c = \left(\frac{ab}{2}\right) * c = \frac{\left(\frac{ab}{2}\right)c}{2} = \frac{abc}{4}$$

$$a * (b * c) = a * \frac{bc}{2} = \frac{a\left(\frac{bc}{2}\right)}{2} = \frac{abc}{4}$$

$$\therefore a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c \quad \forall a, b, c \in G.$$

3) Identity: Suppose $e \in G$ be the identity,

$$\text{Then } a * e = a \quad \forall a \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ae}{2} = a \quad \Rightarrow \frac{e}{2} = 1$$

$$\therefore \boxed{e = 2.}$$

4) Inverse: Let a be any element of G .

Suppose a^{-1} is its inverse then

$$a * a^{-1} = e$$

$$\frac{aa^{-1}}{2} = 2 \quad \Rightarrow aa^{-1} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} = \frac{4}{a} \in G.$$

Inverse of a is $\frac{4}{a}$.

$\therefore (G, *)$ is a group.

5) Commutative: Let a, b be any two elements of G .

$$\text{Then } a * b = \frac{ab}{2} = \frac{ba}{2}$$

$$= b * a$$

$$a * b = b * a$$

Hence $(G, *)$ is an abelian group.

7. If $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ is the set of cube roots of unity, then prove that G is group under Multiplication.

Solution: Given: $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ and $\omega^3 = 1$.

The Cayley Table is,

*	1	ω	ω^2
1	1	ω	ω^2
ω	ω	ω^2	1
ω^2	ω^2	1	ω

1. closure:

The body of the table contains all the elements of G only. $\therefore G$ is closed.

2. Associative:

$$(1 * \omega) * \omega^2 = 1 * (\omega * \omega^2) = \omega^3 = 1.$$

3. Identity: we have, $1 * 1 = 1$

$$\omega * 1 = \omega$$

$$\omega^2 * 1 = \omega^2$$

$\therefore 1$ is the identity element of G .

4. Inverse: $1 * 1 = 1 \therefore$ The inverse of 1 is 1

$$\omega * \omega^2 = 1$$

The inverse of ω is ω^2

$$\omega^2 * \omega = 1$$

The inverse of ω^2 is ω .

$\therefore (G, *)$ is a group.

5) Commutativity: For $1, \omega, \omega^2 \in G$.

$$1 * \omega = \omega * 1 = \omega \in G$$

Hence $(G, *)$ is an abelian group.

8. Show that $\{R - \{-1\}, *\}$ is an abelian group under the binary operation $*$ defined by $a * b = a + b + ab$, $\forall a, b \in R - \{-1\}$.

Solution: Given: $G = \{R - \{-1\}, *\}$ where $a * b = a + b + ab$, $\forall a, b \in R - \{-1\}$.

1. closure: since a, b are real numbers $\neq -1$,
 $a + b + ab$ is a real number and $a + b + ab \neq -1$.
 if, $a + b + ab = -1$,
 $1 + a + b + ab = 0 \Rightarrow (1+a) + b(1+a) = 0$
 $(1+a)(1+b) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow a = -1$ (or) $b = -1$, which is a contradiction.
 $\therefore a + b + ab \neq -1$
 so $a + b + ab \in G$.
 G is closed.

2) Associativity: Let $a, b, c \in G$.

$$\text{Then } (a * b) * c = (a + b + ab) * c.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a + b + ab + c + (a + b + ab)c \\ &= a + b + ab + c + ac + bc + abc \\ &= a + b + c + ab + bc + ca + abc. \end{aligned} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{and } a * (b * c) = a * (b + c + bc)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= a + b + c + bc + a(b + c + bc) \\ &= a + b + c + bc + ab + ac + abc \\ &= a + b + c + ab + bc + ca + abc. \end{aligned} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

From $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$, $(a * b) * c = a * (b * c)$, $\forall a, b, c \in G$.

3. Identity: suppose $e \in G$ be the identity, then ¹

$$a * e = a$$

$$a + e + ae = a$$

$$e + ae = a - a$$

$$e(1+a) = 0$$

$$\boxed{e = 0}$$

Identity element is 0.

4) Inverse: Let $a \in G$ be any element

$$\therefore a \neq -1$$

If a^{-1} is the inverse of a , then

$$a * a^{-1} = 0$$

$$a + a^{-1} + a a^{-1} = 0$$

$$a^{-1}(1+a) = -a$$

$$a^{-1} = \frac{-a}{1+a} \neq -1 \in G.$$

5. Commutativity: let $a, b \in G$,

$$a * b = a + b + ab$$

$$= b + a + ba$$

$$= b * a$$

$\therefore (G, *)$ is an abelian group.

9. Show that if every element in a group G is its own inverse, then the group G must be abelian. ①

(OR)

In a group G , if $a^2 = e \forall a \in G$, then G is abelian.

Solution: Let $a, b \in G$ be any two elements, then $a * b \in G$.

Given every element is its own inverse.

$$a^{-1} = a, b^{-1} = b \text{ and } (a * b)^{-1} = a * b$$

$$\Rightarrow b^{-1} * a^{-1} = a * b$$

$$b * a = a * b \quad \forall a, b \in G.$$

Hence G is abelian.

10. In a group $(G, *)$, if $(a * b)^2 = a^2 * b^2 \forall a, b \in G$ then show that $(G, *)$ is abelian.

Solution: Given: $(G, *)$ is a group.

$$(a * b)^2 = a^2 * b^2 \quad \forall a, b \in G.$$

$$(a * b) * (a * b) = (a * a) * (b * b)$$

$$a * (b * a) * b = a * (a * b) * b \quad [\text{by L \& R C. Law}]$$

$$(b * a) = (a * b)$$

This is true for all $a, b \in G$.

Hence $(G, *)$ is abelian.

11. Examine $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ is a commutative group under matrix multiplication, where \mathbb{R} is the set of all real numbers.

Solution: Given: $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \neq 0 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

1. closure: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} \in G$, $a \neq 0$, $b \neq 0$.

$$\text{Then } AB = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2ab & 2ab \\ 2ab & 2ab \end{bmatrix} \in G$$

So, closure is satisfied.

2. Associative: Since matrix multiplication is associative, i.e., $A(BC) = (AB)C \forall A, B, C \in G$.

3. Identity: Let $I = \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix}$, $x \neq 0$ is the identity element in G .

Then for any $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix}$, $a \neq 0$ in G

$$\text{Now } AI = A$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2ax & 2ax \\ 2ax & 2ax \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2ax = a$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the identity element}$$

4. Inverse:

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix} \quad a \neq 0 \text{ in } G$$

$$\text{if } B = \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the inverse then } AB = I$$

$$AB = I$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2ab & 2ab \\ 2ab & 2ab \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2ab = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{4a}$$

$$\text{Inverse of } B = A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4a} & \frac{1}{4a} \\ \frac{1}{4a} & \frac{1}{4a} \end{bmatrix} \text{ exists.}$$

$\therefore G$ is a group.

5. Commutative: Since $ab = ba \quad \forall a, b \in R$ for any

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b & b \\ b & b \end{bmatrix} \text{ we have } AB = BA$$

$\therefore G$ is an abelian group under multiplication.

12. prove that $(A, *)$ is a non-abelian group.

* Where $A = \mathbb{R}^* \times \mathbb{R}$ and $(a,b) * (c,d) = (ac, bc+ad)$.

Solution:

Given: $(A, *) = (a,b) * (c,d) = (ac, bc+ad)$.

i) closure:

Let $(a,b), (c,d) \in A$

Then $(a,b) * (c,d) = (ac, bc+ad) \in A$.

$\therefore A$ is closed.

(ii) Associative:

Let $(a,b), (c,d), (e,f) \in A$

To prove: $(a,b) * [(c,d) * (e,f)] = [(a,b) * (c,d)] * (e,f)$

consider, $(a,b) * [(c,d) * (e,f)] = (a,b) * [ce, de+ef]$

$$= (ace, bce+de+ef) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$[(a,b) * (c,d)] * (e,f) = (ac, bc+ad) * (e,f)$$

$$= [ace, bce+de+ef] \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

From $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$ we get, A is associative.

(iii) Identity:

Let $(a,b) \in A$ and $(e_1, e_2) \in A$.

$$\Rightarrow (a,b) * (e_1, e_2) = (a,b)$$

$$\Rightarrow (ae_1, be_1+e_2) = (a,b)$$

$$\Rightarrow ae_1 = a \quad be_1+e_2 = b$$

$$e_1 = 1 \quad b+e_2 = b \Rightarrow e_2 = 0.$$

Hence identity is $(1, 0)$.

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iv) Inverse:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } (a, b) \in A, (c, d) \in A \\ \Rightarrow (a, b) * (c, d) &= (e_1, e_2) \\ \Rightarrow (ac, bc + d) &= (1, 0) \\ \Rightarrow ac = 1, bc + d &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow c = a^{-1}, d &= -bc \\ &= -ba^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the inverse of (a, b) is $(a^{-1}, -ba^{-1})$

Hence $(A, *)$ is a group

v) Commutative:

Let $(a, b), (c, d) \in A$

To prove $(a, b) * (c, d) \neq (c, d) * (a, b)$

$$(a, b) * (c, d) = (ac, bc + d) \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$(c, d) * (a, b) = (ca, da + b) \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

From $\textcircled{1}$ & $\textcircled{2}$ we get,

$$(a, b) * (c, d) \neq (c, d) * (a, b)$$

$\therefore (A, *)$ is a non-abelian group.

Subgroup:

Let $(G, *)$ is a group and $\phi = H \subseteq G$.

If $(H, *)$ is a group under the binary operation of G , then $(H, *)$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$

is, $(H, *)$ is said to be a subgroup of $(G, *)$ if

NOTE:

- 1) $e \in H$ where e is the identity in G
2) For any $a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$ 3) for $a, b \in H, a * b \in H$.

1. Every group $(G, *)$ has $[e]$ and G as subgroups. These are called trivial sub-groups of G . All others are termed non-trivial (or) proper.

2. The non-trivial subgroups are also known as proper subgroups.

3. The group $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is a subgroup of $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$, which is a subgroup of $(\mathbb{R}, +)$. Yet \mathbb{Z}^* under multiplication is not a subgroup of (\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot) .

THEOREM: 2

If H is a non-empty subset of a group G , then H is a subgroup of G if and only if,

- a) For all $a, b \in H, ab \in H$ and
b) For all $a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$.

Proof:

If part:

Given: H is a subgroup of $G \Rightarrow H$ is a group under the same binary operation.

To prove: a) For all $a, b \in H, ab \in H$
b) For all $a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$

For, $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b \in H$ (closure) (13)

Since $b \in H \Rightarrow b^{-1} \in H$ ($\because H$ is a subgroup)

For $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a, b^{-1} \in H$

$\Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H$ ($\because H$ is a subgroup)

Sufficient condition:

Let $a * b^{-1} \in H$ for $a, b \in H$

To prove that H is a subgroup of G .

i) Closure:

Let $b \in H \Rightarrow b^{-1} \in H$

For $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H$

$a, b^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow a * (b^{-1})^{-1} \in H$

$\Rightarrow a * b \in H$

H is closed.

ii) Identity: Let $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

For $a, a^{-1} \in H \Rightarrow a * a^{-1} \in H$

$\Rightarrow e \in H$.

\therefore The identity element is $e \in H$.

(iii) Inverse:

Let $e \in H$.

Choose, $a = e$ in $a * b^{-1} \in H$

$e * b^{-1} \in H$

$b^{-1} \in H$

\therefore The inverse b^{-1} is in H .

$\therefore H$ is a subgroup of G .

SUBGROUPS:

Let $(G, *)$ be a group. Then $(H, *)$ is said to be subgroup of $(G, *)$ if $H \subseteq G$ and $(H, *)$ itself a group under the operation $*$.

i.e., $(H, *)$ is said to be a subgroup of $(G, *)$ if

(i) $e \in H$, where e is the identity in G .

(ii) For any $a \in H$, $a^{-1} \in H$

(iii) For $a, b \in H$, $a * b \in H$.

EX: (i) $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is a subgroup of $(\mathbb{R}, +)$

(2) $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ is a subgroup of $(\mathbb{C}, +)$.

Define proper and improper Subgroups:

1) The subgroups $(G, *)$ and $(\{e\}, *)$ are called improper (or) trivial subgroups.

2) All the other groups are called the proper (or) non-trivial subgroups.

Theorem: 1

The necessary and sufficient condition that a non-empty subset H of a group G to be a subgroup is $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H$, for all $a, b \in H$.

Proof: Necessary condition:

Let us assume that H is a subgroup of G .

Since H itself is a group,

Proof: $\forall a, b \in H$

\Rightarrow a) for all $a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$

b) for all $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$ [\because by the definition of subgroup, Here H is a subgroup of G]

only if part:

Given: a) For all $a, b \in H, ab \in H$

b) For all $a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$

To prove: H is a subgroup of G

proof: $\forall a, b, c \in H$. Since $H \subseteq G$

$\Rightarrow a, b, c \in G$

$\therefore a(bc) = (ab)c$ (Associative law holds in H)

$\forall a \in H, a^{-1} \in H$

$\Rightarrow aa^{-1} \in H$ [by (a)]

$\Rightarrow e \in H$

So H is a group

Hence, H is a subgroup of G .

Theorem:

If G is a group $\phi \neq H \subseteq G$, with H finite, then H is a subgroup of G if and only if H is closed under the binary operation of G .

Proof: If part:

Given: H is a subgroup of G

$\Rightarrow H$ is a group

To prove: H is closed under the binary operation of G

proof: $\forall a, b \in H$

$\Rightarrow ab \in H$ [$\therefore H$ is a subgroup of G]

only if part:

Given: H is closed under the binary operation of G .

$\forall a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$

To prove: H is a subgroup of G .

proof: (i) Closure property:

$\forall a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$ [$\therefore H \subseteq G$]

(ii) Associative law:

Associative law holds in G it holds in H as well.

(iii) Existence identity:

If $a \in H$, then $aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\} \subseteq H$,

because of the closure condition, By left-cancellation in G .

$$ah_1 = ah_2$$

$$\Rightarrow h_1 = h_2$$

So $|aH| = |H|$. With $aH \subseteq H$ and $|aH| = |H|$, it follows from H being finite that $aH = H$. As $a \in H$,

there exists $b \in H$ with $ab = a$. But (in G)

$ab = a = ae$, so $b = e$ and H contains the identity.

(iv) Existence of Inverse:

Since $e \in H = aH$, there is an element $c \in H$

such that $ac = e$. Then $(ca)^2 = (ca)(ca) = c(ac)a =$

$(ce)a = ca = (ca)e$, so $ca = e$ and $c = a^{-1} \in H$.

consequently by part (i), H is a subgroup of G .

Theorem: 3

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If H_1, H_2 are subgroups of a group $(G, *)$ then $H_1 \cap H_2$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$.

proof: Given: H_1, H_2 are two subgroups of $(G, *)$

To prove: $H_1 \cap H_2$ is a subgroups.

Let $a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2 \Rightarrow a, b \in H_1$ and $a, b \in H_2$.

Since H_1 and H_2 are subgroups of G .

$$a, b \in H_1 \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H_1$$

$$a, b \in H_2 \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H_2$$

$$a * b^{-1} \in H_1 \cap H_2$$

$$\therefore a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2 \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H_1 \cap H_2$$

Hence, $H_1 \cap H_2$ is a subgroup of $(G, *)$.

Theorem: 4

If G is a group, let $H = \{a \in G \mid ag = ga, \text{ for all } g \in G\}$ then H is a subgroup of G .

proof: Given: G is a group

$$H = \{a \in G \mid ag = ga, \text{ for all } g \in G\}$$

To prove: H is a subgroup of G .

ie, To prove: $\forall a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$ and $a^{-1} \in H$

proof: Since $e \in G$ and $eg = ge = e$ for all $g \in G$

$$\Rightarrow e \in H$$

$\therefore H$ is non empty.

$$\forall a, b \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow ag = ga \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{and } bg = gb \rightarrow \textcircled{2} \text{ for all } g \in G.$$

(i) To prove: $ab \in H$

$$\text{proof: } (ab)g = a(bg)$$

$$= a(gb) \text{ [by } \textcircled{2}]$$

$$= (ag)b$$

$$= (ga)b$$

$$= g(ab)$$

$$\Rightarrow ab \in H$$

(ii) To prove: $a^{-1} \in H$

ie., To prove: $a^{-1}g = ga^{-1}$ for all $g \in G$

$$\text{proof: } a^{-1}(ga)a^{-1} = a^{-1}(ag)a^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}g)(aa^{-1}) = (a^{-1}a)(ga^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}g)e = ega^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}g) = ga^{-1}$$

Hence, H is a subgroup of G .

problems based on subgroups:

1. Find all subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$ group.

Solution:

To determine all subgroups of the group $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$.

Since $\{e\}$ and G are the trivial subgroups of the group G .

$\{0\}$ and \mathbb{Z}_6 are the trivial subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$

If G is a group and $\emptyset \neq H \subseteq G$, with H is finite, then H is a subgroup of G iff H is closed under the binary operation of G .

\therefore clearly $\{0, 3\}$, $\{0, 2, 4\}$ are proper subsets of group $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$.

$+$	0	3
0	0	3
3	3	0

$+$	0	2	4
0	0	2	4
2	2	4	0
4	4	0	2

From the tables we observe that $\{0, 3\}$, $\{0, 2, 4\}$ are closed under the binary operation $+$.

Hence, all subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$ are $\{0\}$, $\{0, 3\}$, $\{0, 2, 4\}$, \mathbb{Z}_6

2. Find all the subgroups of $\{\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*, \cdot\}$ group.

* Solution:

To determine all subgroups of the group $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*, \cdot)$.

Since $\{e\}$ and G are the trivial subgroups of the group G , and $\{1\}$ and \mathbb{Z}_{11}^* are the trivial subgroups of $\{\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*\}$.

If G is a group and $\phi \neq H \subseteq G$, with H is finite, then H is a subgroup of G if and only if H is closed under the binary operation of G .

Clearly $\{1, 10\}$, $\{1, 3, 4, 5, 9\}$ are proper subsets of group $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*, *)$

*	1	10
1	1	10
10	10	1

*	1	3	4	5	9
1	1	3	4	5	9
3	3	9	1	4	5
4	4	1	5	9	3
5	5	4	9	3	1
9	9	5	3	1	4

From the table we observe that $\{1, 10\}$, $\{1, 3, 4, 5, 9\}$ are closed under the binary operation.

Hence, all subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*, \cdot)$ are $\{1\}$, $\{1, 10\}$, $\{1, 3, 4, 5, 9\}$, \mathbb{Z}_{11}^* .

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1. Find all the subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +)$ group.

2. Find all the subgroups of $(\mathbb{Z}_5, *)$ group.

Set: $\{0, 6\}$, $\{0, 3, 6, 9\}$

$\{0, 4, 8\}$

$\{0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}$

Set = $\{1, 4\}$

$\{1, 3, \dots\}$

Permutation:

Let S be a non-empty set. A bijective function: $f: S \rightarrow S$ is called a permutation. If S has n elements, then the permutation is said to be of degree n .

$$\text{Let } S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}.$$

The group S_n is called the permutation group on n symbols.

Definition:

A symmetry of a rigid body is a one to one distance preserving mapping (or) transformation of the body onto itself.

1. Find all the subgroups of S_3 group.

Solution:

To determine all subgroups of the group

$$S_3 = \{1, 2, 3\}.$$

Since $\{e\}$ and G are the trivial subgroups of the group G .

$\pi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and S_3 are the trivial subgroups of $S_3 = \{1, 2, 3\}$.

The group S_3 is symmetric group with three symbols $\{1, 2, 3\}$ and the group of all permutations of the set under the binary operation function composition. The elements of S_3 are,

$$\pi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \pi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \pi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(Identity element)

$$\gamma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \gamma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \gamma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

clearly $\{\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2\}, \{\pi_0, \gamma_1\}, \{\pi_0, \gamma_2\}, \{\pi_0, \gamma_3\}$ are the proper subsets of group S_3 .

*	π_0	γ_1
π_0	π_0	γ_1
γ_1	γ_1	π_0

Let $\gamma_1 \gamma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\gamma_1 \gamma_1 = \pi_0$$

*	π_0	γ_2
π_0	π_0	γ_2
γ_2	γ_2	π_0

*	π_0	γ_3
π_0	π_0	γ_3
γ_3	γ_3	π_0

*	π_0	π_1	π_2
π_0	π_0	π_1	π_2
π_1	π_1	π_2	π_0
π_2	π_2	π_0	π_1

*	π_0	π_1	π_2	γ_1	γ_2	γ_3
π_0	π_0	π_1	π_2	γ_1	γ_2	γ_3
π_1	π_1	π_2	π_0	γ_3	γ_1	γ_2
π_2	π_2	π_0	π_1	γ_2	γ_3	γ_1
γ_1	γ_1	γ_2	γ_3	π_0	π_1	π_2
γ_2	γ_2	γ_3	γ_1	π_2	π_0	π_1
γ_3	γ_3	γ_1	γ_2	π_1	π_2	π_0

$$\pi_1 \pi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \pi_2$$

$$\pi_1 \pi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \pi_0 \quad (10)$$

$$\pi_2 \pi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = \pi_0$$

$$\pi_2 \pi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \pi_1$$

From the composition table,

$\{\pi_0\}$, $\{\pi_0, \pi_1, \pi_2\}$, $\{\pi_0, \gamma_1\}$, $\{\pi_0, \gamma_2\}$, $\{\pi_0, \gamma_3\}$ and

S_3 are the proper sub-groups of S_3 .

2. In the group S_6 , let

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine $\alpha\beta$, $\beta\alpha$, α^3 , β^4 , α^{-1} , β^{-1} , $(\alpha\beta)^{-1}$, $(\beta\alpha)^{-1}$ and $\beta^{-1}\alpha^{-1}$.

Solution:

$$(i) \alpha\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Route map:}$$

$$1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 6, \quad 2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 4$$

$$3 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 1, \quad 4 \rightarrow 6 \rightarrow 5$$

$$5 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 2, \quad 6 \rightarrow 5 \rightarrow 3.$$

$$(ii) \beta\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(iii) \alpha^3 = \alpha\alpha\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & 5 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(iv) \beta^4 = \beta\beta\beta\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(v) \alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 3 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Route Map: -1

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(vi) \beta^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(vii) (\alpha\beta)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(viii) (\beta\alpha)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 6 & 1 & 5 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(ix) \beta^{-1}\alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 3 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \beta^{-1}\alpha^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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* In a group S_5 , let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ & $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
 Find $\alpha\beta$, $\beta\alpha$, α^3 , β^4 , α^{-1} , β^{-1} , $(\alpha\beta)^{-1}$, $(\beta\alpha)^{-1}$ and $\beta^{-1}\alpha^{-1}$.

3. For all $2 \leq n \leq 5$, find an element of order n in S_5 . Also determine the (cyclic) subgroup of S_5 that each of these elements generates.

Solution: Cyclic subgroup:
 For an $a \in a$ cyclic group G

$\langle a \rangle = \{a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}, a^n = e\}$ is cyclic subgroup generated by a .

Now in S_5 , for $n=2$, $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

has order 2 and generates cyclic subgroup of S_5

given by the set $\left\{ a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = e \right\}$

For $n=3$, $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ has order 3 and generates cyclic subgroup of S_5 given by the set,

$$\left\{ a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. a^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = e \right\}$$

For $n=4$, $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ has order 4 and generates cyclic subgroup of S_5 given by the set,

$$\left\{ a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. a^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, a^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = e \right\}$$

For $n=5$,

$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ has order 5 and generates

the cyclic subgroup of S_5 given by,

$$\left\{ a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, a^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$a^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, a^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\left. a^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = e \right\}.$$

4. Let $V = \frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$ and let $A_6 = \{1, V, V^2, V^3, V^4, V^5\}$.

a) show that (A_6, \cdot) is a group

b) For each x in A_6 , list the elements of the carrier $[x]$ of the cyclic subgroup $([x], \cdot)$ and give the order of x .

c) Is (A_6, \cdot) cyclic. If so name each generator of G .

d) Is (A_6, \cdot) abelian.

Solution:

$$\text{Given: } V = \frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$$

$$V^2 = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{3}i}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} [1 - 3 + 2\sqrt{3}i]$$

$$= \frac{-1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$$

$$V^2 = \frac{-1+\sqrt{3}i}{2}$$

$$v^3 = v^2 v = \left(\frac{-1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{3}i}{2} \right) = \frac{-1}{4} = -1 \quad (b)$$

$$v^3 = -1.$$

$$v^6 = v^3 v^3 = (-1)(-1) = 1.$$

multiplication table for A_6 .

\circ	1	v	v^2	v^3	v^4	v^5
1	1	v	v^2	v^3	v^4	v^5
v	v	v^2	v^5	v^4	v^5	1
v^2	v^2	v^5	v^4	v^5	1	v
v^3	v^3	v^4	v^5	1	v	v^2
v^4	v^4	v^5	1	v	v^2	v^3
v^5	v^5	1	v	v^2	v^3	v^4

From this table 1 is the identity.

Table of inverses.

$$x : 1 \quad v \quad v^2 \quad v^3 \quad v^4 \quad v^5$$

$$x^{-1} : 1 \quad v^5 \quad v^4 \quad v^3 \quad v^2 \quad v$$

The binary operation \circ which is multiplication of complex numbers is closed and associative.

Hence (A_6, \circ) is a group.

$$b) [1] = \{1\}, [v] = A_6 = [v^5]$$

$$[v^2] = \{1, v^2, v^4\} = [v^4], [v^3] = \{1, v^3\}.$$

$x :$	1	v	v^2	v^3	v^4	v^5
order of $x :$	1	6	3	2	3	6

(c) Yes, $(Ab, *)$ is a cyclic group and each of v^1 and v^5 is a generator.

(d) Yes, abelian group, since $x * y = y * x$ for any $x, y \in Ab$.

5. Show that the set of rigid motions (symmetries) of a square with the binary operation of composition is a non-abelian group.

Solution:

The set of all symmetries (rigid motion) of a square is $F = \{f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8\}$.

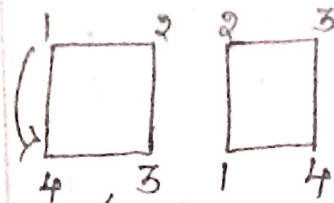
Let $*$ be the binary operation of F (which is a set of 8 functions) defined as composition

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)).$$

The symmetries (rigid motion) of a square.

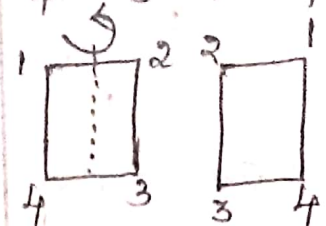
S. NO	Name	Rigid Motion		Permutation of vertices.
		Before	After	
1.	f_1 identity			$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$
2.	f_2 rotate 90° clockwise			$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
3.	f_3 rotate 180° clockwise			$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

4. f_4 rotate 90°
Counter-clockwise



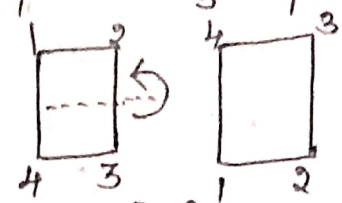
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. f_5 reflect



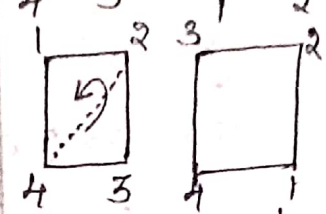
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. f_6 reflect



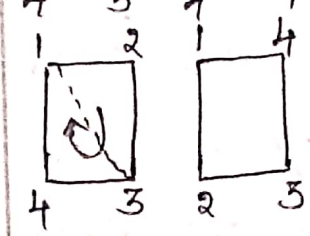
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

7. f_7 reflect



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

8. f_8 reflect



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

To composition table is,

*	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	f_6	f_7	f_8
f_1	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	f_6	f_7	f_8
f_2	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_1	f_7	f_8	f_6	f_5
f_3	f_3	f_4	f_1	f_2	f_6	f_5	f_8	f_7
f_4	f_4	f_1	f_2	f_3	f_8	f_7	f_5	f_6
f_5	f_5	f_8	f_6	f_7	f_1	f_3	f_4	f_2
f_6	f_6	f_7	f_5	f_8	f_3	f_1	f_2	f_4
f_7	f_7	f_5	f_8	f_6	f_2	f_4	f_1	f_3
f_8	f_8	f_6	f_7	f_5	f_4	f_2	f_3	f_1

Example: $f_3 \circ f_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = f_2$$

$$f_3 \circ f_4 = f_2.$$

Hence the composition \circ binary is a closure operation and is associative.

For example: $f_8 \circ (f_3 \circ f_6) = f_8 \circ (f_5) = f_4$ and

$$(f_8 \circ f_3) \circ f_6 = f_7 \circ f_6 = f_4.$$

Hence, $f_8 \circ (f_3 \circ f_6) = (f_8 \circ f_3) \circ f_6$

The identity e is f_1 as is evident from the elements of the first row and first column of the composition table.

Inverse Table is,

f_1	f_2	f_3	f_4	f_5	f_6	f_7	f_8
f_1	f_4	f_3	f_2	f_5	f_6	f_7	f_8

Hence, (F, \circ) is a group. But it is not an abelian group since for example,

$$f_5 \circ f_2 = f_8 \neq f_7 = f_2 \circ f_5.$$

6. Find the elements in the groups U_{20} and U_{24} - the groups of units for the rings $(\mathbb{Z}_{20}, +, \circ)$ and $(\mathbb{Z}_{24}, +, \circ)$ respectively.

Solution: To find the elements in the groups U_{20} and U_{24} which are the groups of units for the rings $(\mathbb{Z}_{20}, +, \cdot)$ and $(\mathbb{Z}_{24}, +, \cdot)$ respectively.

Since units of the rings $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, \cdot)$ are defined as,

$$U_n = \{ a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(a, n) = 1 \text{ and } 1 \leq a \leq n-1 \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore U_{20} &= \{ a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(a, 20) = 1 \text{ and } 1 \leq a \leq 19 \} \\ &= \{ 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 13, 17, 19 \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } U_{24} &= \{ a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid \gcd(a, 24) = 1 \text{ and } 1 \leq a \leq 23 \} \\ &= \{ 1, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23 \} \end{aligned}$$

7. Find x in (U_{16}, \cdot) where $x \neq 1, x \neq 15$ but $x = x^{-1}$.

Solution:

To find x in (U_{16}, \cdot) where $x \neq 1, x \neq 15$ but $x = x^{-1}$.

w.k.T (U_{16}, \cdot) is a group under the closed binary operation of Multiplication Modulo 16.

To find the inverse of each the elements.

\cdot	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15
1	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15
3	3	9	15	5	11	1	7	13
5	5	15	9	3	13	7	1	11
7	7	5	3	1	15	13	11	9
9	9	11	13	15	1	3	5	7
11	11	1	7	13	3	9	15	5
13	13	7	1	11	5	15	9	3
15	15	13	11	9	7	5	3	1

we observe that $T^2=1$ and $q^2=1$,

$$\therefore T = T^{-1} \text{ and } q = q^{-1}$$

Hence $x = T$ and q .

H.W:

Find x in $(U_8, *)$ where $x \neq 1$ and $x \neq T$ but $x = x^{-1}$.

8. state and prove Wilson's Theorem (or)
prove that $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, for p a prime.

Solution:

To prove that $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$, for p a prime.
The result is true for $p=2$.

Assume that result is true for $p \geq 3$.

since $(\mathbb{Z}_p^*, *)$ is group, every non-zero element 'a' has a unique multiplication say a^{-1} .

[Lagrange's theorem says that the only values of 'a' for which $a = a^{-1} \pmod{p}$ are $a \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{p}$ because the congruence $a^2 \equiv 1$ can have at most two roots \pmod{p}]

\therefore with the exception of ± 1 , the factor of $(p-1)!$ can be arranged in unequal pairs, where the product of each pair is $\equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

Thus, $(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.

This proves the Wilson's Theorem.

Homomorphism - Isomorphism - cyclic groups: (22)

Homomorphism:

If $(G, *)$ and $(H, *)$ are groups and $f: G \rightarrow H$, then f is called a group homomorphism if for all $a, b \in G$, $f(a \cdot b) = f(a) * f(b)$.

Isomorphism:

If $f: (G, *) \rightarrow (H, *)$ is a homomorphism, then f is an isomorphism, if it is one-to-one and onto. In this case, G, H are said to be isomorphism groups.

Cyclic: A group G is called cyclic, if there is an element $x \in G$ such that for each $a \in G$, $a = x^n$ for some $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Properties of Homomorphism:

Let (G, \cdot) , $(H, *)$ be groups with respect identities e_G, e_H .

If $f: G \rightarrow H$ is a homomorphism, then

a) $f(e_G) = e_H$

b) $f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1}$ for all $a \in G$.

c) $f(a^n) = [f(a)]^n$ for all $a \in G$ and all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

d) $f(S)$ is a subgroup of H for each subgroup S of G .

Theorem: 1

Let (G, \circ) , $(H, *)$ be groups with respect identities e_G, e_H . If $f: G \rightarrow H$ is a homomorphism, then:

- (a) $f(e_G) = e_H$
- (b) $f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1}$ for all $a \in G$
- (c) $f(a^n) = [f(a)]^n$ for all $a \in G$ and all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- (d) $f(S)$ is a subgroup of H for each subgroup S of G .

proof:

$$(a) \quad e_H * f(e_G) = f(e_G) = f(e_G * e_G) \\ = f(e_G) * f(e_G)$$

$$\Rightarrow e_H = f(e_G) \quad \text{by [Right-cancellation law]}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(e_G) = e_H$$

$$(b) \quad f(a) * f(a^{-1}) = f(a * a^{-1}) = f(e_G) = e_H \quad \text{and} \\ f(a^{-1}) * f(a) = f(a^{-1} * a) = f(e_G) = e_H$$

$$\Rightarrow f(a^{-1}) = \text{Inverse of } f(a) = [f(a)]^{-1}$$

proof:

* (a) Let $e_G \in G$ and $e_H \in H$ be the identity elements.

$$\text{Let } e_G * e_G = e_G$$

$$\Rightarrow f(e_G * e_G) = f(e_G)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(e_G) * f(e_G) = f(e_G) * e_H \quad [\because e_H \text{ is identity}]$$

$$\Rightarrow f(e_G) = e_H \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \quad (\text{by left cancellation law})$$

* (b) Let $a \in G$, then $a^{-1} \in G$ and $a * a^{-1} = e_G = a^{-1} * a$
 $f(a * a^{-1}) = f(e_G) = f(a^{-1} * a)$

$$\Rightarrow f(a) * f(a^{-1}) = e_H = f(a^{-1}) * f(a) \text{ by } \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow [f(a)]^{-1} = f(a^{-1}).$$

(c) let n be a positive integer and $a \in G$.

$$f(a^n) = f(\underbrace{a * a * \dots * a}_{n \text{ times}})$$

$$= f(a) * f(a) * \dots * f(a) \dots n \text{ times.}$$

$$f(a^n) = [f(a)]^n, \text{ for any } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+, a \in G. \textcircled{2}$$

Let us assume that the result is true for

$n = k (\geq 1)$. $\therefore n = k + 1$ we have,

$$f(a^n) = f(a^{k+1}) = f(a^k * a) = f(a^k) * f(a)$$

$$= [f(a)]^k * f(a) \text{ by } \textcircled{2}$$

$$= [f(a)]^{k+1}$$

$$= [f(a)]^n.$$

So by the principle of Mathematical induction the result is true for all $n \geq 1$.

For $n < 1$, we have $-n \geq 1$,

$$a^{-1} \in G \Rightarrow f(a^n) = [f(a^{-1})]^{-n}$$

$$f(a^n) = \left[[f(a)]^{-1} \right]^{-n} \quad \left[\because f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1} \right]$$

for all $a \in G$.

$$= [f(a)]^n.$$

Hence, $f(a^n) = [f(a)]^n$ for all $a \in G$ and for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

d) If S is a subgroup of G , then $S \neq \emptyset$,

so $f(S) \neq \emptyset$.

Let $x, y \in f(S)$.

Then $x = f(a), y = f(b)$ for some $a, b \in S$.
 Since S is a subgroup of G , it follows that $a * b \in S$,

so $x * y = f(a) * f(b) = f(a * b) \in f(S)$.

$x^{-1} = [f(a)]^{-1} = f(a^{-1}) \in f(S)$ because $a^{-1} \in S$ when $a \in S$.

$f(S)$ is a subgroup of H .

Theorem: 2.

Let $a \in G$ with $o(a) = n$, if $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $a^k = e$, then n/k .

proof: let $k = qn + r$ [by division algorithm] $0 \leq r < n$.

$$e = a^k = a^{qn+r} = a^{qn} a^r = (a^n)^q (a^r) = e^q (a^r) = a^r$$

If $0 < r < n$, we get contradiction to $o(a) = n$.

Hence $r = 0$ and $k = qn \Rightarrow n/k$.

$n/k \quad k = qn + r$
 $\boxed{k = qn} \quad 3/12 \quad 3/14$
 $12 = (3 \times 4) + 0/4 = (3 \times 4) + 0$
3/12

Theorem: 3

Let G be a cyclic group.

- (a) If $|G|$ is infinite, then G is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$.
- (b) If $|G| = n$, where $n > 1$, then G is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +)$.

solution:

(a) let a be a generator of G

$$G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Let $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ by $f(a^k) = k$.

(i) To prove: f is homomorphism

For $a^m, a^n \in G$.

$$f(a^m \cdot a^n) = f(a^{m+n}) = m+n = f(a^m) + f(a^n)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is a homomorphism.

$$f(a^m) = f(a^n).$$

(ii) To prove: f is one-to-one.

$$\text{Then, let } f(a^m) = f(a^n)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = n$$

Hence, f is one-to-one.

(iii) To prove: f is onto.

For any $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have $a^k \in G$ and $f(a^k) = k$.

$\therefore f$ is onto.

Hence, there exists an isomorphism from G onto $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$.

This means that G and $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ are isomorphic.

b) If $G = \langle a \rangle = \{a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}, a^n = e\}$

$f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n$ by $f(a^k) = [k]$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

(i) To prove: f is homomorphism,

Let $a^r, a^s \in G$, $1 \leq r \leq n$, $1 \leq s \leq n$.

$$f(a^r a^s) = f(a^{r+s}) = [r+s]$$

$$= [r] + [s]$$

$$= a^r + a^s \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_n$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is a homomorphism.

(ii) To prove: f is one-to-one.

$$f(a^r) = f(a^s) \Rightarrow [r] = [s]$$

$$\Rightarrow r \equiv s \pmod{n}$$

$\Rightarrow (r-s)$ is a multiple of n

$$\Rightarrow (a^{r-s}) = e$$

$$\Rightarrow a^r a^{-s} = e$$

$$\Rightarrow a^r = a^s$$

$$\begin{aligned} 10 &\equiv 2 \pmod{8} \\ 10 - 2 &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{10}{8}\right) \equiv 1 \pmod{8}$$

(iii) To prove: f is onto.

G and \mathbb{Z}_n are finite sets.

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

Hence, there exists an isomorphism from G onto $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +)$. This means that G and $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +)$ are isomorphic.

Theorem: 4

Every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.

proof:

Let $G = \langle a \rangle$

Let H be a subgroup of G

If $H = \{e\}$, then the result is trivial.

If $H \neq \{e\}$.

Let t be the smallest positive integer such that $a^t \in H$. We claim $H = \langle a^t \rangle$. Since $a^t \in H$, by the closure

Let $b \in H$, then $b = a^s$ for some $s \in \mathbb{Z}$. $\langle a^t \rangle \subseteq H$.

By division algorithm,

$$s = qt + r \text{ where } q, r \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } 0 \leq r < t.$$

$$\text{consequently } a^s = a^{qt+r}$$

For the opposite inclusion.

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$$\Rightarrow r = s - qt \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^r = a^{s-qt} = a^s a^{-qt} = a^s (a^t)^{-q}$$

High school group of $(a^t)^{-q}$

$$= b (a^t)^{-q} \in H \quad [\because b \in H \text{ and } (a^t)^{-q} \in H]$$

But t is the smallest positive integer such that $a^t \in H$. which is contradiction to $r < t$.

$$a^t \in H. \quad \Rightarrow r = 0.$$

Hence, $s = qt$

$$\Rightarrow b = a^s = a^{qt} = (a^t)^q \in \langle a^t \rangle.$$

So $H = \langle a^t \rangle$, a cyclic group.

THEOREM: 5

For a group G , prove that the function $f: G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(a) = a^{-1}$ is an isomorphism if and only if G is abelian.

Proof:

If part:

Assume that f is an isomorphism

To prove that G is abelian.

$$\text{For } a, b \in G \quad \begin{matrix} \searrow & & \searrow \\ a^{-1} & b^{-1} & \\ \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \searrow & & \searrow \\ f(a) & f(b) & \\ \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \searrow & & \searrow \\ f(a \cdot b) & & \\ \end{matrix}$$

$$a^{-1} b^{-1} = f(a) f(b) = f(a \cdot b) = (ab)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1} b^{-1})^{-1} = ((ab)^{-1})^{-1}, \text{ by taking inverse of both sides.}$$

$$\Rightarrow (b^{-1})^{-1} \cdot (a^{-1})^{-1} = ab \Rightarrow ba = ab$$

$\Rightarrow G$ is abelian.

Only if part:

Assume that G is abelian

To prove that f is an isomorphism.

(i) To prove f is a homomorphism:

For $a, b \in G$,

$$f(ab) = (ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1} = f(a)f(b)$$

Since G is abelian,

$\therefore f$ is a homomorphism.

(ii) To prove f is one-to-one:

$$\text{Let } f(a) = f(b).$$

$$\text{Then } a^{-1} = b^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1})^{-1} = (b^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = b$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is one-to-one.

(iii) To prove f is onto:

Let $a \in G$, Then $a^{-1} \in G$ and we have,

$$f(a^{-1}) = (a^{-1})^{-1} = a$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

$\therefore f$ is an isomorphism.

Theorem: 6

Let $f: G \rightarrow H$ be a group Homomorphism onto H .
If G is abelian, prove that H is abelian.

Proof: Let $x, y \in H$, Then

f is onto \Rightarrow there exist $a, b \in G$ such that
 $f(a) = x$ and $f(b) = y$.

G is abelian $\Rightarrow ab = ba$

$$\Rightarrow f(ab) = f(ba)$$

$\Rightarrow f(a)f(b) = f(b)f(a)$, since f is a homomorphism.

$$\Rightarrow xy = yx, \forall x, y \in H$$

$\therefore H$ is abelian.

1. Define $f: U_9 \rightarrow \langle \mathbb{Z}_6, + \rangle$ as follows:

$$f(1) = f(2^0) = 0, f(2) = f(2^1) = 1$$

$$f(4) = f(2^2) = 2, f(5) = f(2^5) = 5$$

$$f(7) = f(2^4) = 4, f(8) = f(2^3) = 3$$

where $U_9 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$, the set of all units in \mathbb{Z}_6 .

Then f is an isomorphism.

Solution: Let $a, b \in U_9$

Then $a = 2^m$ and $b = 2^n$ for $0 \leq m, n \leq 5$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore f(ab) &= f(2^m 2^n) = f(2^{m+n}) = [m+n] = [m] + [n] \\ &= f(2^m) + f(2^n) \end{aligned}$$

$$f(ab) = f(a) + f(b)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is a homomorphism.

Clearly, f is both one to one and onto.

Hence, f is an isomorphism.

2. Show that $f: (\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +)$, where $f(x) = \log_{10} x$.
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ is an isomorphism.

* **Solution:** If $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$ then $\log x \in \mathbb{R}$

Also $\log x$ is unique.

\therefore If $f(x) = \log x$ then $f: (\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +)$

(i) To prove f is one-to-one:

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ then $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$

$$\Rightarrow \log x_1 = \log x_2$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\log x_1} = e^{\log x_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = x_2$$

$\therefore f$ is one-to-one.

(ii) To prove f is onto:

Suppose $y \in \mathbb{R}$ i.e., $y \in \mathbb{R}^+$

$$\Rightarrow e^y \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$f(e^y) = \log e^y = y$$

Thus $y \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \exists e^y \in \mathbb{R}^+$

such that $f(e^y) = y$

\therefore each element of \mathbb{R} is the f image of some element of \mathbb{R}^+

$\Rightarrow f$ is onto.

(iii) To prove f preserves compositions in \mathbb{R}^+ and \mathbb{R} .

Let $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ then

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \log(x_1, x_2).$$

$$= \log x_1 + \log x_2$$

$$= f(x_1) + f(x_2)$$

$\Rightarrow f$ is an isomorphism of \mathbb{R}^+ onto \mathbb{R} .

Hence, $\mathbb{R}^+ \cong \mathbb{R}$.

3. Show that $(M, *)$ is an abelian group where $M = \{A, A^2, A^3, A^4\}$ with $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $*$ is ordinary Matrix Multiplication. Further prove that $(M, *)$ is isomorphic to the abelian group $(G, *)$ where $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ and $*$ is ordinary Multiplication.

Solution:

(a) Given: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M = \{A, A^2, A^3, A^4\}$$

To prove: $(M, *)$ is an abelian group.

Proof: (i) Closure property:

For all $1 \leq m, n \leq 4$

$$A^m \cdot A^n = A^{m+n} = A^r, \quad 1 \leq r \leq 4$$

$$m+n = r \pmod{4}$$

$\Rightarrow *$ is a closure.

$$A^2 A^3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0+0 & -1+0 \\ 0+1 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(ii) Associative property:

Since matrix multiplication is associative,
so $*$ is associative.

(iii) Existence of identity:

$$A^4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = e \text{ is the identity.}$$

(iv) Existence of Inverse:

$$A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A^3$$

$$A^{-2} = (A^2)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = A^2$$

$$A^{-3} = (A^3)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = A^1$$

$$A^{-4} = (A^4)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A^0$$

Hence every element in M has a multiplicative inverse.

(v) Abelian property: For all $1 \leq m, n \leq 4$

$$A^m \cdot A^n = A^{m+n} = A^{n+m} = A^n \cdot A^m$$

so $*$ is commutative.

Hence $(M, *)$ is an abelian group.

(b) Define $f: M \rightarrow G_1$ such that,

$$f(A) = i, f(A^2) = -1 = i^2$$

$$f(A^3) = -i \neq i^3, f(A^4) = 1 = i^4$$

Then f is 1-1, onto and preserves the operation.

Hence, f is an isomorphism from M to G_1 .

Observe that $g: M \rightarrow G_1$ defined by,

$g(A) = -i, g(A^2) = -1, g(A^3) = i, g(A^4) = 1$ is also
isomorphism.

COSETS AND LAGRANGE'S THEOREM:

Left coset:

If H is a subgroup of G , then for each $a \in G$, the set $aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\}$ is called a left coset of H in G .

Right coset:

If H is a subgroup of G , then for each $a \in G$, the set $Ha = \{ha \mid h \in H\}$ is called a right coset of H in G .

Lemma:

If H is a subgroup of the finite group G , then for all $a, b \in G$

a) $|aH| = |H|$

b) either $aH = bH$ (or) $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$.

Proof:

Given: H is a subgroup of G .

a) Since $aH = \{ah \mid h \in H\} \Rightarrow |aH| \leq |H|$.

If $|aH| < |H|$, we have $ah_i = ah_j$ with h_i, h_j distinct elements of H .
 $x.a \neq x.b$ $h_i, h_j \in H, h_i \neq h_j$

By left-cancellation in G we then get the contradiction $h_i = h_j$, so $|aH| = |H|$.

b) If $aH \cap bH \neq \emptyset$, let $c = ah_1 = bh_2$, for some $h_1, h_2 \in H$.

If $x \in aH$, then $x = ah_3$ for some $h_3 \in H$ and so,

$x = (bh_2h_1^{-1})h_3 = b(h_2h_1^{-1}h_3) \in bH$ and $aH \subseteq bH$.

Similarly, $y \in bH \Rightarrow y = bh_4$ for some $h_4 \in H$

$a = bh_2h_1^{-1}$ $x = ah_3 = (bh_2h_1^{-1})h_3 = b(h_2h_1^{-1}h_3) \in H$

$b = ah_2$ $y = bh_4 = (ah_2)h_4 = a(h_2h_4) \in aH$

$$\Rightarrow y = (ah_1h_2^{-1})h_3 = a(h_1h_2^{-1}h_3) \in aH.$$

$$\text{So } bH \subseteq aH.$$

Therefore aH and bH are either disjoint or identical.

Theorem: Lagrange's Theorem:

If G is a finite group of order n with H is a subgroup of order m , then m divides n .

Proof: Let $|G| = o(G) = n$ and $o(H) = m$.

Since G is a finite group, H is finite.

\therefore The number of \cos -sets of H in G is finite.

Let Ha_1, Ha_2, \dots, Ha_r be the distinct right \cos -sets of H in G .

Then by the right \cos -set decomposition of G , we have

$$G = Ha_1 \cup Ha_2 \cup Ha_3 \cup \dots \cup Ha_r$$

$$\text{So that, } o(G) = o(Ha_1) + o(Ha_2) + \dots + o(Ha_r)$$

$$\text{But } o(Ha_1) = o(Ha_2) = \dots = o(Ha_r) = o(H) \text{ (by Lemma (i))}$$

$$\therefore o(G) = o(H) + o(H) + o(H) + \dots + o(H) \text{ (r terms)}$$

$$o(G) = r o(H) \Rightarrow n = rm$$

This shows that $o(H)$ divides $o(G)$.

$$\Rightarrow m/n$$

Hence the Lagrange's Theorem.

Corollary: 1

If G is a finite group and $a \in G$, then $o(a)$ divides $|G|$.

proof: Let, $o(a) = m$,

Then the subgroup H , of G , generated by 'a' is given by, $H = \langle a \rangle = \{a, a^2, \dots, a^m\}$

$\Rightarrow |H| = m$. [Since: if $a^i = a^j$, for $1 \leq i, j \leq m$, then $a^{j-i} = e$, with $0 < j-i < m$, contradicting the minimality of m].

\rightarrow By Lagrange's theorem, $|H|$ divides $|G|$

$$\Rightarrow m \mid |G|$$

$$\Rightarrow o(a) \mid |G|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= a^3 \\ a^{2-3} &= a^{-1} = e \end{aligned}$$

Corollary: 2.

Every group of prime order is cyclic.

proof:

Let G be a group of prime order p , and $a \in G$.
w.k.T, If G is finite group and $a \in G$,
then $o(a)$ divides $|G|$.

\therefore we get $o(a)$ divides p .

Since p is prime, then $o(a) = p$

Hence, $G = \langle a \rangle$ and G is a cyclic group.

Theorem:

Let H and K be subgroups of a group G , where e is the identity of G .

If $|H| = m$ and $|K| = n$ with $\gcd(m, n) = 1$,
prove that $H \cap K = \{e\}$.

Proof:

Given: If H and K are subgroups of G ,
and $|H| = m$ and $|K| = n$.

Suppose $H \cap K$ is a subgroup of H

$\Rightarrow |H \cap K|$ divides $|H| = m$.

and $H \cap K$ is a subgroup of K

$\Rightarrow |H \cap K|$ divides $|K| = n$.

$|H \cap K|$ divides both m and n and ^{Given} $\gcd(m, n) = 1$.

$\Rightarrow |H \cap K| = 1$

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

Since $e \in H \cap K$.

1. For the group $G = (\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +)$ and the subgroup,
 $H = \{[0], [4], [8]\}$ of G , find all the left co-sets
of H in G . Also, obtain the corresponding co-set
decomposition of G .

Solution:

$$\text{Let } \mathbb{Z}_{12} = \{[0], [1], [2], \dots, [11]\}$$

The left co-sets of the given H w.r. to $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_{12}$ is
given by,

$$\begin{aligned} [a] + H &= \{[a] + [h] \mid [h] \in H\} \\ &= \{[a] + [0], [a] + [4], [a] + [8]\} \end{aligned}$$

varying $[a]$ over the elements of \mathbb{Z}_{12} , we get the
left co-sets of H as given below:

$$[0] + H = \{ [0] + [0], [0] + [4], [0] + [8] \}$$

$$= \{ [0], [4], [8] \}$$

$$[4] + H = \{ [4], [8], [0] \}$$

$$[8] + H = \{ [8], [0], [4] \}$$

$$\therefore [0] + H = [4] + H = [8] + H = H.$$

$$[1] + H = \{ [1] + [0], [1] + [4], [1] + [8] \}$$

$$= \{ [1], [5], [9] \}$$

$$[5] + H = \{ [5], [9], [1] \}$$

$$[9] + H = \{ [9], [1], [5] \}$$

$$\therefore [1] + H = [5] + H = [9] + H.$$

$$[2] + H = \{ [2] + [0], [2] + [4], [2] + [8] \}$$

$$= \{ [2], [6], [10] \}$$

$$[6] + H = \{ [6], [10], [2] \}$$

$$[10] + H = \{ [10], [2], [6] \}$$

$$\therefore [2] + H = [6] + H = [10] + H.$$

$$[3] + H = \{ [3] + 0, [3] + [4], [3] + [8] \}$$

$$= \{ [3], [7], [11] \}$$

$$[7] + H = \{ [7], [11], [3] \}$$

$$[11] + H = \{ [11], [3], [7] \}$$

$$\therefore [3] + H = [7] + H = [11] + H.$$

$(\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +) = ([0] + H) \cup ([1] + H) \cup ([2] + H) \cup ([3] + H)$ is a partition of G .

2. a) For $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ find the subgroup $k = \langle \beta \rangle$.

b) Determine the left co-sets of k in $G = S_4$.

Solution:

a) $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ has order 4 and generates the cyclic subgroup,

$$k = \langle \beta \rangle = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \beta^4 = e \right\} \text{ of } S_4.$$

b) Let co-sets of k in $G = S_4$.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} k = k.$$

RINGS

Definition: Ring

Let R be a non-empty set on which we have two closed binary operations, denoted by $+$ and \cdot .

Then $(R, +, \cdot)$ is a ring if for all $a, b, c \in R$,

The following conditions are satisfied.

- a) $a + b = b + a$ Commutative law of $+$
- b) $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$. Associative law of $+$
- c) There exists $z \in R$ such that Existence of identity $+$
 $a + z = z + a = a$ for every $a \in R$.
- d) For each $a \in R$ there is an element Existence of
 $b \in R$ with $a + b = b + a = z$ inverse $+$
- e) If $a, b \in R \Rightarrow a * b \in R$ Closure $*$
- f) $a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$ Associative law of $*$
- g) $a * (b + c) = a * b + a * c$ } Distributive laws of
 $(b + c) * a = b * a + c * a$ } $*$ over $+$.

Definition:

Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring

- a) If $a * b = b * a$ for all $a, b \in R$, then R is called a commutative ring
- b) The ring R is said to have no proper divisors of zero if for all $a, b \in R$, $ab = z \Rightarrow a = z$ (or) $b = z$.
- c) A ring with unity, if there is an element $1 \in R$ such that $a * 1 = 1 * a = a \forall a \in R$. Then 1 is called a unity or multiplicative identity.

a) Let R be a ring with unity u , if $a \in R$ and there exists $b \in R$ such that $ab = ba = u$ then b is called a multiplicative inverse of a and a is called a unit of R .

Integral domain & Field:

Let R be a commutative ring with unity.

Then:

- a) R is said to be an integral domain, if it has no zero divisors. (i.e., $ab = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$ or $b = 0$).
- b) R is said to be a field, if every non-zero element in R is a unit.

Subring:

Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring. Then a non-empty subset S of R is said to be a subring of R , if $(S, +, \cdot)$ itself is a ring.

EX: 1) $\{0\}$ and R are subrings of $(R, +, \cdot)$

2) $(\mathbb{Z}, +, \cdot)$ is a subring of $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot)$, which is a subring of $(\mathbb{R}, +, \cdot)$.

Ideal:

A non-empty subset I of a ring R is called an Ideal of R , if for all $a, b \in I$ and all $r \in R$, we have,

a) $a - b \in I$

b) $ar, ra \in I$.

Properties of Rings:

In any ring $(R, +, \cdot)$

- 1) The zero element z is unique. [$b \cdot 0 = 0$]
- 2) The additive inverse of every element is unique. [$b = \bar{c}$]
- 3) The Cancellation law's of Addition are valid.
 - a) $a + b = a + c \Rightarrow b = c$
 - b) $b + a = c + a \Rightarrow b = c$

Theorem: 1

For any ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ and any $a \in R$, we have
 $az = za = z$.

Proof:

If $a \in R$ then $az = a(z+z)$, [$\because z+z=z$]

$$\text{Hence, } z + az = az = a(z+z)$$

$$z + az = az + az \quad [\text{by Right C. Law}]$$

$$z = az$$

lly, $za = z$.

$$\text{Hence, } az = za = z.$$

Theorem: 2

If $(R, +, \cdot)$ is a ring and if $a, b \in R$ then

$$\text{a) } -(-a) = a$$

$$\text{b) } a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab)$$

$$\text{c) } (-a)(-b) = ab.$$

Proof:

$$\text{a) } (-a) + a = z \text{ and } (-a) + (-(-a)) = z$$

since $-a$ is the additive inverse of a and

$-(-a)$ is the additive inverse of $-a$.

$$\Rightarrow (-a) + a = (-a) + (-(-a))$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -(-a), \text{ by left cancellation.}$$

$$b) \quad a(b + (-b)) = a(b + (-b)) = a \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a(-b + b) = a(-b) + a \cdot b$$

$$\Rightarrow a \cdot 0 = a(-b) + a \cdot b$$

$$\Rightarrow a \cdot (-b) = - (a \cdot b)$$

$$\text{Hence, } (-a) \cdot b = - (a \cdot b).$$

$$\text{Hence } (-a)b = a(-b) = - (ab).$$

$$c) \text{ we know that } a(-b) = - (a \cdot b)$$

Replacing a by $-a$ we get,

$$(-a)(-b) = - (-a \cdot b) = - [- (a \cdot b)] = a \cdot b.$$

$$\text{Hence, } (-a)(-b) = ab.$$

Theorem: 3

Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a commutative ring with unity.

Then R is an integral domain if and only if, for all $a, b, c \in R$ where $a \neq 0$, $ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$.

(OR)

A commutative ring with unity is an integral domain if and only if the cancellation laws holds in R .

Proof: If R is an integral domain.

Let $x, y \in R$

$$\Rightarrow xy = 0$$

$$x = 0 \text{ or } y = 0$$

$$\text{Now } ab = ac$$

$$\Rightarrow ab - ac = a(b - c) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow b - c = 0 \quad [\because a \neq 0]$$

$$\text{(or) } b = c.$$

Converse part:

R is commutative with unity and R satisfies Multiplicative Cancellation.

Let $a, b \in R$

$$ab = 0$$

If $a = 0$ the result holds good.

If $a \neq 0$

$$a0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = a0$$

$$\Rightarrow b = 0$$

So there are no proper divisors of zero and R is an integral domain.

Theorem: 4

If $(F, +, \cdot)$ is a field, then it is an integral domain.

Proof: Let $a, b \in F$ with $ab = 0$.

If $a = 0$, then the result holds good.

If not, 'a' has a multiplicative inverse a^{-1} because F is a field.

$$\text{Then } ab = 0 \Rightarrow a^{-1}(ab) = a^{-1}0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}a)b = a^{-1}0 \Rightarrow 1b = 0 \Rightarrow b = 0$$

Hence, F has no proper divisors of zero and is an integral domain.

Theorem: 5

A finite Integral domain $(D, +, \cdot)$ is a field.

Proof: To prove D is a field,

we need to prove that every non-zero element in D has a multiplicative inverse.

Let $a \neq \tau$ be in D .

Since D is finite, Let $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ be the only distinct elements of D .

Consider, $A = \{aa_1, aa_2, \dots, aa_n\}$ in D .

We claim that they are all distinct elements.

To prove this claim assume the contrary that,

$$aa_i = aa_j \text{ with } a_i \neq a_j$$

$$\Rightarrow a(a_i - a_j) = \tau \text{ with } a_i - a_j \neq \tau$$

$$\nRightarrow a = \tau \text{ (since, } F \text{ is an I.D.)}$$

This is a contradiction.

\therefore our claim is proved.

$$\text{Hence } A = \{aa_1, \dots, aa_n\} = D$$

Since $1 \in D$, $1 = aa_j$ for some j with $1 \leq j \leq n$.

$\Rightarrow a_j \in D$ is the multiplicative inverse of a

$\Rightarrow D$ is a field.

Theorem: 6

Given a ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ a non-empty subset S of R is a subring of R if and only if,

1) For all $a, b \in S$, we have $a + b, ab \in S$ and.

2) For all $a \in S \Rightarrow -a \in S$.

Proof:

a) Let $(S, +, \cdot)$ is a subring of R for all $a, b \in S$

$\Rightarrow ab \in S$ by definition of ring

$\Rightarrow a \in S$ and $b \in S$ [$\because (S, +)$ is a group]

$\Rightarrow a + b \in S$

Hence, $(S, +, \cdot)$ is a subring of R then $a + b, ab \in S$ for all $a, b \in S$.

Converse part:

Let $a + b, ab \in S$ for all $a, b \in S$

To prove: $(S, +, \cdot)$ is a subring of R

b) Let $a \in S$

$\Rightarrow a - a = z \in S$ and $z + a = a \in S$

Also if $b \in S$ then,

$$a + (-b) = a - b \in S$$

Hence, $a - (-b) = a + b \in S$.

Hence, $a + b, ab \in S$ for all $a, b \in S$.

Then $(S, +, \cdot)$ is a subring of R .

Problems based on Rings:

1. Consider the set Z together with the binary operations of \oplus and \odot , which are defined by,

$$x \oplus y = x + y - 1 \text{ and } x \odot y = x + y - xy$$

For $x, y \in Z$. prove that (Z, \oplus, \odot) is a ring.

Solution:

(i) Closure axiom under \oplus :

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$x \oplus y = x + y - 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

\Rightarrow closure is true.

(ii) Associative axiom under \oplus :

Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$(x \oplus y) \oplus z = (x + y - 1) \oplus z$$

$$= x + y - 1 + z - 1$$

$$= x + y + z - 2$$

$$x \oplus (y \oplus z) = x \oplus (y + z - 1)$$

$$= x + y + z - 1 - 1$$

$$= x + y + z - 2$$

$$\therefore (x \oplus y) \oplus z = x \oplus (y \oplus z) \quad \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence, \oplus is associative in \mathbb{Z} .

(iii) Existence of zero element:

Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and let $x \oplus e = x$

$$\text{Then } x + e - 1 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow e = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\therefore 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$ is the zero element, under \oplus

(iv) Existence of additive inverse:

Let $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ and let $x \oplus x' = 1$

$$\text{Then } x + x' - 1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x' = 2 - x \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\therefore 2 - x \in \mathbb{Z}$ is the additive inverse of x .

$$x + x = x.$$

$$x + x - 1 = x$$

$$x + x = x + 1$$

$$x = 1 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$x \oplus -x = x.$$

$$x - x - 1 = 1$$

$$x \oplus x' = x$$

$$x + x' = 1$$

$$x + x' - 1 = 1$$

$$x' = -x + 1 + 1$$

$$x' = 2 - x \in \mathbb{Z}$$

(v) Commutative axiom under \oplus :

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then,

$$x \oplus y = x + y - 1 \text{ and } y \oplus x = y + x - 1 = x + y - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x \oplus y = y \oplus x, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\Rightarrow \oplus$ is commutative in \mathbb{Z} .

(vi) Closure axiom under \odot :

Let $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, Then

$$x \odot y = x + y - xy \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\text{Thus, } x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow x \odot y \in \mathbb{Z}$$

\Rightarrow closure axiom is true under \odot

(vii) Associative axiom under \odot :

Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$, Then

$$\begin{aligned} (x \odot y) \odot z &= (x + y - xy) \odot z \\ &= x + y - xy + z - (x + y - xy)z \\ &= x + y + z - xy - yz - zx + xyz \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x \odot (y \odot z) &= x \odot (y + z - yz) \\ &= x + y + z - yz - x(y + z - yz) \\ &= x + y + z - yz - xy - zx + xyz \\ &= x + y + z - xy - yz - zx + xyz \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow (x \odot y) \odot z = x \odot (y \odot z), \forall x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$\Rightarrow \odot$ is associative.

(viii) Distributive axiom:

Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$, Then

$$x \odot (y \oplus z) = x \odot (y + z - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= x+y+z-1 - x(y+z-1) \\
&= x+y+z-1 - xy - xz + x \\
&= 2x+y+z - xy - xz - 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(x \oplus y) \oplus (x \oplus z) &= (x+y-xy) \oplus (x+z-xz) \\
&= x+y-xy + x+z-xz-1 \\
&= 2x+y+z - xy - xz - 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \oplus (y \oplus z) = (x \oplus y) \oplus (x \oplus z)$$

$\Rightarrow \oplus$ is distributive with respect to \oplus

$\therefore \langle \mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot \rangle$ is a Ring.

H.W.

2. Define the binary operations \oplus and \odot on \mathbb{Z} by,
 $x \oplus y = x+y-7$, $x \odot y = x+y-3xy$, for all $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Explain why $(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot)$ is not a ring

3. Let k, m be fixed integers, find all values for k, m for which $(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot)$ is a ring under the binary operations $x \oplus y = x+y-k$, $x \odot y = x+y-mxy$, where $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Solution:

$(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \odot)$ is a ring. for $x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have

$$x \odot (y \oplus z) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z)$$

Using $x \oplus y = x+y-k$, $x \odot y = x+y-mxy$ we get,

$$x \odot (y+z-k) = (x \odot y) \oplus (x \odot z)$$

$$(x) \oplus (y+z-k) - mx(y+z-k) = (x+y-mxy) \oplus (x+z-mxz)$$

$$x + y + z - k - mxy - mxz + mkx = x + y - mxy + x + z - mxz - k.$$

on cancelling the like terms on both the sides, we get -k.

$$mkx = x$$

$$\Rightarrow mk = 1$$

Since $mk = 1$, and k, m are integers, we have,

$$m = k = 1$$

(or)

$$m = k = -1$$

Hence the values of m and k are ± 1 .

4. Let (Q, \oplus, \odot) denote the field where \oplus and \odot are defined by,

$$a \oplus b = a + b - k, \quad a \odot b = a + b + (ab/m)$$

For fixed elements $k, m (\neq 0)$ of Q . Determine the value for k and the value for m in each of the following,

(a) The zero element for the field is 3.

(b) The additive inverse of the element 6 is -9.

(c) The multiplicative inverse of 2 is $1/8$.

Solution:

$$\text{Given: } a \oplus b = a + b - k \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$a \odot b = a + b + \frac{ab}{m} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

(a) Given: The zero element for the field is 3

$$\text{w.k.T } a + 0 = a$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow a \oplus 3 = a \quad \forall a \in Q$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 3$$

$$\text{w.k.T, } a \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \odot 3 = 3$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow a + 3 + \frac{(a)(3)}{m} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{(a)(3)}{m} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a \left[1 + \frac{3}{m} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{3}{m} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow 1 = -\frac{3}{m}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -3$$

$$\therefore k = 3, m = -3.$$

(b) Given: The additive inverse of b is -9 .

Let b be the zero of the field.

w.k.T $a + b = a$

$$a \oplus b = a$$

$$\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow a + b - k = a$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{b = k}$$

So, k is the zero of the field (a, \oplus, \ominus)

$$b \oplus (-9) = k //$$

$$b + (-9) - k = k$$

$$-3 - k = k$$

$$-3 = 2k$$

$$k = -\frac{3}{2}$$

w.k.T, $a \ominus k = k$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow a + k + \frac{(a)(k)}{m} = k$$

$$\Rightarrow a + \frac{(a)(k)}{m} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow a \left(1 + \frac{k}{m} \right) = 0$$

$$1 + \frac{k}{m} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -k = -\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$\therefore k = -\frac{3}{2}, m = \frac{3}{2}.$$

① Given: Multiplicative inverse of 2 is $\frac{1}{8}$.

w.k.T, $a \cdot e = a, a \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$a \odot e = a$$

$$\textcircled{2} \Rightarrow a + e + \frac{ae}{m} = a$$

$$\Rightarrow e + \frac{ae}{m} = 0 \Rightarrow e \left[1 + \frac{a}{m} \right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e = 0$$

$\Rightarrow 2=0, 1+\frac{2}{m}=0$

So the multiplicative identity is 0.

$$2 \odot \frac{1}{8} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \Rightarrow 2 + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2 \left(\frac{1}{8} \right)}{m} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{17}{2} + \frac{1}{4m} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = -\frac{2}{17}.$$

w.k.T, $\boxed{1 + \frac{k}{m} = 0} \Rightarrow m + k = 0$

$$m = -k.$$

$$a = 1$$

$$b = k.$$

$$1 + k + k/m.$$

$$\therefore k = -m = \frac{2}{17}.$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{2}{17}, m = -\frac{2}{17}.$$

The solutions are,

(a) $k = 3, m = -3.$

(b) $k = -\frac{3}{2}, m = \frac{3}{2}$

(c) $k = \frac{2}{17}, m = -\frac{2}{17}.$

5. Let $A = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & c \end{bmatrix} / a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ be the subset of the ring $R = M_2(\mathbb{Z})$. Prove that A is a subring but not an ideal.

Solution:

$$\text{For any } B = \begin{bmatrix} d & 0 \\ e & f \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} g & 0 \\ h & i \end{bmatrix} \in A$$

$$\text{We have } B + C = \begin{bmatrix} d+g & 0 \\ e+h & f+i \end{bmatrix} \in A \text{ and}$$

$$B \cdot C = \begin{bmatrix} dg & 0 \\ eg+fh & fi \end{bmatrix} \in A$$

Since $d+g, e+h, f+i, dg, eg+fh, fi \in \mathbb{Z}$.

For any $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$, the additive inverse is

$$-A = \begin{bmatrix} -a & 0 \\ -b & -c \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{So that } A + (-A) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence A is a subring of $M_2(\mathbb{Z})$.

$$\text{For } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in A \text{ and } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}).$$

$$\text{We have, } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \notin A.$$

So A is not an ideal.

6. Let $R = M_2(\mathbb{Z})$ and let S be the subset of R

where $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & x \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ prove that

S is a subring of R .

Solution: If $R = M_2(\mathbb{Z})$ and $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & x \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

is the subset of R .

To prove that S is a subring of R .

consider, $x=0, y=0$ in S , it follows that $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in S$.

$\therefore S \neq \emptyset$.

Let $\begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & x \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} v & v+w \\ v+w & v \end{bmatrix}$ are two elements of S , where, $x, y, v, w \in \mathbb{Z}$.

consider, $\begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & x \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} v & v+w \\ v+w & v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x-v & (x-v)+(y-w) \\ (x-v)+(y-w) & x-v \end{bmatrix}$

we observe that is the form of $\begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & y \end{bmatrix}$ with $x = x-v$ and $y = y-w$.

$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} x-v & (x-v)+(y-w) \\ (x-v)+(y-w) & x-v \end{bmatrix} \in S$.

Then S is closed under subtraction.

Let $\begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v & v+w \\ v+w & v \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} xv + (x+y)(v+w) & x(v+w) + (x+y)v \\ (x+y)v + x(v+w) & (x+y)(v+w) + xv \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} xv + xv + yv + xw + yw & xv + xw + xv + yv \\ xv + yv + xv + xw & xv + yw + xw + yv + xv \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2xv + vy + xw + yw & 2xv + xw + yv \\ 2xv + xw + yv & 2xv + yv + xw + yw \end{bmatrix}$$

We observe that is of the form of $\begin{bmatrix} x & x+y \\ x+y & y \end{bmatrix}$
 with $x = 2xv + yv + xw + yw$ and $y = -yw$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2xv + yv + xw + yw & (2xv + yv + xw + yw) + (-yw) \\ (2xv + yv + xw + yw) + (-yw) & 2xv + yv + xw + yw \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, S is closed under multiplication. $\in S$

We get S is closed under subtraction and multiplication.

Hence S is a subring of R .

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7. Let $R = M_2(\mathbb{Z})$ and let S be the subset of R

$$\text{where } S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x-y \\ x-y & y \end{bmatrix} \mid x, y \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

prove that S is a subring of R .

The integers Modulo n :

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $n > 1$. For $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow a-b \text{ is divisible by } n \Leftrightarrow n \mid (a-b)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a = b + tn, \text{ for some } t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Theorem:

\mathbb{Z}_n is a field iff n is a prime.

Proof:

Let n be a prime, $0 < a < n$

then $\gcd(a, n) = 1$.

\therefore There exists integers s, t with $as + tn = 1$

$$\Rightarrow as - 1 = (-t)n$$

$\Rightarrow as - 1$ is divisible by n .

$$\Rightarrow as \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [a][s] = [1],$$

and $[a]$ is a unit of \mathbb{Z}_n

Hence \mathbb{Z}_n is a field.

conversely,

If n is not a prime,

then $n = n_1 n_2$, $1 < n_1, n_2 < n$

so, $[n_1] \neq [0]$ and $[n_2] \neq [0]$

$$\text{but } [n_1][n_2] = [n_1 n_2] = [0]$$

\mathbb{Z}_n is not even an integral domain.

so it cannot be a field.

Hence n is a prime.

Theorem:

In \mathbb{Z}_n , $[a]$ is a unit iff $\gcd(a, n) = 1$.

Proof:

Given: $\gcd(a, n) = 1$

$$\Rightarrow as + tn = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow as - 1 = (-t)n$$

$$\Rightarrow as \equiv 1 \pmod{n}.$$

$$\Rightarrow [a][s] = [1]$$

$$\Rightarrow [a]^{-1} = [s]$$

Hence, $[a]$ is a unit of \mathbb{Z}_n .

Converse part,

Let $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_n$.

$$\Rightarrow [a]^{-1} = [s]$$

$$\Rightarrow [as] = [a][s] = [1]$$

$$\Rightarrow as \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow as = 1 + tn, t \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\text{But } 1 = as + n(-t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \gcd(a, n) = 1.$$

1. Determine whether each of the following pairs of integers is congruent modulo 8. (i) 62, 118 (ii) -43, -237 (iii) -90, 230.

Solution:

$$(i) 118 - 62 = 56 \text{ is divisible by } 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 118 \equiv 62 \pmod{8}.$$

$$(ii) -43 - (-237) = 194 \text{ is not divisible by } 8$$

$$\Rightarrow -43 \not\equiv -237 \pmod{8}$$

(iii) $230 - (-90) = 320$ is divisible by 8

$$\Rightarrow 230 \equiv -90 \pmod{8}.$$

2. Determine the values of the integer $n > 1$ for which the congruence is true:

(a) $28 \equiv 6 \pmod{n}$ (b) $68 \equiv 37 \pmod{n}$ (c) $301 \equiv 233 \pmod{n}$

(d) $44 \equiv 3 \pmod{n}$.

Solution:

a) $28 \equiv 6 \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow 28 - 6$ is divisible by n .

$$\Leftrightarrow 22 = 2 \times 11 \text{ is divisible by } n.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow n = 2, 11, 22.$$

(b) $68 \equiv 37 \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow n$ divides 31 (Prime)

$$\Leftrightarrow n = 31.$$

(c) $301 \equiv 233 \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow n$ divides $301 - 233 = 68$

$$68 = 2 \times 2 \times 17 \Rightarrow n = 2, 17, 4, 34, 68.$$

(d) $44 \equiv 3 \pmod{n} \Leftrightarrow 41$ is divisible by n .

$$\therefore n = 41.$$

3. Determine the last digit of 3^{55} ?

Solution:

$$3^{55} = 3^{32+16+4+2+1}$$

$$3^1 \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$$

$$3^2 \equiv 9 \pmod{10}$$

$$3^4 \equiv 81 \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$$

$$3^{16} = (3^4)^4 \equiv 1^4 \pmod{10}$$

$$3^{32} = (3^{16})^2 \equiv 1^2 \pmod{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow 3^1 \cdot 3^2 \cdot 3^4 \cdot 3^{16} \cdot 3^{32} \equiv 3 \times 9 \times 1 \times 1 \times 1 \pmod{10}.$$

$$\therefore \text{The last digit of } 3^{55} \text{ is } 7. \quad \equiv 27 \pmod{10} \equiv 7 \pmod{10}.$$

4. Solve for x the linear congruence

(i) $3x \equiv 7 \pmod{31}$

(ii) $5x \equiv 8 \pmod{37}$

(iii) $6x \equiv 97 \pmod{125}$

Solution: $3x \equiv 7 \pmod{31}$.

(i) $\gcd(3, 31) = 1 \Rightarrow [3]^{-1}$ exists in \mathbb{Z}_{31}

$$31 = 10 \times 3 + 1 \Rightarrow 1 = 31 - 10 \times 3$$

$$\Rightarrow [1] = [31 - 10 \times 3] = [-10 \times 3] = [21 \times 3]$$
$$= [21][3]$$

$$\Rightarrow [3]^{-1} = [21]$$

$$\therefore 3x \equiv 1 \pmod{31} \Rightarrow x \equiv 21 \pmod{31}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 3x \equiv 7 \pmod{31} \Rightarrow x \equiv 147 \pmod{31}$$

$$\Rightarrow x \equiv 23 \pmod{31}.$$

(ii) $5x \equiv 8 \pmod{37}$.

$$\gcd(5, 37) = 1 \Rightarrow [5]^{-1} \text{ exists in } \mathbb{Z}_{37}.$$

$$\text{We have: } \left. \begin{array}{l} 37 = 7 \times 5 + 2 \\ 5 = 2 \times 2 + 1 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow 1 = 5 - 2 \times 2$$
$$= 5 - 2(37 - 7 \times 5)$$
$$= 15 \times 5 - 3 \times 37$$

$$\Rightarrow [1] = [15 \times 5 - 3 \times 37] = [15 \times 5] = [15][5]$$

$$\Rightarrow [5]^{-1} = [15]$$

$$\therefore 5x \equiv 1 \pmod{37} \Rightarrow x \equiv 15 \pmod{37}.$$

$$\text{Hence, } 5x \equiv 8 \pmod{37} \Rightarrow x \equiv 120 \pmod{37}$$

(iii) $6x \equiv 97 \pmod{125}$: $\equiv 9 \pmod{37}$

$$\gcd(6, 125) = 1 \Rightarrow [6]^{-1} \text{ exists in } \mathbb{Z}_{125}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} 37 \\ \hline 120 \\ 111 \\ \hline 9 \end{array}$$

We have,

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 125 &= 20 \times 6 + 5 \\ 6 &= 1 \times 5 + 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 1 &= 6 - 1 \times 5 \\ &= 6 - 1(125 - 20 \times 6) \\ &= 21 \times 6 - 125 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow [1] = [21 \times 6 - 125] = [21 \times 6] \\ = [21][6]$$

$$\Rightarrow [6]^{-1} = [21].$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 125 \overline{) 2037} \\ \underline{125} \\ 787 \\ \underline{750} \\ 37 \end{array}$$

$\therefore 6x \equiv 1 \pmod{125} \Rightarrow x \equiv 21 \pmod{125}.$

Hence, $6x \equiv 97 \pmod{125} \Rightarrow x \equiv 21 \times 91 \pmod{125}$
 $\equiv 2037 \pmod{125}$
 $x \equiv 37 \pmod{125}$

5. Find $[25]^{-1}$ in \mathbb{Z}_{72} .

Solution:

25 and 72 are prime numbers.

\therefore The gcd $(25, 72) = 1$.

By Euclidean algorithm,

$$72 = 2(25) + 22, \quad 0 < 22 < 25 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$25 = 1(22) + 3, \quad 0 < 3 < 22 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$22 = 7(3) + 1, \quad 0 < 1 < 3. \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

As 1 is the last non-zero remainder,

$$1 = 22 - 7(3) \text{ by } \textcircled{3}$$

$$= 22 - 7[25 - 1(22)] \text{ by } \textcircled{2}$$

$$= 22 - 7(25) + 7(22)$$

$$= 8(22) - 7(25)$$

$$= 8[72 - 2(25)] - 7(25) \text{ by } \textcircled{1}$$

$$= 8(72) - 23(25).$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - [-23(25)] = 8(72).$$

$\Rightarrow 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 3$ is divisible by 7^2 .

$$\Rightarrow 1 \equiv (-23)(25)$$

$$\equiv (-23 + 7^2)(25) \pmod{7^2} \quad [\because -23 \text{ is negative}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \equiv (49)(25) \pmod{7^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow [1] = [49][25]$$

$$\Rightarrow [25]^{-1} = [49] \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_{7^2}$$

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1. Find $[17]^{-1}$ in the ring \mathbb{Z}_{1009}
2. Find $[100]^{-1}$ in the ring \mathbb{Z}_{1009}
3. Find $[777]^{-1}$ in the ring \mathbb{Z}_{1009} .

Ring Homomorphism:

Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ and (S, \oplus, \odot) be rings.

A function $f: R \rightarrow S$ is called a ring homomorphism if for all $a, b \in R$,

$$(a) f(a+b) = f(a) \oplus f(b) \text{ and}$$

$$(b) f(a \cdot b) = f(a) \odot f(b).$$

When the function f is onto we say that S is a homomorphic image of R .

A homomorphism which is both one-one and onto is called an isomorphism.