

Previously in Math 103a

A subgroup  $H \subseteq G$  is normal if  $xH = Hx \forall x \in G$ .

Thm:  $H$  normal  $\Rightarrow G/H = \{aH : a \in G\}$  is a group with multiplication given by  $(aH)(bH) = (ab)H$ .

Ex.  $G = D_4$ ,  $H = \{R_0, R_{180}\} = Z(D_4)$

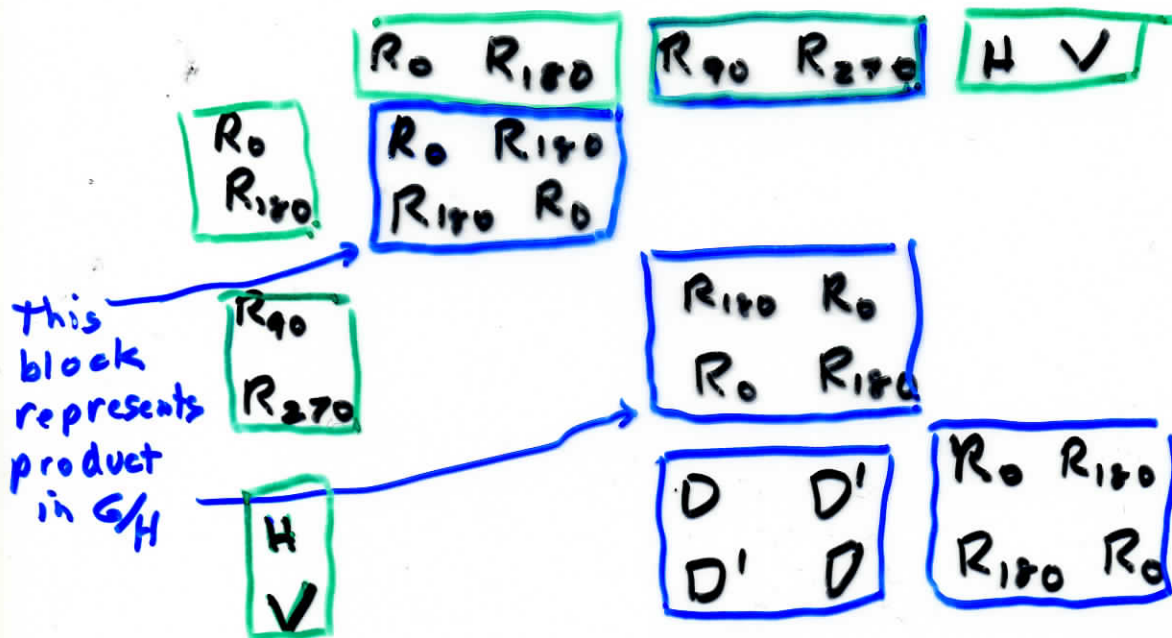
We showed  $R_0 H = R_{180} H = H$

$$H H = V H$$

$$R_{90} H = R_{270} H$$

$$D H = D' H.$$

Cayley table for  $G/H$  can be constructed from the Cayley table for  $G$  by taking  $4 \times 4$  blocks:



Since every elt in  $D_4/H$  is of order 2,

$$D_4/H \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

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Ex.  $G = U(32)$ ,  $H = U_6(32) = \{1, 17\}$

$|G/H| = 8$  We know  $G/H$  is abelian.

Is  $G/H \cong \mathbb{Z}_8$ , or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$ ?

$$U(32) = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots, 29, 31\}$$

$$|U(32)| = 2^{\frac{5}{2}} = 16.$$

Work by process of elimination to decide which one. Check orders of el'ts

$$\begin{aligned} G/H &= \{H, 3H, 5H, 7H, 9H, 11H, 15H\} \\ &= \{\{1, 17\}, \{3, 19\}, \{5, 21\}, \{7, 23\}, \\ &\quad \{9, 25\}, \{11, 27\}, \{13, 29\}, \{15, 31\}\} \end{aligned}$$

Pick 1, say  $\{7, 23\}$  and check its order  $\{7, 23\}^2 = 49\{1, 17\} = 17\{1, 17\} = \{1, 17\}$

so  $7H$  is of order 2.

Try  $5H$ :  $(5H)^2 = 25\{1, 17\}$ . Which of the cosets contains 25?  $9H$   $\therefore (5H)^2 = 9H$   
 $\therefore 5H$  is not of order 2

$\therefore G/H \not\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$  (in which all nonidentity el'ts are of order 2)

$$(9H)^2 = 81H = (81 - 64)H = 17H = H,$$

∴  $9H$  is of order 2.

$\langle 9H \rangle$  &  $\langle 7H \rangle$  are both <sup>sub</sup> groups of order 2. ∴  $G/H$  cannot be cyclic! (why?) By process of elimination,  $G/H \cong \mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

$$\frac{U(32)}{U_{16}(32)}$$

Cauchy's Thm for finite abelian groups.

$|G| < \infty$ ,  $G$  abelian &  $p \mid |G|$ ,  $p$  prime,

Then  $\exists g \in G$  with  $|g| = p$ .

Lemma  $G$  any finite group,  $|G| \geq 2$ , not necessarily abelian. Then  $\exists a \in G$  with  $|a|$  prime,

pf. choose any  $x \in G$ ,  $x \neq e$ . Then for any prime  $q$  for which  $q \mid |x|$ , there is an element  $a \in \langle x \rangle \subset G$  of order  $q$ . (why?)

PF of thm. By induction on  $|G|$ : OK for  $|G| \leq 2$ . Assume true for all  $G$  with

$|G| \leq n-1$ . Now suppose  $|G| = n$  &  $p|n$ .  
 Need to find an element of order  $p$ .  
 By Lemma,  $\exists a \in G$ ,  $|a|$  prime, say  $|a| = q$ .  
 If  $q = p$  done. If not, consider the  
 factor group  $\bar{G} = G/\langle a \rangle$ .  $|\bar{G}| < n$ .  
 also,  $p \mid |\bar{G}|$ , since  $|\bar{G}| = n/q$  &  $q \neq p$ .

By inductive hypothesis,  $\exists x \in G$  s.t.  
 $|x \langle a \rangle| = p$ . This means  $x^p \in \langle a \rangle$  or  
 $x^p = a^j$  some  $j$   $0 \leq j < q$ . If  $x^p = e$ ,  
 then done. If not,  $(x^q)^p = a^{jq} = e$ .  
 Since  $x^q \neq e$ , it follows that  $|x^q| = p$ . //

Note: we used 2 facts:

①  $G$  any group,  $x \in G$ ,  $x \neq e$ ,  $x^p = e$ ,  
 $p$  prime.  
 then  $|x| = p$ .

②  $G$  any group,  $x \in G$ ,  $x \neq e$ ,  $p, q$  prime,  
 $p \neq q$ . If  $x^p = e$ , then  $x^q \neq e$ .

check these out!

## Internal direct product.

Def.  $G$  is the (internal) direct product of normal subgroups  $H, K$  if

$$G = HK \text{ with } H \cap K = \{e\}$$

Notation:  $G = H \times K$ .

Here  $HK = \{hk : h \in H, k \in K\}$

Ex.  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ ,  $H = \{0, 5\}$ ,  $K = \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8\}$

Check:  $H \cap K = \{0\}$  ✓

Need to show if  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ , then  $n \in \{0, 5\} +$

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

$n$  even ✓

$n$  odd

$$5 + 0 = 5$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$5 + 4 = 9$$

$$(5+6) \bmod 10 = 1$$

$$(5+8) \bmod 10 = 3$$

This proves  $\mathbb{Z}_{10} = H \times K$ .

Thm.  $H \times K \cong H \oplus K$ .

Ex: If  $G = G_1 \oplus G_2$ , then  $\exists$  subgroups  $\bar{G}_1, \bar{G}_2 \subset G$  with  $G = \bar{G}_1 \times \bar{G}_2$ . Just

take

$$\bar{G}_1 = G_1 \oplus \{e_2\}$$

$$\bar{G}_2 = \{e_1\} \oplus G_2$$

$$e_2 = \text{id in } G_2$$

$$e_1 = \text{id in } G_1$$

Pf of Thm: Lots of stuff to check.

Define an isomorphism

$$H \oplus K \longrightarrow HK \text{ by}$$

$$\boxed{(h, k) \longmapsto hk} \quad h \in H, k \in K.$$

1-1?  $h'k' = hk \iff \begin{matrix} h^{-1}h' = e \\ \uparrow \\ H \end{matrix} \iff \begin{matrix} k^{-1}k' = e \\ \uparrow \\ K \end{matrix}$

since  $H \cap K = e$ ,  $h^{-1}h' = e \implies h = h'$   
 $k^{-1}k' = e \implies k = k' \checkmark$

Onto  $\checkmark$

Preserves products.

$$(h_1, k_1)(h_2, k_2) = (h_1 h_2, k_1 k_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (h_1, k_1) &\longmapsto h_1 k_1 \\ (h_2, k_2) &\longmapsto h_2 k_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore (h_1, k_1)(h_2, k_2) \longmapsto (h_1 k_1)(h_2 k_2) \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} (h_1, k_1)(h_2, k_2) \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{same?}$$

$$(h_1 h_2, k_1 k_2) \longmapsto (h_1 h_2)(k_1 k_2)$$

$$h_1 h_2 k_1 k_2 = h_1 k_1 h_2' k_2 \quad \text{normality of } K$$

normality of  $H$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies h_1 k_1' h_2 k_2 \\ \therefore h_1 k_1 h_2' k_2 &= h_1 k_1' h_2 k_2 \\ \implies k_1 h_2' &= k_1' h_2 \\ \implies k_1 = k_1', h_2' &= h_2 \quad \text{why?} \end{aligned}$$