

1. d Find the generators of the group $(\mathbb{Z}_8, +)$

Ans: Here, $(\mathbb{Z}_8, +)$ is a Cyclic group. and $\mathbb{Z}_8 = \{0, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \bar{4}, \bar{5}, \bar{6}, \bar{7}\}$

Now, $\gcd(k, 8) = 1$ where $k = 1, 3, 5, 7$

Therefore, the generators of \mathbb{Z}_8 are $\bar{1}, \bar{3}, \bar{5}, \bar{7}$.

f. Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.

Ans: Let, G be a group of prime order P (say)

Since, $P > 1$, G has an element $a \neq e$.

Let, H be the subgroup generated by a . i.e. $H = \{a^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \langle a \rangle$.

Now by Lagrange's Theorem, $|\langle a \rangle|$ divides P

Hence, $|\langle a \rangle| = 1$ or P .

Since, $a \neq e$, Therefore $|\langle a \rangle| \neq 1$. and so $|\langle a \rangle| = P$.

Now $\langle a \rangle \in G$ and $|\langle a \rangle| = |G| = P$.

Hence, $G = \langle a \rangle$. This shows that every group of prime order is cyclic.

e. Let, G be a group and $a \in G$. Prove that the mapping $f_a : G \rightarrow G$, defined by $f_a(x) = ax$, $\forall x \in G$, is a bijection.

Ans: Let, $x, y \in G$. Then $f_a(x) = ax$ and $f_a(y) = ay$

Now, $f_a(x) = f_a(y) \Rightarrow ax = ay \Rightarrow x = y$ [by l.c.e.]

For $x \neq y \Rightarrow ax \neq ay \Rightarrow f_a(x) \neq f_a(y)$.

i.e. f_a is one-one.

Let, P be an arbitrary element in G . of a codomain set has a pre-image $x \in G$ (say), then $f_a(x) = P \Rightarrow ax = P \Rightarrow x = a^{-1}P$, which exist in G . Therefore f_a is on-to.

Hence, f_a is bijective.

b. Give an example of an abelian group which is not cyclic.

Ans: $G = (\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is abelian but not cyclic.

If possible let $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is a Cyclic group, generated by an element $a \in \mathbb{Q}$

$a \neq 0$.

Therefore, $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is a Cyclic group generated by a , then every element can be expressed as na , where n is some integer.

Here, $\frac{1}{2}a \in \mathbb{Q}$ but $\frac{1}{2}a$ can-not be expressed as na , $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

We arrive a contradiction.

$\therefore (\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is not a Cyclic group.

2. b. (i) Show that $Z(G)$, the centre of a group G is a normal subgroup of G .

Ans: 1st we show that $Z(G)$ is a subgroup of G .

Since, $e \in Z(G)$, $\therefore Z(G) \neq \emptyset$.

Let, $a, b \in Z(G)$. Then $ag = ga$ and $bg = gb \Rightarrow gb^{-1} = b^{-1}g, \forall g \in G$.

Hence, $(ab^{-1})g = a(b^{-1}g) = a(gb^{-1}) = (ga)b^{-1} = g(ab^{-1}), \forall g \in G$.

$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in Z(G).$$

So, $Z(G)$ is a subgroup of G .

Now for $g \in G$ and $a \in Z(G)$.

$$gag^{-1} = agg^{-1} = a \in Z(G).$$

and Hence, $gZ(G)g^{-1} \subseteq Z(G)$.

Hence, $Z(G)$ is a normal subgroup of G .

2. b. (ii) Let $G = S_3$ and G' be the multiplicative group $(\{1, -1\}, \cdot)$, define

$\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ by $\phi(\alpha) = 1$, if α is an even permutation.

$= -1$, if α is an odd permutation.

Prove that ϕ is a surjective homomorphism. Also find $\ker \phi$ and hence determine a normal subgroup of S_3 .

Ans: Let, $\alpha, \beta \in S_3$ then $\alpha\beta \in S_3$

Case. I. Let, α, β be both even then $\alpha\beta$ is even and $\phi(\alpha\beta) = 1$

$$= 1 \cdot 1 \\ = \phi(\alpha) \cdot \phi(\beta)$$

Case. II. Let, α, β be both odd then $\alpha\beta$ is even and

$$\phi(\alpha) = -1, \phi(\beta) = -1 \text{ and } \phi(\alpha\beta) = 1 = -1 \cdot -1 = \phi(\alpha) \cdot \phi(\beta).$$

Case. III. If α be even and β be odd then $\alpha\beta$ be odd.

$$\phi(\alpha\beta) = -1 = 1 \cdot -1 = \phi(\alpha) \cdot \phi(\beta).$$

\therefore In all cases we see that $\phi(\alpha\beta) = \phi(\alpha) \cdot \phi(\beta), \forall \alpha, \beta \in S_3$.

i.e. ϕ is a homomorphism.

Since, every element of the codomain set G' has a pre-image in the domain set G . Page-3

$\therefore \phi$ is onto.

ϕ is a homomorphism, here 1 is the identity element of G' and $\ker \phi = \{d \in S_3 : \phi(d) = 1\}$.

$\therefore \ker \phi$ contains all even permutation of S_3 .

$\therefore \ker \phi = A_3$

Since, $\ker \phi$ is a normal sub-group of S_3 , it follows that A_3 is a normal subgroup of S_3 .

61) Prove that a finite integral domain is a field.

Ans: Let, D be a finite I.D.

Then D is a commutative ring with unity 1 ($\neq 0$)

Now we have to show that D is a field.

i.e. If $a \in D$, where $a \neq 0$ then a has a multiplicative inverse in D .

$\therefore D$ is a finite set, we write the element of D as a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n .

Now consider the elements aa_1, aa_2, \dots, aa_n

Here all these elements are distinct for otherwise $aa_i = aa_j \Rightarrow a_i = a_j$, which is not true.

\therefore all these elements $\in D$. and D has exactly n elements, they must be the elements a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n in some order.

Consequently, one of them is 1 . ($\because 1 \in D$).

So, $aa_i = a_i a = 1$, for some i .

Thus a has a multiplicative inverse in D .

\therefore It follows that D is a field.

62) Prove that a finite group is isomorphic to a subgroup of some permutation group.

Ans: Let, $G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$.

Let, g be an arbitrary element of G , then the element gg_1, gg_2, \dots, gg_n

$\in G$. and no two of these elements are equal, otherwise if

$gg_i = gg_j \Rightarrow g_i = g_j$, which is not the case.

$\therefore \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ gg_1 & gg_2 & \dots & gg_n \end{pmatrix}$ is a permutation on the set $\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$

We denote this permutation Π_g .

Let, S_n be the set of all permutations on the set $\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n\}$

Let us define a mapping $\phi: G \rightarrow S_n$ by $\phi(g_i) = \Pi_{g_i}$

i.e. $\phi(g_i) = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ g_i g_1 & g_i g_2 & \dots & g_i g_n \end{pmatrix}$, $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

We now show that ϕ is a homomorphism.

Let, $g_i, g_j \in G$, then $g_i g_j \in G$. and $\phi(g_i g_j) =$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } \phi(g_i g_j) &= \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ g_i g_1 & g_i g_2 & \dots & g_i g_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ g_i g_1 & g_i g_2 & \dots & g_i g_n \end{pmatrix} \circ \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ g_j g_1 & g_j g_2 & \dots & g_j g_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \phi(g_i) \circ \phi(g_j). \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \phi$ is a homomorphism.

$$\text{For } x \in G, x \in \ker \phi \Leftrightarrow \phi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ x g_1 & x g_2 & \dots & x g_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ x g_1 & x g_2 & \dots & x g_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \\ g_1 & g_2 & \dots & g_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x g_k = g_k, \text{ for } k=1,2,\dots,n.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = e_G$$

$$\therefore \ker \phi = \{e_G\}$$

$\therefore \phi$ is one-one, $\therefore \phi$ is a monomorphism.

Also, $\phi(G)$ is a subgroup of S_n , $\therefore \phi(G) \cong \phi(G)$.

i.e. G is isomorphic to a subgroup of S_n .