

6. Def: The index of a subgroup $H \leq G$ is $[G:H] = |G/H|$.

Prop: All cosets of H have the same size. 1

Consequently, $|G| = |H|[G:H]$. 2

Pf: $aH \rightarrow bH$
 $g \mapsto ba^{-1}g$ } bijection

$ba^{-1}g' \mapsto g'$ 1 ✓

2: Both sides are ∞ unless $[G:H] = r < \infty$, in which case

$$|G| = |a_1H| \dot{+} \dots \dot{+} |a_rH| = r|H|. \quad \square$$

Cor [Lagrange's Thm]: $H \leq G$ and G finite $\Rightarrow |G| = |H|[G:H]$. now you've really seen some group theory

Cor: $a \in G \Rightarrow |a| \mid |G|$.

Pf: $|a| = |\langle a \rangle| \leq |G|$. \square

Cor: $|G| = p$ prime $\Rightarrow G \cong C_p$ is cyclic of order p .

Pf: Pick $g \in G$ with $g \neq e$. Then $|g| = 1$ or p .

$g \neq e \Rightarrow |g| = p \Rightarrow G = \langle g \rangle$. \square

Prop: $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ homomorphism \Rightarrow

$$|G| = |\ker \varphi| \cdot |\text{im } \varphi|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |\ker \varphi| \mid |G| \\ \Rightarrow & |\text{im } \varphi| \mid |G| \\ & |\text{im } \varphi| \mid |G'| \end{aligned}$$

Pf: $|\text{im } \varphi| \leftrightarrow |\{\text{nonempty fibers of } \varphi\}|$

$$[G:H] = |G/H| \text{ for } H = \ker \varphi. \quad \square$$

Modular arithmetic

Def: For $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ if $a - b \in n\mathbb{Z}$

" a is congruent to b modulo n "

$$a + n\mathbb{Z} = b + n\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\bar{a} = \bar{b} \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

G/H

Lemma: $[\mathbb{Z}:n\mathbb{Z}] = n = |\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}|$

Pf: Division with remainder: $m = qn + r$ with $0 \leq r < n$.

Q. \mathbb{Z} has $+$, \times ; what about $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$?

Prop: $a, b, n \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \overline{a+b} = \bar{a} + \bar{b}$

and $\bar{a}\bar{b} = \overline{ab}$ are well defined in $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$.

