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- Welcome Back!
- Happy St. Patty's Day
- OH make-up (email)
- HW #4.

normal subgroups

Definition Let $H \leq G$. We say H is
a normal subgroup of G if $\forall g \in G$
 $gHg^{-1} = H$.

Facts

$$\forall H \leq G, \forall g \in G \quad \underline{gHg^{-1} \leq G}$$

$$gHg^{-1} = \{ ghg^{-1} \mid h \in H \} = \{ x \in G \mid \exists h \in H \ x = ghg^{-1} \}$$

$$\cancel{gHg^{-1}} \\ |gHg^{-1}| = |H|.$$

$\varphi_g: H \rightarrow gHg^{-1}$ defined by $\varphi_g(h) = ghg^{-1}$

φ_g is injective + surjective.
 φ_g bijection.

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Prop $H \leq G$. then H is normal in G iff

$$\forall g \in G \quad gH = Hg$$

$$|gH| = |H|$$

Ex S_3

$$H = \langle (12) \rangle = \{e, (12)\} \quad g = (13).$$

cosets of H

$$\{H, (13)H, (23)H\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} gH &= \{g \cdot e, g(12)\} = \{(13), (13)(12)\} \\ &= \{(13), (123)\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$Hg = \{e \cdot (13), (12)(13)\} = \{(13), (132)\}$$

Does $gH = Hg$ No so $\langle (12) \rangle$ is not normal.

Notation

$$H \leq G$$

" H is a subgp of G "

$$H \trianglelefteq G$$

" H is a normal subgp of G "

③ Ex. of normal subgps

① $G \trianglelefteq G$

② $\{e\} \trianglelefteq G$

③ $Z(G) \trianglelefteq G$. the center of G

$$\underline{Z(G) = \{g \in G \mid \forall x \in G, gx = xg\}}$$

Prove $\forall g \in G, gZ(G)g^{-1} = Z(G)$

Let $g \in G$. $\star x \in gZ(G)g^{-1}$ this means

$$\exists z \in Z(G) \text{ s.t. } x = gzg^{-1} = zgg^{-1} = ze = z.$$

$$\text{So } x = z \in Z(G). \quad \text{so } gZ(G)g^{-1} \subseteq Z(G).$$

for the reverse inclusion, let $z \in Z(G)$

$$\text{then } z = z \cdot e = zg \cdot g^{-1} = gzg^{-1} \in gZ(G)g^{-1}$$

③a) Same proof works for any $H \leq G$ that satisfies

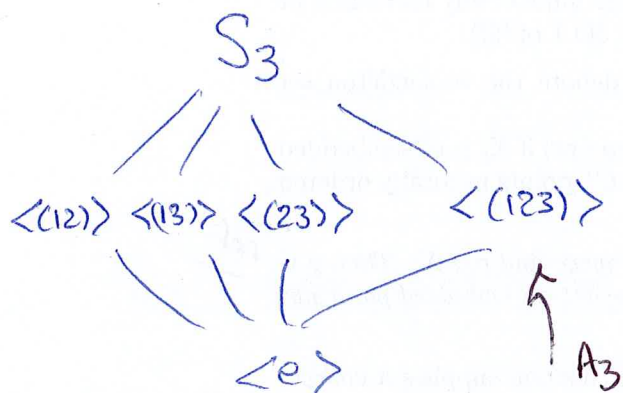
$$\underline{H \subseteq Z(G)}.$$

④

(finite)

④ if $H \leq G$ and H is the only subgp of G of order $|H|$. (of a given order)

then $H \trianglelefteq G$.



$$\langle (123) \rangle \trianglelefteq S_3.$$

pf. of ④

$$|gHg^{-1}| = |H|$$

so since H is the only subgp of that size $gHg^{-1} = H$.

$|G|$ finite

⑤

if $[G:H] = 2$

the index of H is 2.

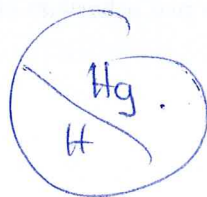
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of left cosets.

then $H \trianglelefteq G$.

take H is one ^{left} coset, choose $g \in G \setminus H$.

right cosets

H, Hg



gH

$$G = H \cup gH.$$

here

$$gH = G \setminus H$$

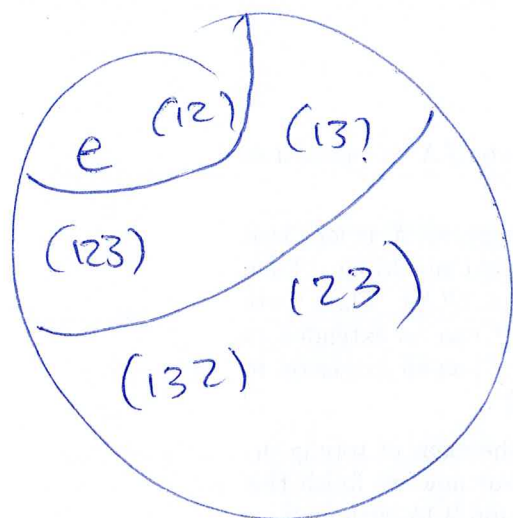
$$Hg = G \setminus H \quad \text{so } \underline{gH = Hg}.$$



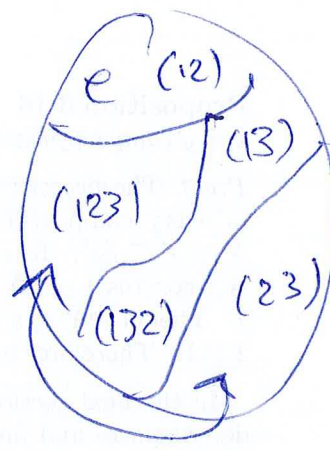
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$$H = \langle (12) \rangle$$

$$G = S_3$$



left cosets



$$Q_8$$

$$|Q_8| = 8$$

Q_8 not abelian

$$= \{\pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k\}$$

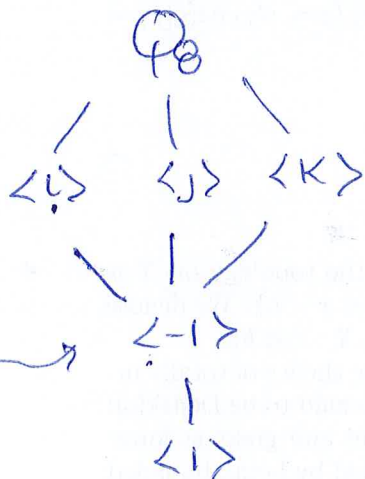
(if abelian, then every subgroup is normal.)

$$\langle i \rangle = \{i, -i, 1, -1\}$$

$$[Q_8 : \langle i \rangle] = 2 = \frac{|Q_8|}{|\langle i \rangle|} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$$A = \langle i \rangle$$

$$jH = KH$$



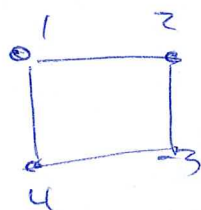
$$Z(Q_8)$$

Def. A group for which every subgroup is normal is called Hamiltonian.

Q_8 Hamiltonian not abelian.

⑥

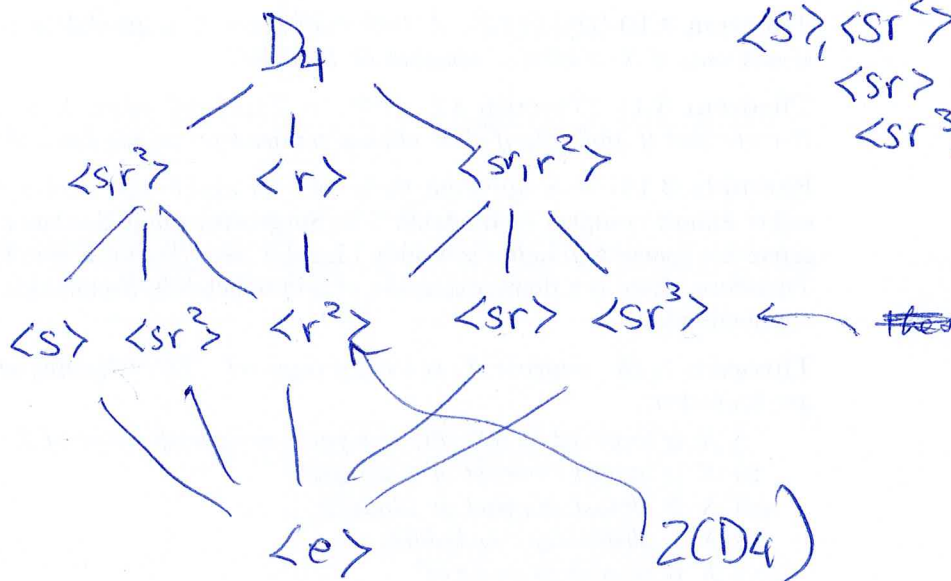
$$D_4 = \langle r, s \mid r^4 = e = s^2, srs^{-1} = r^3 \rangle$$



$$r = (1234)$$

$$s = (24)$$

all normal,
index 2



$\langle s \rangle, \langle sr^2 \rangle$ not normal
 $\langle sr \rangle$
 $\langle sr^3 \rangle$

$$\langle s \rangle = \{e, s\}$$

$$r \langle s \rangle = \{r, rs\}$$

$$rs \neq sr$$

$$\langle s \rangle r = \{r, sr\} \quad \text{not normal.}$$

$$A_n \trianglelefteq S_n.$$

$$|S_n| = n!$$

$$|A_n| = \frac{n!}{2}$$

$$[S_n : A_n] = \frac{n!}{n!/2} = 2.$$

A group is called simple

⑦ A group G is called simple
if the only normal subgps are
 G and $\{e\}$

not simple means it has a non-trivial normal subgroup.

The Classification of finite simple groups

S_n, A_n, D_n not simple.

A_n ($n \geq 5$) is simple

Group theory

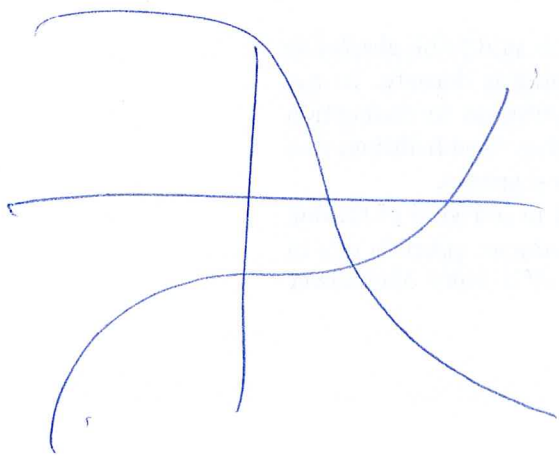
original. gps of permutations
of roots of polynomial

$$f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

degree 2

Q.F.

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$





$f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$
solvable by radicals

roots only involve
 n^{th} -roots
& field ops.

$\text{Gal}(f(x))$ solvable

a chain of normal subgps

A_5 is not solvable