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# Unit -1: Groups

### **INTRODUCTION :**

Set : Collection of well – defined objects. **Empty Set :** Having No Elements in the Set. Non – Empty Set : Having at least one Element in the Set. **Binary Operation / Closure Law** Let S be a non – empty set . If  $*: S \times S \rightarrow S$  is a mapping then \* is called binary operation on S . If for all a , b  $\varepsilon\,S \to a^*b\,\varepsilon\,S$ **Examples:** 1. +,-,  $\cdot$  are binary operations on Z For 1.2  $\in$  Z  $\rightarrow$  1+2=3  $\in$  Z  $\rightarrow$  1-2=-1  $\in$  Z  $\rightarrow$  1·2=2  $\in$  Z 2. / is not binary operation on ZFor 1,2  $\in$  Z  $\rightarrow$  1/2  $\notin$  Z

# **Algebraic Structure :**

A non – empty set equipped with one (or) more binary operations is called an Algebraic Structure

# Examples :

 $(Z,+), (Z,-), (Z,\cdot), (Z,+,\cdot)$  are all algebraic structures and (Z, /) is not an algebraic structure.

# NOTE:

If + is a binary operation on S then the algebraic structure can be written as (S, +)

# Associative Law :

A binary operation \* on S is said to be associative if (a\*b)\*c = a\*(b\*c), for all a,b,c  $\in$ S.

# Examples :

+, \* satisfies associative property in Z.

/, - does not satisfies associative property in  ${\bf Z}$ 

# Semi Group :

An Algebraic structure (G,\*) is called a Semi Group if it satisfies the Associative Law with \* in G.

# **Identity Element :**

Let S be a non – empty set and \* be a binary operation on S. If there exist  $e_1 \in S$  such that  $e_1^*a=a$ , for all  $a \in S$ , then  $e_1$  is called the *left Identity* of S with respect to the binary operation \*.

Let S be a non – empty set and \* be a binary operation on S. If there exist  $e_2 \in S$  such that  $a^* e_2 = a$ , for all  $a \in S$ , then  $e_2$  is called the *Right Identity* of S with respect to the binary operation \*.

Let S be a non – empty set and \* be a binary operation on S. If there exist  $e \in S$  such that  $e^*a = a^*e = a$ , for all  $a \in S$ , then e is called the *Identity Element* of S with respect to the binary operation \*.

Additive Identity is zero.

Multiplicative Identity is One.

# **Examples** :

- 1. In (z,+) the identity is zero.
- 2. In  $(\mathbf{R}, \cdot)$  the identity is one.

# Monoid :

A semi Group (G,\*) with identity **e** with respect to the binary operation \* is called Monoid. **Example :** 

1. (Z,+) is a monoid with identity Zero.

2. (N,+) is not a monoid because it has no identity element.

# Invertible Element :

Let (S,\*) be a semi Group with identity e. An element a  $\in S$  is said to be invertible .If there exists b  $\in S$  such that a\*b = b\*a = e

Here b is called inverse of a in S. **Examples:** 

 a+(-a) = 0 →identity Here, -a is the Inverse of a.
 a · (1/a) = 1 →identity Here, a<sup>-1</sup> is the Inverse of a.

# **GROUP**:

An Algebraic structure (G, \*) is said to be a group , if the following conditions are hold.

(i) Associative :  $(a*b)*c = a*(b*c) , \forall a, b, c \in G$ 

(ii) Existence of Identity :
∃e ∈G ∋ a\*e = e\*a =a, ∀ a €G.
(iii) Existence of Inverse :
for each a ∈G ∃ b ∈G ∋ a\*b = b\*a =e.

**Examples :** (Z,+) is a Group. **Solution :**Given that (Z,+) **Claim :** (Z, +) is a Group. Clearly, (Z, +) is an Algebraic Structure so, + is binary operation (i) Associative : Let a = 1, b = 2, c = 3(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)(1+2) + 3 = 1 + (2+3)6 = 6: Associative Laws holds. (ii) Existence of Identity : Let e EZ ,a EZ  $a^*e = e^*a = a$ a + e = a .....(i) e = a - ae = 0substitute, e = 0 in (i) a + 0 = a $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}$  $\therefore$  0 is the identity (iii) Existence of Inverse : Let a, b  $\in$  Z, e  $\in$  Z. a + b = e $\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$ b = -a Here, "b" is the inverse of "a"

Let a = -1, b = -(-1) = 1Take, a + b = b + a = ethen -1 + 1 = 1 - 1 = e 0 = 0 = e  $\therefore$  Every Element in Z has Inverse .  $\therefore (Z, +)$  forms a Group. (N, +) is not a Group. Here Additive Identity is Zero, but we know that the set of all Natural numbers are N = {1, 2, 3, ...} Here, the Identity element '0' does not exist. So, (N, +) is not a Group. (N,  $\cdot$ ) is not a Group. Here, Inverse condition fails because N does not contains negative numbers.

So,  $(N, \cdot)$  is not a Group.

### **AbelianGroup :**

A Group (G, \*) is said to be Abelian if \* is commutative. i.e.,  $a*b = b*a \quad \forall a, b \in G$ .

# Finite and Infinite Groups :

If the set G contains a finite number of elements then the group G is called finite Group.

Otherwise, it is known as an Infinite Group.

### **Problems:**

If the set G of all even integers forms an abelian group under addition as the operation.

(or)

If  $G = \{2x \mid x \in Z\}$ , then Show that (G,+) forms an Abelian group.

# Solution:

Given that G =  $\{2x/x \in Z\}$ =  $\{\dots, -4, -2, 0, 2, 4, \dots\}$ Let a,b,c  $\in G$ Here, a =  $2\alpha$ , b =  $2\beta$ , c =  $2\gamma$ , where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma \in Z$ Claim :

(G,\*) forms an abelian group

### (i) Binary Operation / Closure law:

Let a, b  $\in$  G Now, a + b = 2 $\alpha$  + 2 $\beta$ = 2( $\alpha$  + $\beta$ )  $\in$  G = a + b  $\in$  G Therefore, + is binary operation on G. (ii) Associative law: Let a, b, c  $\in$  G (a + b) + c = (2 $\alpha$  + 2 $\beta$ ) + 2 $\gamma$ 

 $= 2(\alpha + \beta) + 2\gamma$  $= 2[(\alpha + \beta) + \gamma]$  $= 2[\alpha + (\beta + \gamma)]$  $= 2\alpha + [(2\beta + 2\gamma)]$ = a + (b + c)(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)Therefore, Associative law holds. (iii) Existence of Identity: Let a C G We know that  $0 \in G$ Now  $a + 0 = 2\alpha + 0$  $= 2\alpha + 2(0)$  $=2(\alpha+0)$  $= 2\alpha$ = aTherefore, '0' is the identity in 'G' (iv) Existence of Inverse: Let a CG  $a = 2\alpha$ , for some  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$  $-a = -2\alpha$ , for some  $-\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}$  $\rightarrow$  -a  $\in G$ Now  $a + (-a) = 2\alpha + (-2\alpha)$  $= 2\alpha - 2\alpha$  $= 2(\alpha - \alpha)$ = 2(0)= 0= e: '-a' is the inverse element of 'a' in G : Every Element in G has Inverse. (G, +) is a Group. AbelianGroup (Commutative Law): Let  $a, b \in G$ Now,  $a + b = 2\alpha + 2\beta$  $= 2(\alpha + \beta)$  $= 2(\beta + \alpha)$  $= 2\beta + 2\alpha$ = b + a

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

2. Show that the set Q<sup>+</sup> of all positive rational numbers forms an abelian group under the composition defined by o (circle) such that  $aob = \frac{ab}{3} \forall a, b \in Q^+$ Solution: Given that Q<sup>+</sup>= The set of all positive rational numbers forms an abelian group under the composition defined by o(circle), such that  $aob = \frac{ab}{3} \forall a, b \in Q^+$ 

Claims :  $(\mathbf{Q}^+, \mathbf{0})$  forms an abelian group. (i) Binary Operation / Closure Law : Let a, b  $\in Q^+$  $aob = \frac{ab}{3} \in Q^+$ aob  $\in \check{Q}^+$  $\therefore$ o is binary in Q<sup>+</sup> (ii) Associative law: Let a, b, c  $\in Q^+$ (ao b) o c =  $\begin{pmatrix} ab \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  o c  $= \left(\frac{ab}{3}\right)c/3$  $= \left(\frac{abc}{9}\right)$  $= a\left(\frac{bc}{3}\right)/3$  $= \left(\frac{abc}{9}\right)$ ao (b o c) = a o  $\frac{bc}{3}$ (ao b) o c = a o(b o c)Therefore, Associative law holds. (iii) Existence of Identity: t a  $\in Q^+$ Suppose that a o e = a for some e  $\in Q^+$  $\frac{ae}{3} = a$ Let a  $\in Q^+$  $\rightarrow$  ae -3e = 0 $\rightarrow a(e - 3) = 0$  $\rightarrow a \neq 0$  (or) e - 3 = 0 $\rightarrow e - 3 = 0$  $\rightarrow e = 3 \in Q^+$ Now, as  $e = a \circ 3 = \frac{a^3}{3} = a$ ao e = a $\therefore$  e = 3 is the identity in Q<sup>+</sup> (iv) Existence of Inverse: Let a  $\in Q^+$ , b  $\in Q^+$ Suppose that, a o b = e $\frac{ab}{3} = a$  $\frac{ab}{3} = 3$ ab = 9 $b = \frac{9}{7} \mathbb{C} Q^+$ 

ao b = a o $\left(\frac{9}{a}\right)$ =  $a\left(\frac{9}{a}\right) / 3$ = 9/3= 3= e $\therefore$ ao b = e

 $\therefore$  Every element in Q<sup>+</sup> has Inverse

### **Commutative:**

Let a, b  $\in Q^+$ Now a o b =  $\frac{ab}{3}$ =  $\frac{ba}{3}$ = b o a ao b = b o a  $\therefore (Q^+, o)$  forms an abelian group.

### **Problem:**

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Show that the set Z forms an abelian group w.r.to the operation * defined by
a*b = a+b+2 \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}.
Solution : Given that Z = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, ...\}
and a*b = a+b+2
Claim: (Z, *) forms an abelian group.
(i) Binary Operation / Closure Law :
Let a, b \in \mathbb{Z}
a*b = a+b+2 \in \mathbb{Z}
       a*b €Z
\therefore * is binary in
(ii) Associative law:
        Let a, b, c \in Z
       (a*b)*c = (a+b+2)*c
                  =a+b+2+c+2
a^{*}(b^{*}c) = a^{*}(b+2+c)
                  = a+b+2+c+2
       (a*b)*c = a*(b*c)
  :.
 (iii) Existence of Identity:
        Let a \in Z
           Suppose that a^*e = a, for some e \in Z
               \rightarrow a+e+2 =a
               \rightarrow a+e+2-a =0
               \rightarrow e+2 =0
               \rightarrow e = - 2 \in Z
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Now  $a^*e = a^*(-2)$ =  $a^{-2+2}$ = a $\therefore a^*e = a$  $\therefore e = -2$  is the identity in Z.

### (iv) Existence of Inverse:

Let  $a \in Z$ ,  $b \in Z$ Suppose that, a \* b = ea + b + 2 = -2a + b = -2 - 2a + b = -4a\* b = a + b + 2= -4 + 2= -2= e $\therefore$  a \* b = e

# **Commutative:**

Let  $a, b \in Z$   $a^* b = a+b+2$  = b+a+2  $= b^* a$   $\therefore$   $a^* b = b^* a$ (Z, \*) forms an abelian group.

# **Problem:**

If  $G = Q - \{1\}$  and \* is defined as a\*b = a + b - ab then show that (G , \*) is an abelian group.

# Solution:

Given that  $G = Q - \{1\}$  and a\*b = a + b - ab. Let  $a, b \in Q \rightarrow ab \in Q$ ,  $a \neq 1, b \neq 1$ Claim: (G,\*) forms an abelian group. (i) Binary Operation / Closure Law : Let  $a, b \in G$   $a*b \in Q$ Now we have to prove that  $a*b \neq 1$ Suppose that a\*b = 1 a+b-ab = 1 a+b-ab = 1 a+b(1-a) = 1 1(a-1)+b(1-a) = 0 (a-1)(1-b) = 0a-1 = 0 (or) 1-b = 0

∴a\*b ≠1 €G  $\therefore$  \* is binary in G (ii) Associative law: Let  $a, b, c \in G$ (a\*b)\*c = (a+b-ab)\*c= (a+b-ab)+c-(a+b-ab)c= a+ b-ab+c- ac-bc+abc =a+b+c-ab-bc-ca+abc  $a^{*}(b^{*}c) = a^{*}(b+c-bc)$ = a+(b+c-bc) -a (b+c-bc) = a+b+c-ab-ac-bc+abc=a+b+c-ab-bc-ca+abc (a\*b)\*c = a\*(b\*c)... (iii) Existence of Identity: Let a  $\in$  G Suppose that  $a^*e = a$ a + e - ae = ae - ae = 0e(1 - a) = 0e = 0 (or) 1-a = 0 $\therefore e = 0 \in G$ Now  $a^*e = a * 0$ = a + 0 - a(0)= a $a^*e = a$ e = 0 is the identity in G. ...

a = 1 (or) b = 1

which is a contradiction to  $a \neq 1$ ,  $b \neq 1$ 

### (iv) Existence of Inverse:

Let  $a \in G$ Suppose that  $a^*b = 0$   $\rightarrow a+b-ab = 0$   $\rightarrow a+b(1-a) = 0$   $\rightarrow b(1-a) = -a$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{1-a}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{1-a}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{(a-1)}$ Now,  $a^*b = a^*(\frac{a}{(a-1)})$ 

$$= a + \frac{a}{(a-1)} - a(\frac{a}{(a-1)})$$

$$= \frac{a(a-1)+a-a2}{a-1}$$

$$= \frac{0}{a-1}$$

$$= 0$$

$$\therefore a^*b = e$$

$$\therefore Every Element in G has Inverse.$$
Commutative:  
Let a,b  $\in G$   
 $a^*b = a+b-ab$   
 $= b+a-ba$   
 $= b^*a$   
 $\therefore a^*b = b^*a$   
(G, \*) forms an abelian group.

**Problem:** Show that the set G of rational numbers other than one under the composition defined by  $\oplus$ , such that  $a \oplus b = a + b - ab$  for  $a, b \in G$ . forms an abelian group and hence show that x = 3/2, is a solution of  $4 \oplus 5 \oplus x = 7$ Solution: Given that  $G = Q - \{1\}$  and  $a \oplus b = a + b - ab$ , for a, b,  $\in G$ . Let a, b, c  $\in$  G  $\rightarrow$  a, b, c  $\in$  Q, but a  $\neq$  1, b  $\neq$  1, c  $\neq$  1 Claim:  $(G, \bigoplus)$  forms an abelian group. (i) Binary Operation / Closure Law : Let a, b CG  $a \oplus b = a + b - ab \in Q$ a⊕b €O Now we have to prove that  $a \oplus b \neq 1$ Suppose that  $a \oplus b = 1$ a+b-ab = 1a+b(1-a) = 11(a-1)+b(1-a) = 0(a-1)(1-b) = 0a-1 = 0 (or) 1-b = 0a = 1 (or) b = 1which is a contradiction to  $a \neq 1$ ,  $b \neq 1$ ∴a⊕b ≠1 €G  $\therefore \bigoplus$  is binary in G (ii) Associative law: Let  $a, b, c \in G$  $(a \oplus b) \oplus c = (a+b-ab) \oplus c$ = (a+b-ab)+c-(a+b-ab)c= a+ b-ab+c- ac-bc+abc

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=a+b+c-ab-bc-ca+abc
       a \oplus (b \oplus c) = a \oplus (b + c - bc)
                   =a+(b+c-bc)-a(b+c-bc)
                  = a + b + c - ab - ac - bc + abc
                    =a+b+c-ab-bc-ca+abc
         (a \oplus b) \oplus c = a \oplus (b \oplus c)
    ..
    (iii) Existence of Identity:
               Let a \in G
                \rightarrow a \neq 1
   Suppose that a \bigoplus e = a
                    a + e - ae = a
                     e - ae = 0
e(1 - a) = 0
                  e = 0 (or) 1 - a = 0
\therefore e = 0 \in G
        Now a \oplus e = a \oplus 0
             = a + 0 - a(0)
             = a
        a^*e = a
        \therefore e = 0 is the identity in G.
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#### (iv) Existence of Inverse:

Let  $a \in G$ Suppose that  $a \bigoplus b = 0$ , for some  $b \in G$   $\rightarrow a+b-ab = 0$   $\rightarrow a+b(1-a) = 0$   $\rightarrow b(1-a) = -a$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{a}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{(a-1)}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{(a-1)}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{(a-1)}$   $\rightarrow b = \frac{-a}{(a-1)}$   $= a + \frac{a}{(a-1)} - a(\frac{a}{(a-1)})$   $= \frac{a(a-1)+a-a2}{a-1}$   $= \frac{0}{a-1}$  = 0  $\therefore a \oplus b = e$   $\therefore$  Every Element in G has Inverse. Commutative: Let a,b  $\in G$ 

**THEOREM :** In a group the identity element is unique . **PROOF:** Let  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$  be two identities ina group  $(G, \cdot)$  **CLAIM :**  $e_1=e_2$ Since  $e_1$  be the identity and  $e_2\in G$  $e_1.e_2 = e_2.e_1=e_2---(1)$ 

 $e_1.e_2 = e_2.e_1 = e_2--(1)$ since  $e_2$  be the identity and  $e_1 \in G$ 

 $e_{2.} e_1 = e_1.e_2 = e_1 \dots (2)$ 

from 1&2

 $e_1 = e_2$ 

hence in a group, the identity element is unique.

**THEOREM:** In a group the inverse of any element is unique.

PROOF :Let (G, ·) be a group and `e" be the identity in G , a∈G Let b,c are two inverses of `a" a.b=b.a =e ---(1) since c is the inverse of `a" a.c =c.a=e----(2) now b=b.e =b(a.c) =(ba)c = e.c = c Therefore b=c

# Therefore In a group ,the inverse of each element is unique

# **CANCELLATION LAWS :**

Let a,b ,c $\in$ G and a $\neq$ 0 then left cancellation law (LCL):

Ab=bc=> b=c RIGHT CANCELLATION LAW (RCL): ba=ca=> b=c

### **THEOREM :**

Cancellation laws hold in a group in a group G. **PROOF** : Let  $a,b,c\in G$  and  $a\neq 0$ Let 'e" be the identity in G L.C.L: Now ab=ac  $a^{-1}(ab) = a^{-1}(ac)$  $(a^{-1}a)b = (a^{-1}a)c$ Eb=ec b=c R.C.L: Now consider ba =ca (ba)  $a^{-1} = ((a))a^{-1}$  $B(a a^{-1})=c(a a^{-1})$ b=c therefore hence cancelation laws in group G **THEOREM** : IN a group G and  $a,b\in G$  then  $(ab)^{-1}=b^{-1}a^{-1}$ **PROOF** : Let  $a, b \in G$  and 'e" be the identity in G **CLAIM** :  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1} a^{-1}$  $(1/ab) = b^{-1}a^{-1}$  $1 = (a.b) (b^{-1} a^{-1})$ Now consider (ab) =  $(b^{-1} a^{-1})$  $=(ab b^{-1}).a^{-1}$ = a.e.a<sup>-1</sup> (therefore e=1)  $= a.a^{-1}$ =1

Now consider  $(b^{-1} a^{-1}) (a.b) = (b^{-1} a^{-1} a).b$ = $b^{-1}.e.b (e=1)$ = $b^{-1}.b$ =1 Therefore  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1} a^{-1}$ 

# Problem

Show that a group G is an abelian  $\Box$  (if and only if )  $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2\forall a, b\in G$ Soln: given that G be a group Suppose that  $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2\forall a, b\in G$ Claim: G Isabelian That is ab=ba $(ab)^2 = a^2.b^2$ Consider (ab) (ab)=(a.a) (b.b) a(bc)=(ab)c (ab)a)b=(a.a)b)b A(ba)b=a(ab)b Ba=ab Therefore G is abelian Conversely suppose that G is abelian ,that is ab=ba

CLAIM: 
$$(ab)^2 = a^2 \cdot b^2 \forall a, b \in G$$
  
Consider  $(ab)^2 = (a b) (ab)$   
 $= a(ba)b$   
 $= a(ab)b$   
 $= (a.a) (b.b)$   
 $= a^2 \cdot b^2$   
 $(ab)^2 = a^2 \cdot b^2 \forall a, b \in G$   
Therefore a group G is an abelian  $\Box (ab)^2 = a^2 \cdot b^2 \forall a, b \in G$ 

**THEOREM** : In a group G , for  $a \in G a^{-1}=a$  then show that G is abelian **PROOF** : given that G be a group , for  $a \in G a^{-1}=a$ 

**CLAIM** : G is abelian Let  $a,b\in G$  $a^{-1}=a$ ,  $b^{-1}=b$ since $a,b\in G=>a,b\in G$  $(a b)^{-1}=ab$  $b^{-1}.a^{-1}=ab$ b.a =abtherefore G is abelian

**NOTE** : A semigroup  $(G, \cdot)$  is a group  $\Box$  for an a.b $\in$ G the eq ax=b and ya=b have solutions in

G.

**THEOREM** : A finite semi group  $(G, \cdot)$  satisfying cancellation laws is a group **PROOF**: Let  $G = \{a_1, a_2, ..., a_n\}$  be a finite semigroup with `n" distinct elements and cancellation laws hold in G **CLAIM** :  $(G, \cdot)$  is a group Let  $a \in G$ 

- $\Rightarrow$  a.  $a_1$ , a.  $a_2$ , ... a.  $a_n \in G$
- $\Rightarrow a. a_1, a.a_2, \dots a.a_n \text{ are all distinct elements in } G$  let  $b \in G$
- $\Rightarrow$  b= a.a<sub>k</sub> for some unique a<sub>k</sub> in G
- $\Rightarrow$  a.a<sub>k</sub>=b

ax=b has unique solution in G similarly , we get ya=b has a unique solution in G therefore  $(G,\cdot)$  is a group

**THEOREM** : If G is a group such that  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n$  for three consecutive positive integers  $\forall a, b \in G$  then show that  $(G, \cdot)$  is an abelian group.

**Proof** : Given that G is a group let  $a,b\in G$ 

Let m, m+1, m+2 be three consecutive positive integers.

Such that  $(ab)^{m}=a^{m}.b^{m}-\cdots(1)$   $(ab)^{m+1}=a^{m+1}.b^{m+1}\cdots(2)$   $(ab)^{m+2}=a^{m+2}.b^{m+2}\cdots(3)$ Now consider equation (3)  $(ab)^{m+2}=a^{m+2}.b^{m+2}$   $(ab)^{m+1}.(ab)^{1}=a^{m+1}.a.b^{m+1}.b$   $a^{m+1}.b^{m+1}.ab=a^{m}.a.a.b^{m+1}.b$   $a^{m}.b^{m+1}.a=a^{m}.a.b^{m+1}.b$   $a^{m}.b^{m}.b.a=a^{m}.a.b^{m}.b$   $\Rightarrow (ab)^{m},ba=(ab)^{m}.a.b$  $\Rightarrow ba=ab$  (by L.C.L)

therefore  $(G, \cdot)$  is abelian

# Order of an elements of a group :

- Let (G, .) be a group and a G then the order of the element a in G is defined as the least positive integer n such that a<sup>n</sup> = e
- In case such a positive integer does not exist say that the order of `a' is infinite (or) zero
- The order of `a" is defined as o(a) or |a|

# NOTE:

 $a^{m=e}$ , m is a positive integer in G I O(a)  $\leq$  M

**EXAMPLE:** Consider the group  $G=\{1,-1\}$  under usual multiplication. Find the order of each element in G. Solution: Given that  $G=\{1,-1\}$ Clearly e=1 is the identify

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Let a=1
(a)<sup>1</sup> =(1)<sup>1</sup>=1
(a)<sup>2</sup>=(1)<sup>2</sup>=1
(a)<sup>3</sup>=(1)<sup>3</sup>=1
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a=-1 (a)<sup>1</sup>=(-1)<sup>1</sup>≠ e (a)<sup>2</sup>=(-1)<sup>2</sup>=1 (a)<sup>3</sup>=(-1)<sup>3</sup>=-1≠ e (a)<sup>4</sup>= (-1)<sup>2</sup>=1 O (-1)=2

 $(a)^4 = (i)^4 = (i)^2 \cdot (i)^2 = (-1) (-1) = 1 = e$ 

Therefore O(-i)=4

**PROBLEM** :Find the order of each element in the multiplication group  $G = \{1, -1\}$ 1,i,-i. **SOL**: Given that  $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ Clearly e=1 is the identity Let a=1  $(a)^{1} = (1)^{1} = 1$  $(a)^2 = (1)^2 = 1$  $(a)^{3} = (1)^{3} = 1$ Therefore O(1)=1Let a=-1(a)<sup>1</sup> =(-1)<sup>1</sup>=-1≠e  $(a)^2 = (-1)^2 = 1$  $(a)^3 = (-1)^3 = -1 \neq e$  $(a)^4 = (-1)^4 = 1$ . O (-1)=2 Let a=i  $(a)^{1} = (i)^{1} = i$  $(a)^2 = (i)^2 = -1$  $(a)^3 = (i)^3 = (i)^2 \cdot i = (-1)i = -i$  $(a)^4 = (i)^4 = (i)^2 \cdot (i)^2 = (-1)(-1) = 1 = e$ Therefore O(i)=4Let a=-i $(a)^{1} = (-i)^{1} = -i$  $(a)^2 = (-1)^2 = (-i)(-i) = i^2 = -1$  $(a)^3 = (i)^3 = (-i) \cdot (-i) \cdot (-i) = (-1) \cdot i = i$ 

**PROBLEM:** Find the order of each element of the group G { 1,  $\omega$ ,  $\omega^2$ } under usual multiplications

**Solution:** Given that G is ( { 1,  $\omega$ ,  $\omega^2$  }, ·) is a group clearly e =1 is the identity Let a=1  $(a)^1 = (1)^1 = 1 = e$  $(a)^2 = (1)^2 = 1 = e$  $(a)^{3} = (1)^{3} = 1 = e$ Therefore 0(1)=1Let  $a = \omega$  $(a)^1 = (\omega)^1 = \omega^1$  $(a)^2 = (\omega)^2 = \omega^2$  $(a)^3 = (\omega)^3 = \omega^3 = 1 = e$ Therefore  $0(\omega) = 3$ Let  $a = \omega^2$  $(a)^{1} = (\omega^{2}\omega)^{1} = \omega^{2}$  $(a)^{2} = (\omega^{2})^{2} = (\omega^{4} = \omega^{3}. \omega = 1. \omega = \omega$  $(a)^{3} = (\omega^{2})^{3} = (\omega^{3})^{2} = (1)^{2} = 1 = e$ Therefore  $0(\omega^2) = 3$ 

### NOTE :

(1)  $+_n$  = addition modulo "n",  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$  $a+_n b$  = reminder when a+b is divisible by 'n" example : 2+2 3=1, 9+3 1=1, 3+3 3=0, 8+2 6=0, 2+4 5=3

(2)  $X_n$ = multiplication modulo `n",  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ 

 $aX_nb$ = reminder when  $a^{\times}b$  is divisible by `n'

example: 5x<sub>2</sub>6=0, 3x<sub>3</sub>3=0, 5x<sub>3</sub> 3=0.

(3) In additive notation  $,na=c \rightarrow O(a)=n$ .

**PROBLEM :**Find the order of each element of the group  $Z_6=\{0,1,2,3,4,5\}$  under the composition being addition modulo  $6(\text{or}) +_6$ Sol: Given that  $(Z_6, +_6)$  is a group clearly

e=0 is the identity

# **DEFINITION:**

Let a,b,  $\epsilon_z$ , we say that a/b (a divides b), if b = a.q for some  $q \epsilon_z$ Example : (1) 2|6 Here a=2,b=6 alb if b=a.q (2) 2|7 Here a=2, b=6 alb if b=a.q  $7 \neq 2(q)$ ,  $q \epsilon_z$ 

# **Division algorithm :**

If a,b,  $\stackrel{\leftarrow}{=}$  z and a≠0 then there exist (<sup>∋</sup>) a unique integer `q" and `r" such that b=a.q +r. Example : 2|7=7=2.(3)+1.

**THEOREM :** If in a group G , a  $\stackrel{\leftarrow}{G}$  such that 0(a) , then  $a^m = e \square n/m$ 

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PROOF: Given that G is a group and a \in G
Since O(a) = n
Aleast a positive integer such that a^n = e.....(1)
Assume that a^m = e
Claim :nlm
By division algorithm M = n.q+r... (2)
a^m = a^{n.q}+r
= a^{n.q}+a^r =>a^{n.q+r}
= (a^n)^{q.a^r}
= 1 \cdot a^r
a^m = e, 0 \le r < n
if r>0 then O(a) = r
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which is a contradiction to O(a) n
r>0
r=0
from (2) ,m =n=>nlm
conversely suppose that nlm
m=n \cdotq for some q \in
CLAIM: a<sup>m</sup>=e
a<sup>n</sup>=a<sup>nq</sup>
=(a<sup>n</sup>)<sup>q</sup>
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=e^{q}=e
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# WELL ORDERING PRINCIPLE:

Every non empty set of positive integer has a least element (number) **THEOREM :** Show that the order of each element in a finite group is finite and is less than are equal to the order of a group

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PROOF: Let G be a finite group and a \in G
CLAIM : O(a) is finite
Since a, a \in G, \cdot is a binary in G
a^2 \in \mathbf{G}
a<sup>3</sup>€G
By induction, a^n \in G \forall n
       a^1, a^2, \dots a^n \in G
since G is finite
let a^s = a^r for some r, s \in z^+, r > s
a<sup>s</sup>.a<sup>-s</sup>=a<sup>r</sup>.a<sup>-s</sup>
                   \Rightarrow a^{s-s} = a^{r-s}
                   \Rightarrow a^{0} = a^{r-s}\Rightarrow a^{r-s} = e, \text{ where } r-s \in z^{+}
                        let s = \{ a^m = e/m \in z^+ \} where r-s=m
                   \Rightarrow s \neq \phi
                        from Well ordering prinicipe, s has a least number say `n"
                        Therefore n is the least positive integer \exists a^n = e
                        0(a) is finite
                        0(a) \le 0(G) :
                        Suppose that O(a) \leq O(G)
                   \Rightarrow 0(a) . 0(G)
                   \Rightarrow Let O(a)=n then n >O(G)
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- $\Rightarrow$  Since  $a^1, a^2, \dots a^n$  are an distinct
- $\Rightarrow$  O(G) =n
- ⇒ n>n

 $\Rightarrow$  which is contradiction  $O(a) \le O(G)$ 

# **COMPOSITION TABLE :**

(1) Let  $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$  the G is a group

•	1	-1	i	-i
1	1	-1	i	-i
-1	-1	1	-i	1
Ι	Ι	-i	-1	1
-i	-i	i	1	-1

# **BINARY / CLOSURE LAW:**

Since all that entries (elements) of the table are the elements of G ASSOCIATIVE LAW :

(a.b) .c =a (bc)  $\forall$  a,b,c  $\in$  G

# **EXISTENCE OF IDENTITY:**

Since the top row is indentical with the row corresponding to 1 **EXISTENCE OF INVERSE :** 

Inverse of 1=1

Inverse of -1=-1

Inverse of i=-1

Inverse of -i = i

Therefore G is a group.

(2)Let G = {  $1, \omega, \omega^2$  } then G is a group

•	1	Ω	ω <sup>2</sup>
1	1	Ω	ω <sup>2</sup>
ω	ω	$\omega^2$	1
Ω	ω <sup>2</sup>	1	ω

# (1) **BINARY /CLOSURE LAW:**

Since all the existence (elements) of the table are the elements of G (2) Associative law :

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

### (3) EXISTENCE OF IDENTITY :

Since the top row is identical with the row corresponding to 1 (4)EXISTENCE OF INVERSE :

Inverse of 1=1

Inverse of  $\omega = \omega^2$ 

Inverse of  $\omega^2 = \omega$ 

Therefore G is a group

**1.**) Write down the binary operation table for which addition modulo  $6(+_6)$  of the set  $z_6 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ 

Given that  $z_6 = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \}$ 

(Z6	•	+6)
(20	•	107

(20, 10)						
+6	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	1	2	3	4	5
1	1	2	3	4	5	0
2	2	3	4	5	0	1
3	3	4	5	0	1	2
4	4	5	0	1	2	3
5	5	0	1	2	3	4

**2.**)Write down the binary operation table for which  $x_4$  (multiplication modulo 4) of the set  $z_4 = \{ 0,1,2,3 \}$ .

Given that  $z_4 = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3 \}$ . ( $z_4, x_4$ )

X4	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3
2	0	2	0	2
3	0	3	2	1

**3.**) Write down the binary operation table for which user multiplication table for which user multiplication of the Set  $a = \{1, -1\}$ 

•	1	-1
1	1	-1
-1	-1	1

# UNIT II

# **Sub Groups**

# **COMPLEX**:

Any subset of a group G is called a complex of G.

Example : 2z is of complex of z

# NOTE:

(1) If M , N are complex's of a group G then  $(M.N)^{-1} = N^{-1}$ .  $M^{-1}$ 

(2) If H is a complex of G then  $H^{-1} = \{ h^{-1}/h \in H \}$ 

# **SUB GROUP:**

Let G be a Group . A non empty Complex H of a Group G is said to be a Subgroup of G if H is a group with respect to the operation `.'(dot) in G .

# Ex:

(1) (2z, +) is a sub group of (z, +)

(2)(z,+) is a sub group of (Q,+)

(3) (Q,+) is a sub group of (R,+)

# NOTE :

(1) If H is a Subgroup of G then the identity element in H and G are same .Ex:

`0' is the identity in z with respect to the SubGroup of 2Z of Z ,0 is the identity element in 2z.

(2) If H is a SubGroup of a group G and a∈G then the inverse of a in G is same as the inverse of a in H

Ex:

-z is the common inverse of z in both z and 2z

# NOTE:

(1) If H is any sub group G then  $H^{-1}=H$ 

- (2) H is a sub group of a group  $G \Leftrightarrow HH^{-1}=H$
- (3) If H is any subgroup of a group G then H.H =H

# **THEROEM:**

# If H and K are two subgroups of a group G, then HK is a subgroup of G \Leftrightarrow HK =KH

# **PROOF:**

Given that H and K are two subgroups of a group G

# **NECESSARY CONDITION:**

 $\Rightarrow$ Suppose that H.K is a subgroups of G

# CLAIM: HK=KH

By known theorem  $(HK)^{-1} = HK$ 

 $=>K^{-1} H^{-1}=HK$ =>KH =HK=>HK =KH

# **SUFFICIENT CONDITION:**

Suppose that HK=KH

CLAIM: HK is a subgroup of G

Consider (HK)  $(HK)^{-1} = (H K) (K^{-1}.H^{-1})$ 

 $= H (K K^{-1}H^{-1})$  $= H(K K^{-1})H^{-1}$  $= (HK) H^{-1}$  $= (KH) H^{-1}$  $= K(H H^{-1})$ = KH= HK

Therefore HK is a subgroup of group G.

### **THEROEM :**

# A non empty set complex H is a SubGroup of G

 $\Leftrightarrow (1) a, b \in H \Rightarrow a.b \in H$ 

(2)  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$ .

### **PROOF:**

# **NECESSARY CONDITION:**

Suppose that H is a SubGroup of G

CLAIM: (1) and (2) holds

Since  $(H \cdot)$  its self a group

(1)For a,b  $\in$ H

 $\mathbf{a}.\mathbf{b}\in H$ 

for a  $\in$  H,H is a group

 $=>a^{-1} \in H.$ 

# SUFFICIENT CONDITION:

Suppose that (1)  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a.b \in H$ 

# (2) $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$

**CLAIM :** H is a SubGroup of a group G i.e, to prove that  $(H, \cdot)$  itself a group

**ASSOCIATIVE ;** Let  $a,b,c \in H$ 

 $\Rightarrow$ a,b,c ∈ *G*  $\Rightarrow$  (a.b).c= a.(b.c)

**IDENTITY:** Since  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$ 

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By (1) a, a^{-1} \in He \in H
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Therefore  $(H, \cdot)$  itself is a group

Therefore H is a subgroup of G.

# **THEROEM :**

A NON Empty Complex H is a SubGroup of a group  $G \Leftrightarrow a, b \in H$  then  $a, b^{\text{-1}} \in H$  .

# **PROOF**:

### **NECESSARY CONDITION:**

Suppose that H is a SubGroup of a group (G.)

CLAIM :

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

Since  $(H \cdot)$  itself is a group Let a,b  $\in$ H

 $\Rightarrow$ a  $\in$  *H*, *b*<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$ 

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

# SUFFICIENT CONDITION:

suppose that

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

CLAIM:

H is SubGroup of G (i.e) we have to prove that (H.) itself a Group

(1) **ASSOCIATIVE** : Let  $a,b,c \in H$ 

$$\Rightarrow a,b,c \in G$$
  
$$\Rightarrow (a.b).c = a.(b.c)$$

(2) **IDENTITY** : by (1) ,a,  $a \in H \Rightarrow a.a^{-1} \in H$ 

 $\Rightarrow e \in H$ 

(3) **INVERSE** : By (1)  $e, a \in H \Rightarrow e.a^{-1} \in H$ 

 $\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$ 

(4) **BINARY OPERATION**:

Let 
$$a, b \in H$$
  
 $\Rightarrow a \in H, b^{-1} \in H$   
by (1)  $, a.(b^{-1})^{-1} \in H$   
 $\Rightarrow a.b \in H$ 

Therefore  $(H, \cdot)$  itself is a group

Therefore H is a subgroup of G.

# **THEROEM**:

IF  $H_1, H_2$  are two SubGroup G then  $H_1 \cap H_2$  is also a SubGroup of G .

# **PROOF** :

Given that  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are two SubGroups of a group G

**CLAIM:**  $H_1 \cap H_2$  is a SubGroup of G

clearly e  $\in H_1 \cap H_2$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  H<sub>1</sub>  $\cap$  H<sub>2</sub> is a non empty subset

Let  $a, b \in H_1 \cap H_2$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 a,b  $\in$   $H_1$  and a,b  $\in$   $H_2$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 a.b<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$   $H_1$ and a.b<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$   $H_2$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  a.b<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$   $H_1 \cap H_2$ 

By known theorem,

 $H_1 \cap H_2$  is a subgroup of G

### **PROBLEM** :

By an Example to show that the union of two Subgroup's of a group need not be a subgroup .

### Solution:

consider 2z & 3z are two Subgroups' of a group (z,+ )

Now  $2z \cup 3z = \{0, \pm 2, \pm 3, \pm 4, \pm 6...\}$ 

Let  $3,2 \in 2z \cup 3z$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  3+2=5 not belongs to 2z U 3z

Therefore  $2z \cup 3z$  need not be a subgroup

### **THEROEM :**

If H<sub>1</sub>and H<sub>2</sub> are two subgroups of a group G, then  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a subgroup of G  $\Leftrightarrow$   $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  (or)  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ 

### **PROOF:**

Given  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are two subgroups of G

### SUFFICIENT CONDITION:

Suppose  $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  (or)  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ 

### CLAIM:

 $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a subgroup of G

If  $H_1 \subseteq H_2 \Rightarrow H_1 \cup H_2 = H_2$  is a SubGroup of G If  $H_2 \subseteq H_1 \Rightarrow H_1 \cup H_2 = H_1$  is a SubGroup of G

Therefore  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a SubGroup of G

### **NECESSARY CONDITION:**

Suppose  $H_1 \cup H_2$  is a SubGroup of G

**CLAIM** : 
$$H_1 \subseteq H_2$$
 (or)  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ 

If possible suppose that  $H_1 \subsetneq H_2$  (or)  $H_2 \subsetneq H_1$ 

Since  $H_1 \subsetneq H_2 \Rightarrow \exists a \in H_1 \ni a$  not belongs to  $H_2$ 

 $H_2 \subsetneq H_1 \Rightarrow \exists b \in H_2 \ni b \text{ not beings to } H_1$ 

Since a  $\in H_1$ , b  $\in H_2 \Rightarrow$  a, b  $\in H_1 \cup H_2$ 

 $\Rightarrow ab \in H_1 \cup H_2$   $\Rightarrow ab \in H_1 \text{ (or) } ab \in H_2$ Since  $a^{-1} \in H_1$ ,  $ab \in H_1$   $\Rightarrow a^{-1}(ab) \in H_1$   $\Rightarrow a^{-1} a.b \in H_1$   $\Rightarrow e.b \in H_1$  $\Rightarrow b \in H_1$ 

which is a contradiction to b does not belongs to  $H_1$  similarly, we array a contradiction to a does not belongs to  $H_2$ .

Therefore  $H_1 \subseteq H_2$  (or)  $H_2 \subseteq H_1$ .

### **THEROEM:**

A finite non empty complex H is a SubGroup of a Group G  $\Leftrightarrow$ a,b  $\in$  H for ab $\in$  H

### **PROOF**:

# **NECESSARY CONDITION:**

Suppose that H is a SubGroup of a Group  $(G, \cdot)$ 

i.e ,( H .) itself is a group

**CLAIM:**  $a,b \in H \Rightarrow ab \in H$ 

Let a,  $b \in H$ 

 $\Rightarrow a.b \in H$ 

### **SUFFICIENT CONDITION:**

Let  $a, b \in H$ -----(1) for  $a, b \in H$ 

CLAIM: H is a subgroup of G

(1) from (1), . is a Binary operation on H

# (2) ASSOCIATIVE LAW:

Let a,b,c  $\in H$ 

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

 $\Rightarrow$ a.(bc)=(ab).c

(3) **IDENTITY** : Let  $a \in H$ 

Since a,  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^2 \in H$  $a^3 \in H$ 

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 $a^{n} \in H$  for  $n \in z^{+}$ Let  $a^{r}=a^{s}$  for some  $r, s \in z^{+}, r>s$  $\Rightarrow a^{r}.a^{-s}=a^{s}.a^{-s}$  $\Rightarrow a^{r-s}=a^{s-s}$  $\Rightarrow a^{r-s}=a^{\circ}=e$  $\Rightarrow a^{r-s}=e$  $\Rightarrow e \in H$ 

### (4) **INVERSE** : Let $a \in H$

Clearly r-s-1  $\in z^+ \Rightarrow a^{r-s-1} \in H$ Also  $a^1.(a^{r-s-1}) = a^{r-s} = e$ Therefore  $a^{r-s-1} \in H$  is the inverse of `a' Therefore H itself a group Therefore H is a subgroup of G

# NORMALIZER OF AN ELEMENT IN A GROUP :

If G is a group and  $a \in G$  then the set N (a) ={x  $\in G / ax = x a$ } is called the NORMALIZER of `a' in G.

# **CENTRAIZER (OR) CENTRE OF A GROUP:**

If G is a Group then the set Z (G) (or) Z={  $a \in G/ax=xa \in G$ } is called Centre of a Group .

### **THEROEM:**

Show that N(a) of `a' is a sub group of G.

### **PROOF**:

CLAIM: N (a) is a subgroup of G

Let 
$$a \in G$$
  
Since  $a \cdot e = e \cdot a$   
 $\Rightarrow e \in N(a)$   
Therefore N (a)  $\neq \emptyset \subseteq G$   
(1) Let x, y  $\in N$  (a)  
 $\Rightarrow a x = xa, ay = y a$   
Now (x y)  $a = x$  (y a)  
 $= x (ay)$   
 $= (x a) y$   
 $= (ax) y$   
(x y)  $a = a(x y)$   
 $\Rightarrow x y \in N(a)$ 

(2) Let 
$$x \in N(a)$$
  

$$\Rightarrow x a=ax$$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow e. a. x^{-1}=x^{-1}.a.e$$

$$\Rightarrow .a. x^{-1}=x^{-1}.a$$

$$\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in N$$
 (a)

Therefore N(a) is a SubGroup of G.

# **THEROEM:**

Show that the centre Z(G) is a subgroup of G

**PROOF**:

Let  $Z = \{a \in G | ax = xa \forall x \in G \}$ 

# CLAIM: Z is a SubGroup of G

Let  $x \in G$ Since x. e = e . x $\Rightarrow e \in Z$ 

Therefore  $Z \neq \emptyset \subseteq G$ 

(1) Let  $a, b \in Z$ 

$$\Rightarrow a x=xa; bx=x b$$
Now (a b) x=a (b x)
$$= a(x b)$$

$$= (ax) b$$
(a b)x =(x a)b  
(a b)x = x(a b)
$$\Rightarrow ab \in Z$$

(2) Let  $a \in Z$ 

$$\Rightarrow x a=a x$$
  

$$\Rightarrow a x=x a$$
  

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

$$\Rightarrow (a^{-1}a) (xa^{-1}) = a^{-1}x (aa^{-1})$$
  

$$\Rightarrow e.xa^{-1}=a^{-1}x.e$$
  

$$\Rightarrow xa^{-1}=a^{-1}x$$
  

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in Z$$

Therefore Z is a subgroup of G.

# **COSETS AND LAGRANGE'S THEOREM:**

# **DEFINITION:**

Let H be a subgroup of a group G and  $a\in G$  then this set  $a.H = \{a.h/h \in H\}$  is called left coset of H in G & the set H.a =  $\{h.a /h\in H\}$  is called Right coset of H in G.

# NOTE:

If H is a subgroup of an abelian group G then a.H=H.a.

i.e , every left coset is a right coset .

# **RESULT:**

Let H be a subgroup of G and a,  $b \in G$ 

Then

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(1) a \in H \Leftrightarrow a.H = H
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a \in H \Leftrightarrow H.a = H
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$$(2)a\in Hb \Leftrightarrow H.a=H.b$$

 $a \in bH \Leftrightarrow a.H = b.H$ 

$$(3)$$
H.a =H.b  $\Leftrightarrow$  a.b<sup>-1</sup> $\in$ H

 $a.H = b.H \Leftrightarrow a^{-1}.b \in H$ 

# **THEROEM:**

Any two left cosets of a subgroup of a group are either disjoint (or) identical .

# **PROOF:**

Let H be a subgroup of a group G and  $a,b\in G$ .

Let aH,bH be two left cosets of H in G

# CLAIM :

aH ∩ bH =Ø (or) aH=bH Suppose that aH∩bH ≠Ø To prove that aH =bH Let c∈aH∩bH ⇒c∈ aH and c∈bH ⇒cH =aH and cH= bH ⇒aH=cH=bH ⇒aH=bH

Therefore aH and bH are identical.

# **THEROEM**:

Any two right cosets of a subgroup of a group either disjoint (or) identical .

# **PROOF**:

Let H be a subgroup of a group G and  $a,b\in G$ 

Let Ha,Hb be two Right cosets of H in G

# **CLAIM:** $Ha \cap Hb = \emptyset$

Suppose that  $Ha \cap Hb \neq \emptyset$ 

To prove that Ha =Hb

Let  $c \in Ha \cap Hb$ 

 $\Rightarrow$ c $\in$ Ha and c $\in$ *Hb*
⇒Hc=Ha and Hc=Hb

⇒Ha=Hc=Hb

⇒Ha=Hb

Therefore Ha and Hb are identical.

#### **THEROEM**:

If H is any subgroup of a group G then there exists a bijection between any two left cosets of H in G .

#### **PROOF**:

Given that H is a subgroup of a G and  $a, b \in G$ .

Let aH,bH be two left cosets of H in G

Define f:  $aH \rightarrow bH$  by (ah) = bh, for  $ah \in aH$ 

#### f is one --one:

Let  $ah_{1,ah_2} \in aH$  for  $h_1, h_2 \in H$ 

Consider  $f(ah_1) = f(ah_2)$ 

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\Rightarrow bh_1 = bh_2
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 $\Rightarrow h_1 = h_2$ 

 $\Rightarrow ah_1 = ah_2$ 

# f is on -to:

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Let bH \inbH

\Rightarrow h\inH

\Rightarrow a\cdoth \in aH

by (1), f(ah) =bh
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Therefore, f is onto

Therefore,  $f:aH \rightarrow bH$  is a bijection.

#### NOTE:

By above theorem , concludes that any two left (right) cosets have the same no.of elements

# **THEROEM**:

If H is a subgroup of a group G then there is a one to one correspondece between the set of all distinct left cosets of H inG and the set of all disrinct Right cosets of H inG.

# **PROOF:**

Let  $G_1$ =set of all distinct left cosets of H in G .

 $G_2$  = Set of all distinct Right cosets of H in G

Define f:G<sub>1</sub> $\rightarrow$ G<sub>2</sub> by f(aH) =H.a<sup>-1</sup>, for aH $\in$ G

# f is well defined and one-one :

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Let aH, bH \in G_1
Let aH = bH
\Leftrightarrow a^{-1} \cdot b \in H
\Leftrightarrow a^{-1}[(b^{-1})]^{-1} \in H
\Leftrightarrow Ha^{-1} = Hb^{-1}
\Leftrightarrow f(aH) = f(bH).
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f is onto :

Let  $Ha \in G_2$   $\Rightarrow a \in G$   $\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in G$   $\Rightarrow a^{-1} \cdot H \in G$ , Therefore  $f(a^{-1}H) = H(a^{-1})^{-1}$  [by (1)] = HaTherefore f is onto Therefore f:G<sub>1</sub> $\rightarrow$  G<sub>2</sub> is a bijection

# THEROEM :

#### State and Prove Lagrange's Theorem.

#### **STATEMENT :**

If H is a subgroup of a finite group G then O(H) | O(G)

#### **PROOF**:

Given that H is a subgroup of a finite group G

 $\Rightarrow$ H is finite & the no.of right cosets of H in G is finite

Let  $Ha_1, Ha_2, \ldots, Ha_k$  be the distinct right cosets of H in G.

We know that every Right cosets of

 $O(Ha_1)=O(Ha_2)=\ldots=O(Ha_k)=o(H)$ 

Since G is finte, the right cosets partitions into equivalence classes.

Therefore  $G = Ha_1 \cup Ha_2 \cup ... \cup Ha_k$ 

$$\Rightarrow O(G) = O[Ha_1 \cup Ha_2 \cup ... \cup Ha_k]$$

$$=O(Ha_1)+O(Ha_2)+\ldots+O(Ha_k)$$

- $\Rightarrow$  O(G)=O(H) +O(H)+...[ K times ]
- $\Rightarrow$  O(G) =O(H).k
- $\Rightarrow O(H) \mid O(G).$

# **UNIT : III**

#### **Normal Subgroups**

# **Definition:**

A Subgroup H of a Group G is said to be Normal in G if x h x  $^{-1}$   $\varepsilon$  H,  $\forall$  h  $\varepsilon$  H , x  $\varepsilon$  G

(or)

X H  $x^{-1} \subseteq$  H  $\forall x \in$  G and it is denoted by H  $\alpha$  G

Theorem :

#### Show that Every Subgroup of an abelian group is Normal

Proof: let H be a Subgroup of an abelian group G

Claim : H  $\alpha$ G

Let  $h \in H$ ,  $x \in G$   $x h x^{-1} = (hx)x^{-1}$   $=h(xx^{-1})$  =he  $\therefore x h x^{-1}$  $\therefore x h x^{-1} \in H$ 

There fore H  $\alpha$ G

**Theorem :** 

A Subgroup H of a Group G is Normal in  $G \Leftrightarrow xHx^{-1}=H$ ,  $\forall x \in G$ 

(or)

H  $\alpha$  G  $\Leftrightarrow$  x H x<sup>1</sup>= H,  $\forall$  xeG

# **Proof** :

Necessary condition : let  $H \alpha G$ 

By definition  $x Hx^{-1} \subseteq H$ ------(i)  $\forall x \in G$ Claim :  $x H x^{-1}=H \forall x \in G$ From (i)  $x^{-1}H (x^{-1})^{-1} \subseteq H \forall$   $X (x^{-1}H x) x^{-1} \subseteq x H x^{-1}$ ( $x x^{-1}$ ) H( $x x^{-1}$ )  $\subseteq x H x^{-1}$   $e (H x) x^{-1} \subseteq x H x^{-1}$   $H (x x^{-1}) \subseteq x H x^{-1}$   $H e \subseteq x H x^{-1}$   $H \subseteq x H x^{-1} \forall x \in G$ ------(ii) From (i) and (ii)  $x H x^{-1}=H, \forall x \in G$ 

Sufficiant Condition :

Suppose that x H x<sup>-1</sup>=H-----(iii)  $\forall x \in G$ 

Claim : H αG

From (iii) it is clear  $x H x^{-1} \subseteq H \forall x \in G$ There fore  $H \alpha G$ 

#### **Theorem :**

A Subgroup H of a group G is Normal in G  $\Leftrightarrow$  Each left coset of H in G is a right coset of H in G

#### **Proof** :

**Necessary condition :** 

#### Let H $\alpha$ G

Claim: Each left coset is a right coset of H in G

By known theorem  $x H x^{-1} = H \forall x \in G$   $\Rightarrow x H x^{-1} x = H x$   $\Rightarrow x H e = H x$  $\Rightarrow x H = H x, \forall x \in G$ 

Therefore Each left coset is a right coset of H in G

# **Sufficiant condition :**

Suppose that Each left coset is right coset of H in G

That is  $X H = H X \dots(i)$ 

Claim :  $H \alpha G$ 

From (i) ,XH=HX

 $\Rightarrow$  X H X<sup>-1</sup> = H X X<sup>-1</sup>

 $\Rightarrow$  X H X<sup>-1</sup> = He

$$\Rightarrow X H X^{-1} = H, \forall x \in G$$

There fore H  $\alpha$  G

**Theorem :** 

A Subgroup H of a group G is a Normal Subgroup of  $G \Leftrightarrow$  The product of two right cosets of H in G is again a right coset of H in G

**Proof** :

**Neccessary Condition :** 

Let  $H \alpha G$ 

**Claim :** Let  $a,b,ab \in G$ 

 $\Rightarrow$ Ha,Hb,Hab  $\in$  G are right cosets of H in G

Consider (Ha) (Hb) =H (aH) b

=H (Ha) b

=(HH) ab

=Hab is a right coset

 $\div\,$  The product of two right cosets of H in G is again a right coset of H in G

Sufficiant condition :

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Let (Ha) (Hb) = Hab..... (i)
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Claim : H  $\alpha$  G

Let  $x \in G$ ,  $h \in H$ 

Consider  $xhx^{-1} = (ex) h x^{-1} \in Hx H x^{-1}$ 

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{}^{=}H \ge x^{-1}
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= He
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=H

 $\Rightarrow$  x h x<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$  H

: By definition, H is a Normal Subgroup of G

also

#### Theorem:

Show that the intersection of two Normal Subgroups of a group G is again a Normal Subgroup of G

#### proof :

Let H and K be two Normal Subgroups of group G

Claim :  $H \cap K \alpha G$ 

Clearly  $H \cap K$  is a subgroup

Let  $x \in G$ ,  $h \in H \cap K$   $\Rightarrow x \in G$ ,  $h \in H$   $\Rightarrow x h x^{-1} \in H$ ......(i)  $x \in G$ ,  $h \in K$   $\Rightarrow x h x^{-1} \in K$ ......(ii) From (i) and  $\therefore x h x^{-1} \in H \cap K$ 

$$\cdot$$
 H  $\cap$  K  $\alpha$  G

# Simple group :

A Group G is said to be Simple if it has no proper Normal Subgroups

# Note :

G is Simple if and only if G has no Normal Subgroups other than G and  $\{e\}$ 

#### **Theorem:**

Prove that Every group of prime order is simple

#### **Proof**:

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Let G be a Group of Prime order P

Let N be a Normal Subgroup of G

By Lagrange's theorem

O(N) / O(G)  $\Rightarrow O(N) / P$  $\Rightarrow O(N) = 1 (or) O (N) = P$ 

If O(N) = 1, then  $N = \{e\}$ 

If O(N) = P, then N = G

∴G has no Proper Normal Subgroups and hence, G is Simple

Hence, Every Group of Prime Order is Simple

#### UNIT -4

#### **HOMOMORPHISMS**

**DEFINITIONS:-**

**HOMOMORPHISM:** - Let G,G' be two groups. A mapping f: G  $\rightarrow$ G' is called a "**Homomorphism**" if f(ab)=f(a) · f(b)  $\forall$  a,b∈G.

**HOMOMORPHIC** IMAGE :- If  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  is a homomorphism then the set  $f(G)=\{f(a)/a \in G\}$  is called a "Homomorphic Image Of G".

**MONOMORPHISM:** - A mapping  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  is called a "**Monomorphism**"

if (I) f is homomorphism (II) f is 1-1.

**EPIMORPHISM:** - A mapping  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  is called a "**Epimorphism**" if

(i)f is homomorphism and (ii)f is onto.

**Isomorphism:** - A mapping f:  $G \rightarrow G'$  is called an **"Isomorphism"** if (i) f is homomorphism and (ii) f is both 1-1 and onto.

**Endomorphism:** - A homomorphism f:  $G \rightarrow G$  is called an **"Endomorphism"**.

Automorphism :- A mapping f:  $G \rightarrow G$  is called an "Automorphism" if (i) f is homomorphism (ii) f is both 1-1 and onto.

**Isomorphic:** - Two graphs G and G' are said to be **"isomorphic"** if there exists an isomorphism of G and G' we write G≈G'.

Theorem:-\_Let (G,  $\cdot$  ) and (G',  $\cdot$  ) be two groups Let f be a homomorphism from G onto G' Then (i)f(e)=e' where e be the identity in G and e' be the identity in G' (ii)f(a<sup>-'</sup>)={f(a)}.<sup>-'</sup>

**Proof:-** Given that  $(G, \cdot)$  and  $(G', \cdot)$  be two groups and f:G  $\rightarrow$ G' is a homomorphism.

i.e.,  $f(ab)=f(a).f(b) \forall a \in G$ 

(i)To prove f(e)=e

$$\Rightarrow$$
 f(e).f(e)=f(e).e'

 $\Rightarrow$  f(e)=e'

ii) To prove f(a<sup>-</sup>') = (f(a))<sup>-</sup>'

 $= f(e). \qquad By(i) f(e)=e'$ = e' $\Rightarrow f(a^{-'}).f(a) = e'$ Therefore  $f(a^{-'})=(f(a))^{-'}$ 

i.e The inverse of  $f(a^{-1})$  is f(a).

# Theorem :- If f is a homomorphism from a group $(G, \cdot)$ into $(G', \cdot)$ Then

# (f(G), $\cdot$ ) Is a subgroup of G' (or) the homomorphic Image of a group is a group.

**Proof:-** Given that f:  $G \rightarrow G'$  is a homomorphism

The homomorphic Image of G is  $f(G)=\{f(a)/a\in G\}$ 

To Prove that f(G) is a subgroup of G

Clearly  $f(G) \subseteq G'$ 

Let  $a', b' \in f(G)$ 

Then there exists  $a,b \in G$  such that f(a)=a' and f(b)=b'

Now a' (b')<sup>-</sup>' = f(a)  $\cdot$  (f(b))<sup>-</sup>' = f(a)  $\cdot$  f(b<sup>-</sup>') = f(ab<sup>-</sup>')  $\in$  f(G)  $\Rightarrow$ a'(b')<sup>-</sup>'  $\in$  f(G) Therefore a',b'  $\in$ f(G)' Then a'(b')<sup>-</sup>'  $\in$ f(G)  $\therefore$ f(G) is a subgroup of G'

#### Theorem:- Every Homomorphic Image of an abelian group is abelian.

**Proof:-** Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be an abelian group and  $(G', \cdot)$  be a group

Let  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism

Let G' be the homomorphic Image of G i.e G'=f(G)

To prove that G' is abelian

Since G is abelian  $\Rightarrow$  ab=ba for a, b  $\in$  G

Let a'b'∈G'

Then there exists  $a,b\in G \ni f(a)=a'$  and f(b)=b'

= f(ba) = f(b) · f(a) = b'a' ⇒a'b'= b'a'

Therefore G' is abelian

# Kernel of a homomorphism:-

If f is a homomorphism of a group G into a group G' then the kernel of f is defined by Ker  $f={x\in G/f(x)=e'}$  where e' is the identity in G'.

Theorem: - If f is a homomorphism of a group G into a group G' then the kernel of f is a normal subgroup of G.

Proof:- Given that G and G' are two groups

Also  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism

To prove that ker f is a normal subgroup of G we know that

Ker  $f={x \in G/f(x)=e'}$  where e'is the identity in G'

Since  $e \in G \Rightarrow f(e)=e'$ ,  $e \in ker f$ 

⇒ker f≠Ø⊆G

First we Prove ker f is a subgroup of G

Let a,b∈ ker f

 $\Rightarrow$ f(a)=e' and f(b)=e'

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

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

$$= e'.(e')^{-'}$$
$$= e'.e'$$
$$= e'$$
$$\Rightarrow f(ab^{-'})=e'$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-'} \in \ker f$$

Therefore ker f is a subgroup of G.

Now we Prove ker f is normal

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Let x \in G and a \in \ker f \Rightarrow f(a) = e'

Now f(xax^{-'}) = f(x)f(a)f(x^{-'})

= f(x).e'.f(x^{-'})

= f(x).f(x^{-'})

= f(e) = e'

\Rightarrow f(xax^{-'}) = e'

\Rightarrow xax^{-'} \in \ker f
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 $\div$  ker f is a normal subgroup of G.

Theorem: - The necessary and sufficient condition for a homomorphism f of a group G onto group G' with kernel K to be an isomorphism of G into G' is that k={e}.

**Proof:** - Let f be a homomorphism of a group G onto a group G'.

Let e,e' be the identities in G,G' respectively.

Let k be the kernel of f.

# i.e., K = Ker f = {x∈G/f(x)=e'}

Suppose  $f:G \rightarrow G'$  is an isomorphism

To prove that k = {e}.

Let a∈k

$$\Rightarrow$$
f(a)=f(e)

 $\Rightarrow$ a=e for a $\in$ G

Therefore e is the only element of k

 $\Rightarrow$ K = {e}

Conversely, suppose K = {e}

To Prove that f is an isomorphism.

Since f is onto homomorphism.

To prove f is one-one

Let a,b∈G

f(a) = f(b)

$$\Rightarrow f(a)(f(b))^{-'} = f(b) (f(b))^{-'}$$
$$\Rightarrow f(ab^{-'}) = e$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-'} \in K = \{e\}$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-'} = e$$

 $\Rightarrow$  a = b

∴ f is one-one

Therefore f is an Isomorphism of G onto G'.

Theorem:- Let f be a homomorphism of a group G into G' then f is Monomorphism  $\Leftrightarrow$  ker f ={e} where e is the identity in G.

**Proof :-** Let f be a homomorphism of a group G into G'

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We Know that Ker f={x∈G/f(x)=e'}

Suppose f: G→G' is Monomorphism

To Prove that ker f={e}

Let a∈ker f

⇒ f(a) = e'.

⇒ f(a) = f(e)

⇒a = e for a∈G

∴ e is the only element of ker f

⇒ ker f={e}

Conversely, suppose ker f={e}

To prove that f is Monomorphism

Since f is homomorphism.
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To prove f is one-one.

Let a,b∈G

f(a)=f(b)

$$\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot (f(b))^{-1} = f(b) \cdot (f(b))^{-1}$$
$$\Rightarrow f(a)f(b^{-1}) = e$$
$$\Rightarrow f(ab^{-1}) = e$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in k = \{e\}$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in k = \{e\}$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} = e$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} = e$$
$$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} = eb$$
$$\Rightarrow ae = b$$
$$\Rightarrow ae = b$$
$$\Rightarrow a = b$$
$$\therefore f \text{ is one-one}$$

 $\therefore$  f is an monomorphism of G into G'.

Theorem:- Let G be a group and N be a normal subgroup of G. Let f be a mapping from G to G/N defined by f(x)=Nx for  $x\in G$ . Then f is a homomorphism of G onto G/N and ker f = N

**Proof:-** Given that G is a group and N is a normal subgroup of G.

Let f be a mapping from G to G/N defined by  $f(x)=Nx \rightarrow (1)$  for  $x\in G$ .

(i) f is a homomorphism :-

Let  $a,b \in G$   $f(ab) = Nab \therefore by(1)$   $= Na \cdot Nb \quad (\because Ha \cdot Hb = Hab)$ = f(a).f(b)  $\Rightarrow$  f(ab) = f(a).f(b)

Therefore f is a homomorphism.

(ii) f is onto :-

Let  $Nx \in G/N$  for  $x \in G$ 

Since  $x \in G$ 

Now 
$$f(x)=Nx$$
  $\therefore$  by (1)

 $\therefore$  f is onto

(iii) ker f=N :-

The identity of the quotient group G/N is N

 $\Rightarrow \ker f = \{x \in G/f(x) = N\}$ Let k ∈ ker f  $\Rightarrow f(k) = N$ By (1) f(k) = Nk  $\Rightarrow N = Nk$   $\Rightarrow k \in N$   $\Rightarrow \ker f \subseteq N \rightarrow (1) \quad (H = hH, h \in H)$ Let n ∈ N We have f(n) = Nn = N  $\Rightarrow f(n) = N$   $\Rightarrow n \in \ker f$  $\Rightarrow N \subseteq \ker f \rightarrow (2)$ 

From (1) and (2) we get ker f = N

**Definition:** - The mapping  $f:G \rightarrow G/N$  such that f(x)=Nx for all  $x \in G$  is called Natural (or) "canonical homomorphism".

#### **PROBLEM:**

 If for a group G, f:G→G is given by f(x)=x<sup>2</sup> ∀ x∈G is a homomorphism then prove that G is abelian.

**Proof** : Given that  $f:G \rightarrow G$  is a homomorphism and is defined by

$$f(x)=x^2 \forall x \in G$$
  
To Prove G is a abelian  
Let x,y  $\in$  G  $\Rightarrow$   $f(x)=x^2, f(y)=y^2$   
 $xy \in$ G $\Rightarrow$   $f(xy)=(xy)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow$   $f(x) \cdot f(y)=(xy)(xy)$   
 $\Rightarrow x^2 \cdot y^2=(xy)(xy)$   
 $\Rightarrow (x \cdot x)(y \cdot y)=(xy)(xy)$   
 $\Rightarrow x (xy)y=x(yx)y$   
 $\Rightarrow xy=yx$   
 $\therefore$  G is abelian.

Theorem: - Let G be a multiplicative group and  $f:G \rightarrow G$  be a mapping such that for  $a \in G$ ,  $f(a)=a^{-1}$  then prove that f is one-one onto. Also prove that f is a homomorphism iff G is commutative

**Proof:-** Given that  $f:G \rightarrow G$  is a mapping defined by  $f(a)=a^{-1}$  for all  $a \in G$ 

(i) f is one –one :- Let a,b∈G

$$f(a) = f(b)$$
  
 $a^{-'} = b^{-'}$   
 $(a^{-'})^{-'} = (b^{-'})^{-'}$   
 $a = b$ 

 $\therefore$  f is one - one

# (ii) <u>f is onto</u> :- Let x∈G

Then  $x^- \in G$  such that  $f(x^-) = (x^-)^{-1}$ 

= x ⇒  $f(x^{-'}) = x$ ∴  $\exists x^{-'} \in G \ni f(x^{-'}) = x$ ⇒ f is onto

# (iii) Suppose f is a homomorphism :-

To prove G is commutative  
Let a, b 
$$\in$$
G  $\Rightarrow$ f(a)= a<sup>-'</sup>, f(b)=b<sup>-'</sup>  
Since f(ab)= f(a) · f(b)  
 $\Rightarrow$  (ab)<sup>-'</sup> = a<sup>-'</sup> · b<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  (b<sup>-'</sup>a<sup>-'</sup>=a<sup>-'</sup> · b<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  (b<sup>-'</sup>a<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>=(a<sup>-'</sup>b<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  (b<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>(a<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>=(a<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>(b<sup>-'</sup>)<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  ba = ab  
 $\Rightarrow$  ab = ba

Conversely, suppose G is commutative

i.e. a,b $\in$ G  $\Rightarrow$ ab=ba

To prove f is a homomorphism

Now f(ab)=(ab)<sup>-'</sup>  $= b^{-'}a^{-'}$   $= a^{-'}b^{-'}$   $= f(a) \cdot f(b)$   $\Rightarrow f(ab) = f(a) \cdot f(b)$ 

Fundamental theorem of homomorphism of groups:-

Statement:-If f:G  $\rightarrow$ G' is a homomorphism and onto with kernel K, then Prove that G/K  $\approx$ G'.

OR

Every homomorphism Image of a group G is "Isomorphic" to some "quotient group" of G.

**Proof:-** Let f be a homomorphism of a group G onto group G'.

Then f(G)=G

 $\Rightarrow$  K is a normal subgroup of G.

 $\Rightarrow$  G/K is a quotient group.

for  $a \in G$ ,  $Ka \in G/K$  and  $f(a) \in G'$ 

Now Define a mapping  $\emptyset : G/K \rightarrow G'$  by  $\emptyset(Ka)=f(a)$  for  $a \in G$ 

ø is well defined:-

Let Ka,Kb∈G/K

Now Ka = Kb

$$ab^{-'} \in K$$
  

$$\Rightarrow f(ab^{-'}) = e'$$
  

$$\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot f(b^{-'}) = e'$$
  

$$\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot (f(b))^{-'} f(b) = e'f(b)$$
  

$$\Rightarrow f(a) e' = e' f(b)$$
  

$$\Rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \emptyset(Ka) = \emptyset(Kb)$$
  
∴ Ø is well defined

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Ø is one-one :-

Let Ka,Kb 
$$\in$$
 G/K  
 $\varnothing(Ka)= \varnothing(Kb)$   
 $\Rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$   
 $\Rightarrow f(a) e' = e'f(b)$   
 $\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot (f(b))^{-'} f(b) = e' f(b)$   
 $\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot (f(b))^{-'} = e'$   
 $\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot f(b^{-'}) = e'$   
 $\Rightarrow f(ab)^{-'} = e'$   
 $\Rightarrow f(ab)^{-'} = e'$   
 $\Rightarrow ab^{-'} \in K$   
 $\Rightarrow Ka = Kb$   
 $\therefore \varnothing$  is one-one.

ø is onto :-

Let x∈G′

Since f:G
$$\rightarrow$$
G' is onto

$$\Rightarrow \exists a \in G \ni f(a)=x$$

Since  $a \in G$  then  $ka \in G/K$ 

$$\Rightarrow \emptyset(Ka) = x$$

 $\therefore \emptyset$  is onto

#### ø is a homomorphism:-

Let Ka, Kb 
$$\in$$
 G/K  
 $\varnothing$  (Ka·Kb) =  $\varnothing$ (Kab)  
= f(ab)  
= f(a)·f(b)  
=  $\varnothing$ (Ka)· $\varnothing$ (Kb)  
 $\Rightarrow \varnothing$ (Ka·Kb) =  $\varnothing$ (Ka)· $\varnothing$ (Kb)  
 $\therefore \varnothing$  is a homomorphism  
Hence  $\varnothing$ :G/K $\rightarrow$ G' is an isomorphism.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 G/K  $\approx$  G'

# Theorem: - show that the mapping $f:G \rightarrow G$ is defined by $f(a)=a^{-1}$ for $a \in G$ is an automorphism iff G is abelian.

**Proof:** - Given that  $f:G \rightarrow G$  is a mapping defined by  $f(a)=a^{-1}$  for  $a \in G$ .

First Assume f is an automorphism.

To prove G is abelian

Let x,y 
$$\in$$
 G  $\Rightarrow$  f(x) = x<sup>-</sup>', f(y) = y<sup>-</sup>'  
 $\Rightarrow$  f(xy) = (xy)<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  f(xy) = y<sup>-'</sup>x<sup>-'</sup>  
 $\Rightarrow$  f(xy) = f(y)f(x)  
 $\Rightarrow$  f(xy) = f(yx)  
 $\Rightarrow$  xy = yx

∴ G is abelian

Conversely suppose G is abelian

To prove f is an Automorphism

f is one-one :-

Let x,y 
$$\in$$
 G  
f(x) = f(y)  
 $x^{-1} = y^{-1}$   
 $(x^{-1})^{-1} = (y^{-1})^{-1}$   
 $x = y$ 

 $\div f \text{ is one-one}$ 

f is onto :-

Let 
$$x \in G$$
 (co-domain)  
Then  $x^{-'} \in G$  (domain)  
Now  $f(x^{-'}) = (x^{-'})^{-'} = x$   
 $\therefore x \in G \exists x^{-'} \in G \ni f(x^{-'}) = x$   
 $\Rightarrow f$  is onto

#### f is homomorphism :-

Let x,y 
$$\in$$
 G  

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

$$= y^{-1}x^{-1}$$

$$= x^{-1}y^{-1}$$

$$= f(x) \cdot f(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(xy) = f(x) \cdot f(y)$$

$$\therefore f \text{ is a homomorphism}$$

Hence f is an Automorphism.

Theorem: - Let a be a fixed element of a group G.Then the mapping  $f_a:G\rightarrow G$  is defined by  $f_a(x)=a^{-1}xa$  for  $x\in G$  is an Automorphism of G.

**Proof :-** Let a be a fixed element of G.

fa:G $\rightarrow$ G is defined by f<sub>a</sub>(x) = a<sup>-1</sup>xa for x $\in$ G

To prove fa is an Automorphism

f<sub>a</sub> is one-one :-

Let x,y  $\in$  G  $f_a(x) = f_a(y)$   $\Rightarrow a^{-1}xa = a^{-1}ya$   $\Rightarrow x = y$  $\therefore$  fa is one-one

fais onto :-

Let y∈G (Co-Domain)

Since a∈G  
⇒a<sup>-'</sup>∈G  
⇒aya<sup>-'</sup>∈G (Domain)  
Now 
$$f_a(aya^{-'}) = a^{-'}(aya^{-'})a$$
  
 $= (a^{-'}a)y(a^{-'}a)$   
 $= e y e$   
 $= y$   
∴y∈G ∃ aya<sup>-'</sup>∈G ∋  $f_a(aya^{-'}) = y$ 

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\Rightarrow f_a \text{ is onto}
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fa is a homomorphism :-

- Let x,y  $\in$  G  $f_a(xy) = a^- xya$   $= a^- xeya$   $= a^- xeya$  $= a^- xeya$
- $\div f_a \text{ is a homomorphism}$

Hence  $f_{\mathfrak{a}}$  is an Automorphism.

**Inner Automorphism :-** Let G be a group and 'a' be a fixed element in G. Then the mapping  $f_a:G \rightarrow G$  is defined by

 $f_a(x)=a^{-1}xa$  for  $x\in G$  is known as Inner Automorphism.

**Outer Automorphism :-** An Automorphism which is not inner is called outer Automorphism.

**NOTE** :- The Set of all Automorphism of a group G is denoted by A(G) and is defined as A(G)= $\{f/f:G \rightarrow G \text{ is an Automorphism}\}$ .

Theorem:- The set of all Automorphism of a group G form a group with respect to composition of mappings.

Proof :- Let G be a group

Define  $A(G) = \{f/f: G \rightarrow G \text{ is an Automorphism}\}$ 

To prove that (A(G),o) is a group.

#### **Binary operation :-**

Let  $f,g \in A(G)$ 

Clearly fog is bijective (one-one,onto)

Now (fog)(ab) = f(g(ab))

 $= f(g(a) \cdot g(b))$ 

 $= f(g(a)) \cdot (g(b))$ 

 $= fog(a) \cdot fog(b)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  fog is a homomorphism

 $\Rightarrow fog \in A(G)$ ∴ f,g ∈ A(G)  $\Rightarrow fog \in A(G)$   $\Rightarrow$  'o' is a binary operation on A(G).

Associative :-

Let f,g,h ∈A(G),x∈G

Now 
$$((fog)oh)(x) = (fog)(h(x))$$

$$= f(g(h(x)))$$

= f((goh)(x))

= (fo(goh))(x)

 $\therefore$  'o' is associative.

**Existence of Identity:-**

Let  $f \in bA(G)$ .

We know that I:G $\rightarrow$ G is an Automorphism

 $\Rightarrow I \in A(G)$ 

Now (fol)(x) = f(l(x))

 $\Rightarrow$  fol = f

$$(Iof)(x) = I(f(x))$$

 $:: I \in A(G)$  is the identity.

**Existance of Inverse :-**

Let  $f \in A(G)$ ,  $I \in A(G)$ 

Clearly  $f^{-1}: G \rightarrow G$  is bijective

Let a, b \in G Now f[f<sup>-1</sup>(a) · f<sup>-1</sup>(b)] = (fof<sup>-1</sup>)(a) · (fof<sup>-1</sup>)(b) = I(a) · I(b) = ab  $\Rightarrow$  f[f<sup>-1</sup>(a) · f<sup>-1</sup>(b)] = ab  $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup>[f(f<sup>-1</sup>(a) · f<sup>-1</sup>(b)]] = f<sup>-1</sup> (ab)  $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup>(a) · f<sup>-1</sup>(b) = f<sup>-1</sup>(ab)  $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup> is an homomorphism  $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup>  $\in$  A(G)  $\therefore$  (A(G),o) is a group.

# **UNIT – 5**

# **PERMUTATIONS GROUPS**

**DEFINITION:**A Permutation is a one –one mapping of a empty set onto itself. Thus a permutation is a bijective mapping of a non-empty set onto itself.

**Example:** f: R  $\rightarrow$  R defined by f(x) = x+1 is a permutation of R since f is an one-one mapping onto itself.

**Note:** If  $S = \{a_1, a_2, ..., a_n\}$  then a one – one mapping from S onto itself is called a permutation of degree n. The number of elements in S is called the degree of permutation.

**Equal Permutation:** Two permutations f and g defined over a non-empty set S are said to be equal if f(a) = g(a) for all  $a \in S$ 

#### **Permutation multiplication (or) Product of permutations:**

It is the composition of mappings defined over the non – empty set S. If g, f are two permutations (bijective mapping) defined over S, then the product or multiplications of f, g is defined as gof(or) gf where

(gf) (a) = g[f(a)] for all  $a \in S$ . Further gf is also a bijective mapping over S.

Product of Permutations (or) Multiplication of permutations (or) Composition of permutations in  $S_n$ :

Let  $f = a_1 \quad a_2 \quad \dots \quad a_n \quad b_1 \quad b_2 \quad \dots \quad b_n$   $\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \quad b_2 \quad \dots \quad b_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $g = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \quad c_2 \quad \dots \quad c_n \end{pmatrix}$  be two elements (permutations ) of  $S_n$ . Here  $b_1$ ,  $b_2$ ,  $\dots$   $b_n$  (or) $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ ,  $\dots$   $c_n$  are nothing but the elements  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ ,  $\dots$   $a_n$  of  $S_n$  is some order.

Therefore  $gf = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ c_1 & c_2 & \dots & c_n \end{pmatrix}$ 

**Permutation Group:** The set A(S) of all permutations defined over a non-empty set S forms a group under the operation permutation multi[placation. The above group is called group of permutations .

**Identity Permutation:** If f is a permutation of S such that f(a) = a for all

 $a \in S$ , then f is identity of S and we denote f as I.

**Order of permutation:** If  $f \in S_n$  such that  $f^n = I$ , the identity permutation in  $S_n$ , where n is the least positive integer, then the order of the permutation f is  $S_n$  is n.

**Note:** Order of  $S_n$  is nI

If the number of elements in S is 1, then the order of S is 1I = 1

If the number of elements in S is 2, then the order of S is 2I = 2

If the number of elements in S is 3, then the order of S is 3I = 6 and so on

**Problems:** 

1. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , then find AB and BA. Solution: Given that  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  $AB = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = I$  $BA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = I$ Therefore AB = BA = I $gf = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ 3. If  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ Then find (fg)h = f(gh).

Solution: Given that  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $fg = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $(fg)h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ (fg)h =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ Next to find f(gh) gh =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $f(gh) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Therefore f(gh) = (fg)h

Multiplication is Associative.

**Inverse of a permutation:** It is also a permutation (bijection).

If  $f = \begin{array}{ccccc} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \\ (b_1 & b_2 & \dots & b_n \end{array}$ , then its inverse, denoted by f is  $\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & b_n \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $a_n = \begin{array}{ccccc} a_1 & a_2 & \dots & a_n \end{array}$ 

#### **Problems:**

1. Find the inverse of the permutation  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ Solution: Given that  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Then 
$$f^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
=  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Example: Consider S = {1, 2, 3} and a permutation on S is f =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Here f(1) = 2 $f^{2}(1) = f(f(1)) = f(2) = 1$ 

The orbits of 1 under  $f = \{ f(1), f(2) \} = \{ 2, 1 \}$ 

f(2) = 1

$$f^{2}(1) = f(f(2)) = f(1) = 2$$

The orbits of 2 under  $f = \{ f(2), f^2(2) \} = \{ 1, 2 \}$ 

f(3) = 3

The orbits of 3 under  $f = \{ f(3) \} = \{3\}.$ 

Problem : Find the orbits of  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ Solution : Given that  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Now  $\sigma(1) = 2$ 

 $\sigma^2(1) = \sigma(\sigma(1)) = \sigma(2) = 3$ 

$$\sigma^{3}(1) = \sigma(\sigma^{2}(1)) = \sigma(3) = 5$$

 $\sigma^4(1) = \sigma(\sigma^3(1)) = \sigma(5) = 4$ 

 $\sigma^{\mathbf{5}}(1) = \sigma \; (\sigma^{\mathbf{4}}(1)) = \sigma \; (4) = 1$ 

The orbits of 1 under  $\sigma$  is {2,3,5,4,1}.

 $\sigma(2) = 3$ 

$$\sigma^{2} (2) = \sigma (\sigma(2)) = \sigma (3) = 5$$
  

$$\sigma^{3} (2) = \sigma (\sigma^{2}(2)) = \sigma (5) = 4$$
  

$$\sigma^{4} (2) = \sigma (\sigma^{3}(2)) = \sigma (4) = 1$$
  

$$\sigma^{5}(2) = \sigma (\sigma^{4}(2)) = \sigma (1) = 2$$

The orbits of 2 under  $\sigma$  is {3,5,4,1,2}.

$$σ (3) = 5$$

$$σ2 (3) = σ (σ(3)) = σ (5) = 4$$

$$σ3 (3) = σ (σ2(3)) = σ (4) = 1$$

$$σ4 (3) = σ (σ3(3)) = σ (1) = 2$$

$$σ5(3) = σ (σ4(3)) = σ (2) = 3$$

The orbits of 3 under  $\sigma$  is {5,4,1,2,3}.

$$\sigma (4) = 1$$
  

$$\sigma^{2} (4) = \sigma (\sigma(4)) = \sigma (5) = 2$$
  

$$\sigma^{3} (4) = \sigma (\sigma^{2}(4)) = \sigma (4) = 3$$
  

$$\sigma^{4} (4) = \sigma (\sigma^{3}(4)) = \sigma (1) = 5$$
  

$$\sigma^{5}(4) = \sigma (\sigma^{4}(4)) = \sigma (2) = 4$$

The orbits of 4 under  $\sigma$  is {1,2,3,5,4}.

$$\sigma (5) = 4$$
  

$$\sigma^{2} (5) = \sigma (\sigma(5)) = \sigma (5) = 1$$
  

$$\sigma^{3} (5) = \sigma (\sigma^{2}(5)) = \sigma (4) = 2$$
  

$$\sigma^{4} (5) = \sigma (\sigma^{3}(5)) = \sigma (1) = 3$$
  

$$\sigma^{5}(5) = \sigma (\sigma^{4}(5)) = \sigma (2) = 5$$

The orbits of 5 under  $\sigma$  is {4,1,2,3,5}.

$$\sigma(6)=6$$
The orbits of 6 under  $\sigma$  is {6}.

 $\sigma(7) = 8$ 

 $\sigma^{2}\left(7\right) = \sigma\left(\sigma(7)\right) = \sigma\left(8\right) = 7$ 

The orbits of 7 under  $\sigma$  is {8,7}.

 $\sigma\left(8\right)=7$ 

 $\sigma^{2}(8) = \sigma(\sigma(8)) = \sigma(7) = 8$ 

The orbits of 8 under  $\sigma$  is {7,8}.

<b>Problem : Find the order of the permutation</b> $\sigma$ =	= (1	2	3	4	5	6
	<b>`</b> 2	3	5	1	4	6
<b>Solution :</b> Given that $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$						
$\sigma^{2} = \sigma. \ \sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \\ \end{pmatrix}$	5 4	6 6)				
$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \\ \end{array}$	5 4	6 ) 6				
$=(\frac{1}{5},\frac{2}{5},\frac{3}{5},\frac{4}{5},\frac{5}{5},\frac{6}{5})$						
$\sigma^{4} = \sigma^{3}. \ \sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 4 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	5 4	6 6)				
$=\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ $\sigma^{5} = \sigma^{4} \cdot \sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 3 & 6 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	5 4	6 ) 6				
$ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix} $						

The order of the permutation  $\sigma$  is 5.

**Cyclic permutation :**Consider a set S = {  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  } and a permutation  $f = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_1 & \dots & a_n \\ a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_{k+1} & \dots & a_n \end{pmatrix} \text{ on S}$  i.e.,  $f(a_1) = a_2$ ,  $f(a_2) = a_3$ ,  $f(a_3) = a_4 \dots f(a_k) = a_1$ ,  $f(a_{k+1}) = a_{k+1} \dots f(a_n) = a_n$ 

This type of permutation f is called a cyclic permutation of length k and degree n. It is represented by  $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_k)$  (or)  $(a_1, a_2, ..., a_k)$  which is a cycle of length k (or) k-cycle. The number of elements permuted by a cycle is called it's length.

### Example : If S = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6} then a permutation f on S is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

**Solution:** It can be written as (1 3 4 6 2)

f is a cycle of length 5

f can also be written as (3 4 6 2 1 ) (or) (4 6 2 1 3 ) etc

Example: Find the order of the cycle (1457)

#### **Solution :** Let $f = (1 \ 4 \ 5 \ 7)$

$$f^{=} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f^{2} = f \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 & 7 & 1 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f^{3} = f^{2} \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 5 & 2 & 3 & 7 & 1 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f^{4} = f^{3} \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 7 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 7 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $f^4 = I$ 

The order of the cycle is 4.

**Transposition:** A cycle of length 2 is called is called a transposition.

**Example :** If S =  $\{1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5\}$  and a permutation f on S is  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ then f = (2, 3) is a cycle of length 2 and degree 5.

**Disjoint cycle:** Let  $S = \{a_1, a_2, ..., a_n\}$ . If f, g be two cycles on S such that they have no common elements then these are called disjoint cycles.

**Example:** Let  $S = \{1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7\}$ 

- > If f = (1 3 7) and g = (2 4 5) then f, g are disjoint cycles.
- > If  $f = (1 \ 3 \ 7)$  and  $g = (2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5)$  then f, g are not disjoint cycles.

**Inverse of a cyclic permutation:** 

Example : If  $f = (2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 1)$  of degree 5 then find f'

**Solution :** Given that  $f = (2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 1)$ 

$$f^{-'} = (1 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2)$$
  
Since  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 \\ f^{-'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Problem : If  $f = \{1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 8 \ 7 \ 6\}$ ,  $g = \{4 \ 1 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7 \ 3 \ 2 \ 8\}$  are cyclic permutations then show that (fg) '' = g '' f ''.

**Solution :** Given that  $f = \{1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5 \ 8 \ 7 \ 6\}$ 

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 8 & 1 & 6 & 7 \\ f^{-'} & = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 7 & 8 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 8 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$g^{-'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 8 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$g^{-'} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 & 7 & 8 & 1 & 5 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$fg = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 8 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 5 & 8 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 7 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 7 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(fg)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 7 & 8 & 6 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g^{-1} f^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 & 7 & 8 & 1 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 & 7 & 8 & 1 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 7 & 8 & 6 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore  $(fg)^{-} = g^{-} f^{-}$ .

#### Order of a cyclic permutation:

Example : If  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is a permutation group  $f_3$ .

Solution : The cyclic permutation of f is (1 2 3)

$$f^{2} = f \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$f^{3} = f^{2} \cdot f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$f^{3} = I$$

Therefore f is a cyclic permutation of length 3 and degree 3. Also the order of f is 3.

#### Problem: write down the following products are disjoint cycles.

i. (1 3 2)(5 6 7 )(2 6 1)(4 5)
ii. (1 3 6 )(1 3 5 7 )(6 7)(1 2 3 4)

**Solution :** (i) (1 3 2)(5 6 7 )

 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 6 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ 

 $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 6 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (261)(45) $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$  $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Now  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 6 & 7 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = (2 \ 7 \ 5 \ 4 \ 6 \ 3) \ (1)$ (ii) (136)(1357)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & & 7 \\ & 3 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 7 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ & 3 & 2 & 6 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 7 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 7 & 6 & 1 & 1 \\ \end{array}$   $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ & 6 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ (67)(1234) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ Now  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 & 6 & 7 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  =  $(1 \ 2 \ 5 \ 7)(3 \ 4 \ 6)$ 

**Problem:** Express the product (2 5 4)(1 4 3)(2 1) are the product of disjointcycles and find its inverse.

Solution: Given that 
$$(2\ 5\ 4)(1\ 4\ 3)(2\ 1)$$
  
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ 

#### Note :

- The multiplication of disjoint cycles is commutative.
- Every permutation can be expressed as a product of disjoint cycles which is unique(a part from the order of the factors).
- Every cycle can be expressed as a product of transpositions.
- Every permutation can be expressed as a product of transpositions in many ways.

**Even and Odd Permutations:** A permutation is said to be an even (odd) permutation if it can be expressed as a product of even (odd) number of transpositions .

#### Note :

- Identity Permutation I is always an even permutation.
- A cycle of length n can be expressed as a product of n-1 transposition. If n is odd then the cycle can expressed as the product of odd number of transposition .If n is even then the cycle can expressed as the product of odd number of transposition.
- The product of two odd permutations is an even permutation.
- The product of two even permutations is an even permutation.
- The product of an odd permutations and an even permutation is an odd permutation.

- The inverse of an odd permutation is an odd permutation.
- The inverse of an even permutation is an even permutation.

#### **Problem:**

Examine whether the following permutations are even (or) odd. (<sup>1</sup> 7 2 3 4 5 6 (i) (ii) 2 3 5 1 6 7 **8** 3 2 1 3 2 5 6 7 1 856 4 4 (iii) (1 2 3 4 5) (1 2 3) (4 5) (iv)( 8 9)  $\square$  $\square$ 8  $\square$ Solution: (i) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 2 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ = (134567)(2)

= (1 3) (1 4) (1 5) (1 6) (1 7) (2)

Therefore the number of transpositions are odd

Given Permutation is odd.

(ii)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 7 & 3 & 1 & 8 & 5 & 6 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ = (1 7 2 3) (4 8) (5) (6) = (1 7) (1 2) (1 3) (4 8) (5) (6)

Therefore the number of transpositions are even.

Given Permutation is even.

(iii) (1 2 3 4 5) (1 2 3) (4 5)

(1 2 ) (1 3) (1 4) (1 5) (2 3) (4 5)

Therefore the number of transpositions are even.

Given Permutation is even.

(iv)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 6 & 1 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 5 & 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ = (1 6 5 2) (3 4) (7) (8) (9) = (1 6) (1 5) (1 2) (3 4)

Therefore the number of transpositions are even.

Given Permutation is even.

Theorem: Let  $S_n$  be the permutation group on n symbols. Then of the n! Permutations (elements) in  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! are even permutations and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! are odd permutations.

**Solution :** Let  $S_n = \{e_1, e_2, ..., e_p, o_1, o_2, ..., o_q\}$  be the permutation group on n symbols where  $e_1, e_2, ..., e_p$  are even permutations and

 $o_1$ ,  $o_2$ ,.... $o_q$  are odd permutations ("any permutation can be either even (or) odd but not both).

 $\therefore$  p+q = n!

Let  $t \in S_n$  and t be a transposition.

Then  $te_1$ ,  $te_2$ , ...,  $te_p$ ,  $to_1$ ,  $to_2$ ,...,  $to_q$  are elements of  $S_n$  as permutation multiplication is a binary operation in  $S_n$ 

Since t is an odd permutation  $te_1$ ,  $te_2$ , ...,  $te_p$  are all odd and to ,

 $tO_1$ ,  $tO_2$ ,..., $tO_q$  are all even permutations.

Let  $te_i = te_j \ \text{ for } i \leq p$  ,  $j \leq p$ 

 $\implies$   $e_i = e_j$ 

which is absurd.

Therefore  $te_i \neq te_j$  and hence the p permutations are all distinct in  $S_n$ .

But  $S_n$  contains exactly q odd permutations  $p \le q$ .

Similarly we can show that q even permutations

 $tO_1$ ,  $tO_2$ ,.... $tO_q$  are all distinct even permutations in  $S_n$ .

 $q \leq p$ 

 $p = q = \frac{1}{2} n!$ 

So has  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! even permutations and  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! odd permutations.

#### Alternating set of permutations of degree n:

Let  $S_n$  be the permutation group on n symbols. The set of all  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! even permutations of  $S_n$ , denoted by  $A_n$  is called the alternating set of permutations of degree n.

Theorem: The set An of all even permutations of degree n forms a group of order 1/2 n! With respect to permutation multiplication.

Proof: Let set An of all even permutations of degree n

• **Closure :** Let  $f,g \in A_n$ 

i.e., f,g are even permutations on n symbols.

 $\Rightarrow$  fg is also an even permutation on n symbols.

 $\Rightarrow$  fg  $\in$  A<sub>n</sub>

- Associativity: Since a permutation is a bijection, multiplication of permutations (composition of mappings) is associative.
- Existence of identity: Let I be the identity Permutation on n symbols, then  $I \in A_n$ , since I is an even permutation.

Then I is an even permutation

 $\Rightarrow$  I  $\in$  A<sub>n</sub>

Also for any  $f \in A_n$ , fI = If = f

I is an identity element in  $A_n$ .

- **Existence of inverse:** Let  $f \in A_n$
- $\Rightarrow$  f is an even permutation.

 $\Rightarrow$  f<sup>-1</sup> is also an even permutation

 $\Rightarrow f^{-1} \in A_n$ 

Also  $ff^{-1} = f^{-1}f = I$ 

Every element of  $A_n$  is invertible and the inverse of f is f<sup>-1</sup>

 $A_n$  is a group of order  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! since the number of permutation on n symbols is  $\frac{1}{2}$  n!

Thus The set An of all even permutations of degree n forms a group of order  $\frac{1}{2}$  n! With respect to permutation multiplication.

### Theorem: The set $A_n$ of all even permutations on n symbols is a normal subgroup of the permutation group $S_n$ on the n symbols.

**Proof:** Let  $A_n$  be the set of all even permutations on n symbols .

We know that  $S_n$  is a group on n symbols with respect to Permutation multiplication and  $A_n (\subset S_n)$  is the set of even permutations.

Also  $A_n$  is a group with respect to Permutation multiplication.

Let  $f \in S_n$  and  $g \in A_n$ 

g is an even permutation and f is even (or) odd permutation.

If f is an odd permutation then  $f^{-1}$  is also an odd permutation.

Also fg is an odd permutation.

fgf<sup>-1</sup> is an even permutation and hence fgf<sup>-1</sup> $\in$ A<sub>n</sub>

If f is an even permutation then  $f^{-1}$  is also an even permutation.

Also fg is an even permutation.

fgf<sup>-1</sup> is an even permutation and hence fgf<sup>-1</sup> $\in$ A<sub>n</sub>.

Thus  $f \in S_n$  and  $g \in A_n \Longrightarrow fgf^{-1} \in A_n$ .

 $A_n$  is a normal subgroup of  $S_n$ 

i.e., The set  $A_n$  of all even permutations on n symbols is a normal subgroup of the permutation group  $S_n$  on the n symbols.

#### **Cayley's theorem :**

#### Theorem: Every finite group G is isomorphic to a Permutation group.

**Proof:** Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a finite group.

Now consider  $f_a : G \to G$  defined by  $f_a(x) = ax$  for all  $x \in G$ .

Now to prove that  $f_a$  is a Permutation.

#### $f_a$ is well- defined: Let x, y $\in G$ .

Suppose x = y

 $\implies$  ax = ay

 $\implies$   $f_a(x) = f_a(y)$ 

f<sub>a</sub> is well-defined.

 $f_a$  is one- one : Let x, y  $\in G$ .

Suppose  $f_a(x) = f_a(y)$ 

 $\implies$  ax = ay

 $\implies$  x = y

Therefore f<sub>a</sub> is one- one.

 $\mathbf{f}_a$  is onto : Let  $x \in G$ .

Since  $a \in G \implies a^{-1} \in G$ 

 $a^{-1} \in G$ ,  $x \in G \Longrightarrow a^{-1} x \in G$ 

Now  $f_a(a^{-1}x) = a(a^{-1}x) = aa^{-1}(x) = ex = x$ 

For x  $\in$ G there exists  $a^{-1}x \in$ G such that  $f_a(a^{-1}x) = x$ 

Therefore fa is onto .

Therefore fa is a Permutation on G.

Let  $G' = \{ f_a / a \in G \}$  be the set of all permutations on G corresponding to every element of G.

Now to prove that G'is a group with respect to Permutation multiplication.

Since  $e \in G$ ,  $f_e \in G'$ 

 $G' \neq \emptyset$ 

**Closure:** Let  $f_a$ ,  $f_b \in G'$ 

For every  $(f_a f_b)(x) = f_a(f_b(x))$ =  $f_a (bx)$ = a(bx)= abx= $f_{ab}(x)$   $\Rightarrow (f_a f_b)(x) = f_{ab}(x)$  for all  $x \in G$ .  $f_a f_b = f_{ab} \in G'$ Associativity : Let  $f_a, f_b, f_c \in G'$  for  $a, b, c \in G$  $f_a (f_b f_c) = f_a (f_b f_c)$ 

 $= f_{(ab)c}$ 

 $= f_{ab}f_c$ 

 $= (f_a f_b) f_c$ 

 $f_a \, (f_b \, f_c \,) = \, \, (f_a \, f_b \,) f_c$ 

Existence of identity:Let e be the identity in G.

Let  $e \in G$ ,  $f_e \in G'$ 

Let  $f_a \in G'$ 

 $f_a f_e = f_{ae} = f_a \, and \,$ 

 $f_ef_a=f_{ea}\ =f_a$ 

Identity in G exists and it is  $f_e$  .

**Existence of inverse:**Let  $f_a \in G'$ 

Since  $a \in G \Longrightarrow a^{-1} \in G$ 

 $f_a{}^{\text{-1}} {\in} G'$ 

 $f_a f_a^{-1} = f_{aa-1} = f_e$ 

 $f_a^{-1}f_a = f_{a-1a} = f_e$ 

Every element in G' is invertible and  $(f_a)^{-1} = f_{a-1}$ 

Therefore G' is a group.

Consider  $\emptyset : G \to G'$  defined by  $\emptyset(a) = f_a$  for  $a \in G$ 

#### $\emptyset$ is well- defined : Let a,b $\in$ G

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Suppose a = b
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 $\Rightarrow$  ax = bx

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\Longrightarrow f_{a}(x) = f_{b}(x)
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 $\implies$   $f_a = f_b$ 

$$\Rightarrow \emptyset(a) = \emptyset(b)$$

ThereforeØ is well-defined.

 $\emptyset$  is one- one : Let a,b $\in$ G.

- $\emptyset(a) = \emptyset(b)$
- $\implies$   $f_a = f_b$
- $\implies$  f<sub>a</sub> (x) = f<sub>b</sub> (x)
- $\Rightarrow$  ax = bx

$$\Rightarrow$$
 a = b

Therefore Ø is one -one.

Ø is onto :Let  $f_a \in G'$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  a∈G and Ø(a) = f<sub>a</sub>

For each  $f_a \in G'$  there exists  $a \in G$  such that  $\emptyset(a) = f_a$ 

Therefore Ø is onto

#### $\emptyset$ is a Homomorphism : Let a,b $\in$ G

 $= f_a f b$ 

 $= \emptyset(a)\emptyset(b)$ 

Therefore  $\emptyset$  is a Homomorphism.

The finite group G is isomorphic to the permutation group.

Thus the every finite group G is isomorphic to the permutation group.

**Note :** The group G' in the Cayley's Theorem is called a regular permutation group.

### • Problem : Find the regular permutation group isomorphic to the multiplicative group $\{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$

Solution: We use Cayley's Theorem

If G is a group then the regular permutation group isomorphic to the group G is {  $f_a/a\in G$ } where  $f_a: G \to G$  defined by  $f_a(x) = ax$  for all  $x\in G$ .

Let  $G = \{ 1, \omega, \omega^2 \}$  be the multiplicative group then the regular permutation group isomorphic to the multiplicative group G is

 $\{ f_1, f_{\omega} f_{\omega^2} \}$ 

$$f_{\omega} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^{2} \\ 1.1 & 1.\omega & 1.\omega^{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^{2} \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$f \omega = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^{2} \\ \omega & \omega^{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f \omega^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \\ \omega^2 & 1 & \omega \end{pmatrix}$$

### • Problem : Find the regular permutation group isomorphic to the multiplicative group { 1,-1 ,i ,-i}

Solution: We use Cayley's Theorem

If G is a group then the regular permutation group isomorphic to the group G is  $\{f_a/a\in G\}$  where  $f_a: G \to G$  defined by  $f_a(x) = ax$  for all  $x\in G$ .

Let  $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$  be the multiplicative group then the regular permutation group isomorphic to the multiplicative group G is

 $\{ f_1, f_{-1}, f_i, f_{-i} \}$ 

$$f_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & i & -i \\ 1 & -1 & i & -i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & i & -i \\ -1 & 1 & -i & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & i & -i \\ 1 & -i & 1 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f_{-i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & \Box & -\Box \\ -i & -\Box & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# **Cyclic Groups**

**Note :** Let G be a group and 'a' be an element of G. Then  $H = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$  is a subgroup of G. Further H is the smallest subgroup of G Which contained the element 'a'.

**Cyclic subgroup generated by 'a' :** Suppose G is a group and 'a' is an element of G. Then the subgroup  $H = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$  is called a cyclic subgroup generated by 'a'. 'a' is called generator of H. This will be written as  $H = \langle a \rangle$  (or) (a) (or)  $\{a\}$ .

Note : Let G be a cyclic groupgenerated by 'a' if O(a) = n, then an = e and {  $a^1, a^2, ..., a^{n-1}, a^n = e$ } is preciously the set of distinct elements belonging to G, where 'e' is the identity in the group (G,  $\cdot$  ).

**Cyclic subgroup :** Suppose G is a group and there is an element of  $a \in G$  such that  $G = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$  then G is called a cyclic group and 'a' is called generator of G. We denote G by (a) (or) (a) (or) {a}.

#### Theorem: If G is a finite group and $a \in G$ , then O(a)/O(G).

**Proof :** G is a finite group.

Let O(G) = m

Let H be the cyclic subgroup of G generated by'a' O(a) = n

Therefore O(H) = n

But by Lagranges theorem  $O(H)/O(G) \Rightarrow n/m$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  i.e., O(a)/O(G)

**Note :** If G is a finite group of order n and if  $a \in G$ . Then  $a^n = e$ 

(identity in G)

**Problem : Prove that (Z,+) is a cyclic group.** 

**Solution :** Given that (Z,+) is a group and  $1 \in Z$ 

$$1^0 = 0.1 = 0$$

 $1^1 = 1.1 = 1$ ,  $1^2 = 2.1 = 2...$  etc

 $1^{-1} = -1.1 = -1, 1^{-2} = -2.1 = -2...$ etc

1 is generator of the cyclic group (Z,+) i.e.,  $Z = \langle 1 \rangle$ 

Similarly we can prove that  $Z = \langle -1 \rangle$ 

**Problem:** Show that  $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$  the set of all fourth roots of unity is acyclic group with respect to multiplication.

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

Clearly  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group.

$$(i)^1 = i$$
,  $(i)^2 = -1$ ,  $(i)^3 = i^2 \cdot i = -1 \cdot i = -i$ ,

 $(i)^4 = i^2 \cdot i^2 = -1 \cdot -1 \cdot = 1$ 

Thus all the elements of G are the power of  $i \in G$ 

G is a cyclic group generated by i,  $G = \langle i \rangle$ 

Similarly we can have  $G = \langle -i \rangle$ 

### **Problem : Show that the set of all cube roots of unity is a cyclic group with respect to multiplication.**

**Proof :** The set of all cube roots of unity  $G = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$ 

 $(\omega)^1 = \omega$ ,  $(\omega)^2 = \omega^2$ ,  $(\omega)^3 = 1$ 

Then the elements of G are the power of the single element  $\omega \in G$ .

G is a cyclic group generated by ' $\omega$ '. i.e., G =  $\langle \omega \rangle$ 

We can also have  $G = \langle \omega^2 \rangle$ 

## **Problem : Show that the set n<sup>th</sup> roots of unity with respect to multiplicationis a cyclic group.**

**Proof**: We know that  $G = \{\omega^{\circ} = 1, \omega^{\circ}, \omega^{2}, \dots, \omega^{n-1}\}$ 

 $\omega^k = e^{2k\pi/n}$ , k = 0, 1, 2, ... (n-1) is a group under multiplication.

$$(\omega)^{\mathbf{0}} = 1 = \mathbf{e}$$
,  $(\omega)^{1} = \omega$ ,  $(\omega)^{2} = \omega \cdot \omega = \omega^{2}$ ,

 $(\omega)^3 = \omega^2 \cdot \omega = \omega^3 \cdot \ldots \cdot (\omega^{n-1}) = \omega^{n-1}$ 

Thus, every element of G is some power of  $\omega$ .

G is a cyclic group generated by ' $\omega$ '. i.e., G =  $\langle \omega \rangle$ .

Theorem : Every cyclic group is an abelian group.

**Proof**: Let G be a cyclic group generated by'a'then

$$G = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$$

Let  $a^r$ ,  $a^s \in G$ ,  $r, s \in Z$ 

 $a^r \ .a^s = a^{r+s} = a^{s+r} = a^s \ .a^r$ 

Therefore G is abelian.

Theorem : If 'a' is a generator of a cyclic group G then a<sup>-1</sup> is also a generator of G.

#### (**OR**)

If  $G = \langle a \rangle$ , then  $G = \langle a^{-1} \rangle$ 

**Proof:** Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  be a cyclic group.

If  $G = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$ 

Let  $a^{\mathrm{r}}{\in}G$  ,  $r{\in}Z$ 

 $(a^{r}) = (a^{-1})^{-r}$ ,  $-r \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

Thusa<sup>-1</sup> is the generator of G . i.e.,  $G = \langle a^{-1} \rangle$ .

#### Theorem : Every subgroup of cyclic group is cyclic.

**Proof :** Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  is a cyclic group then  $G = \{a^n/n \in Z\}$ .

Let H be a subgroup of G.

Then every element of H is an element of G.

Thus every element of H is of the form  $a^n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ 

Let 'd' be the smallest positive integer such that  $a^n \in H$ .

To prove that  $H = \langle a^d \rangle$ .

Let  $a^m \in H$ , where  $m \in Z$ .

By division algorithm,  $\exists q, r \in Z \ni m = dq+r$  where r = 0 (or) 0 < r < d.

Therefore  $a^m = a^{dq+r} = a^{dq} \cdot a^r = (a^d)^q \cdot a^r \rightarrow (1)$ 

But  $a^d \in H \Longrightarrow (a^d)^q \in H \Longrightarrow a^{dq} \in H \Longrightarrow a^{-dq} \in H$ 

Now  $a^m$ ,  $a^{-dq} \in H \Longrightarrow a^{m-dq} \in H$ 

 $\Rightarrow a^r \in H$ 

But 0 < r < d and  $a^r \in His$  a contradiction to our assumption. From (1), therefore r = 0.

$$a^m = (a^d)^q$$

Therefore H is a cyclic group generated by a<sup>d</sup>.

i.e.,  $H = \langle a^d \rangle$ .

#### Theorem : The quotient of a cyclic group is cyclic.

**Proof :** Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  be a cyclic group with 'a' as generator.

Let N be a subgroup of G.

Since G is abelian.

Therefore N is normal in G.

We know that  $G/N = \{Nx/x \in G\}$ .

Now,  $a \in G$ ,  $Na \in G/N \implies \langle Na \rangle \subseteq G/N \rightarrow (1)$ 

Also,  $Nx \in G \implies x \in G = \langle a \rangle$ 

Therefore  $x = a^n$  for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

 $Nx = Na^n = N$  ( a ,a , ...a(n times))

= (Na)(Na) ....(Na)(n times)

 $= (Na)^n$ 

Therefore  $Nx \in G/N \implies Nx \in \langle Na \rangle$ 

Therefore  $G/N \subseteq \langle Na \rangle \rightarrow (2)$ 

From (1) & (2)  $G/N = \langle Na \rangle$ 

i.e., quotient group of a cyclic group is cyclic.

Theorem : If P is a prime number then every group of order p is cyclicgroup i.e., a group of prime order is cyclic.

**Proof** : Let  $P \ge 2$  be a prime number.

Let G be a group of order p.

Claim : G is a cyclic group.

O(G) = p then there exists at least one element a other than element e in G.

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(a) is cyclic subgroup of G.
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 $a \neq e$  ,  $a \in \langle a \rangle$ 

 $\langle a \rangle \neq \langle e \rangle$ 

 $O(\langle a \rangle) = h$ 

By Lagranges theorem,  $O(\langle a \rangle)/O(G)$  i.e., h/p

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h = 1 (or) h = p
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 $\langle a \rangle \neq \langle e \rangle.$ 

Therefore h = p

$$O(\langle a \rangle) = O(G)$$

 $G = \langle a \rangle$ 

G is a cyclic group.

#### Theorem : The order of a cyclic group is equal to the order of its generator.

**Proof** : Let G be a cyclic group generated by 'a'. i.e.,  $G = \langle a \rangle$ 

(i) Let O(a) = n, n is finite number then  $e = a^{\circ}$ ,  $a^{1}$ ,  $a^{2}$ ,... $a^{n-1} \in G$ 

Now we prove that this elemens are distinct and this are the only elements of G such that O(G) = n.

Let i, j ( $\leq$ (n-1)) be two non-negative integer such that  $a^i = a^j$  for  $i \neq j$ .

Now either i > j (or) i < j

Suppose i > j

Then  $a^i a^{-j} = a^j a^{-j}$ 

 $a^{i\text{-}j} = a^{j\text{-}j}$ 

 $a^{i-j} = a^{o} = e$  and 0 < (i-j) < n

But this contradiction the fact that O(a) = n

Therefore  $a^i \neq a^j$ 

Therefore  $a^0$ ,  $a^1$ ,  $a^2$ , .... are all distinct.

Consider any  $a^p \in G$ , where p is any integer.

By Euclid's algorithm ,  $\exists q, r \in \mathbb{Z} \ni p = nq+r$  where  $0 \le r \le n$ .

Then  $a^p = a^{nq+r} = a^{nq} .a^r = (a^n)^q .a^r = a^q .a^r = e$ .  $a^r = a^r$ 

But  $a^r$  is on of  $a^o$ ,  $a^1$ ,  $a^2$ ,... $a^{n-1}$ 

Hence each  $a^p \in G$  is equal to one of the elements  $a^o$ ,  $a^1$ ,  $a^2$ ,... $a^{n-1}$  i.e., O(G) = n = O(a).

(ii) Let O(a) be infinite.

Let m ,n be two positive integers such that  $a^m = a^n$  for  $m \neq n$ .

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Suppose m > n
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Then a^m a^{-n} = a^n a^{-n}
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a^{m-n} = a^{n-n}
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 $a^{m\text{-}n}=a^{\textbf{o}}=e$ 

=**O**(a) is finite

It is a contradiction to the fact that O(a) is infinite.

Therefore  $a^m \neq a^n$  for  $m \neq n$ .

Hence, G is of infinite order.

Thus from (1) & (2),

The order of a cyclic group is equal to the order of its generator.

**Note :** A cyclic group of order n has Ø(n) generators.

**Problem :** Show that the group  $G = (\{1,2,3,4,5,6\}\times7)$  is cyclic also writedown all its generators.

**Solution :** Clearly O(G) = 6

If there exists an element  $a \in G$  such that O(a) = 6

Then G is cyclic group with generator 'a'

 $3^{1} = 3$ ,  $3^{2} = 3 \times_{7} 3 = 2$ ,  $3^{3} = 3^{2} \times_{7} 3 = 6$ ,  $3^{4} = 3^{3} \times_{7} 3 = 4$ ,

 $3^{5} = 3^{4} \times_{7} 3 = 5$ ,  $3^{6} = 3^{5} \times_{7} 3 = 1$ , the identity element

Therefore G is a cyclic group with generator 3.

Since 5 is relatively prime to 6,  $3^5$  is a generator of G.

i.e., '5' is a generator of G.

Note: If  $n = P_1 \alpha 1$ ,  $P_2 \alpha 2$ ,... $P_k$ .  $\alpha k$  where  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ ,...,  $P_k$  are all prime factors of n then  $\emptyset(n) = n(1 - 1/P_1) (1 - 1/P_2) ... (1 - 1/P_k)$ 

Problem : Find the number of cyclic groups of orders 5, 6, 8, 12, 15, 60.

**Solution :** O(G) = 5 the number of generators of

 $G = \emptyset(5) = 5(1-1/5) = 5(4/5) = 4.$ 

O(G) = 6, the number of generators of

$$G = \emptyset(6) = 6(1 - 1/2) (1 - 1/3) = 6(1/2) (2/3) = 2.$$

O(G) = 8, the number of generators of

 $G = \emptyset(8) = 8(1 - 1/2) = 4$ 

O(G) = 12, the number of generators of

 $G = \emptyset(12) = 12(1-1/2)(1-1/3) = 12(1/2)(2/3) = 12(1/6) = 4$ 

O(G) = 15, (3, 5 are the only prime factors of 15)

the number of generators of

 $G = \emptyset(15) = 15(1-1/3) (1-1/5) = 15 (2/3)(4/5) = 8$ 

O(G) = 60, (2, 3, 5 are the only prime factors of 60)

the number of generators of

$$\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{\emptyset}(60)$$

= 60(1-1/2)(1-1/3) (1-1/5)= 60 (1/2) (2/3)(4/5)= 16.