

MAT 1100 Core Algebra. To do. 1. Print "About".  
 DROR BAR-NATAN [website: search] 2. Print NCGE. (two sides)  
 I don't know core algebra! 3. Video tape?  
 on board Goal: Within your lifetime, understand  $G = \langle g_1, \dots, g_m \rangle \subset S_n$ :  
 1.  $|G| = ?$  2.  $\sigma \in G?$  3.  $\sigma = W(g_1, \dots, g_m)$  4. random

Two pre-requisites 1. Groups,  $S_n$ , silly uniquenesses, cancellation,  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$ , subgroups, the subgroup generated by  $\{a\}$ .

2. Row reduction for real.

$F \cdot g = F \circ g$

Algorithm as in handout.

Claim 1 Every  $\sigma_{ij}$  in  $T$  is in  $G$ .

Claim 2 Anything fed to  $T$  is now a monotone product  $\sigma_{1j_1} \sigma_{2j_2} \sigma_{3j_3} \dots$   $j_i \geq i$

Claim 3 If two monotone products are equal,

$$\sigma_{1j_1} \dots \sigma_{nj_n} = \sigma_{1j'_1} \dots \sigma_{nj'_n}$$

then all the indices are equal,  $\forall i \ j_i = j'_i$ .

Claim 4 Let  $M_k = \{ \text{monotone products beginning with } k \} = \{ \sigma_{kj_k} \dots \sigma_{nj'_n} \}$ ,

then for every  $k$ ,  $M_k \cdot M_k \subset M_k$  (and so each

$M_k$  is a subgroup of  $S_n$ .

Proof Clearly  $M_n M_n \subset M_n$ . Now assume that  $M_5 M_5 \subset M_5$  and show that  $M_4 M_4 \subset M_4$ . Start with  $\sigma_{8,j} M_4 \subset M_4$ :

$$\sigma_{8,j} (\sigma_{1j_1} \dots \sigma_{nj_n}) = (\sigma_{1j_1} \dots \sigma_{7j_7}) \sigma_{8j} \sigma_{nj_n} \stackrel{?}{=} (\sigma_{1j_1} \dots \sigma_{nj'_n})$$

and show that  $M_4 M_4 \subset M_4$ . Start with  $\sigma_{8,j} M_4 \subset M_4$ :

$$\sigma_{8,j}(\sigma_{4,j_4} M_5) \stackrel{1}{=} (\sigma_{8,j} \sigma_{4,j_4}) M_5 \stackrel{2}{\subset} M_4 M_5$$

$$\stackrel{3}{=} \sigma_{4,j_4}(M_5 M_5) \stackrel{4}{\subset} \sigma_{4,j_4} M_5 \subset M_4$$

Claim 5  $M_1 = G$  and we have achieved all of our goals [except there is a hidden problem].

→ then do goods 1, 2, 3, 4 and the 0: "in our lifetime?"

Example  $\sigma_1 = (123)$   $\sigma_2 = (12)(34)$ , in  $S_4$

11	I		
12	1	22	I
13	2	23	3
14	5	24	4
		33	I
		34	
		44	I

$\sigma_1 = 2314$        $\sigma_2 = 2143$   
 $\sigma_{12}^2 = 3124$        $\sigma_{12}^{-1} \sigma_2 = 1342$   
 $\sigma_{23} \sigma_{13} = 4132$        $\sigma_{13}^{-1} \sigma_{23} \sigma_{12} = 1423$

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Feed  $\sigma_1 = 2314 \dots$  Feed @  $\sigma_{12}$

Feed  $\sigma_{12}^2 = 3124 \dots$  Feed @  $\sigma_{13}$

Feed  $\sigma_2 = 2143 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{12}^{-1} \sigma_2 = 1342 \dots$  Feed @  $\sigma_{23}$

Feed  $\sigma_{12} \sigma_{23} = 2143 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{12}^{-1} \sigma_{12} \sigma_{23} = \sigma_{23} \dots$

No point feeding  $\sigma_{i,j} \sigma_{k,l}$  if  $i \neq k$ !

Feed  $\sigma_{23} \sigma_{12} = 3412 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{13}^{-1} \sigma_{23} \sigma_{12} = 1423 \dots$  to  $\sigma_{24}$

Feed  $\sigma_{23} \sigma_{13} = 4132 \dots$  to  $\sigma_{14}$

Feed  $\sigma_{24} \sigma_{12} = 4213 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{14}^{-1} \sigma_{24} \sigma_{12} = 1423 \dots$  drop.

$\Rightarrow |G| = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 12$ . Is  $4123 \in G$ ?

Write  $2431$  in terms of  $\sigma_{1,2}$ .

\* Go over the "invariant" handout

\* Go over the "about" handout.

September 15, hour 3: Non Commutative Gaussian Elimination, Homomorphisms, Kernels and Images

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1. Finish tracing the NCGE handout; along do the S<sub>4</sub> example.
2. Go over the "about" handout.
3. Group homomorphisms, the "category" of groups, images and kernels. Example: S<sub>3</sub> is an image of S<sub>4</sub>, but not a kernel.
4. Normal subgroups, kernels are normal.
5. Question: Is there a normal subgroup of S<sub>4</sub> which is isomorphic to S<sub>3</sub>?

Announce Selick!

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				44
				I

on board (mimic fills)

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Feed  $\sigma_{12} \sigma_{23} = 2143 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{12}^{-1} \sigma_{12} \sigma_{23} = \sigma_{23} \dots$

No point feeding  $\sigma_i; \sigma_{kl}$  if  $k < i$

Feed  $\sigma_{23} \sigma_{12} = 3412 \dots$  Feed  $\sigma_{13}^{-1} \sigma_{23} \sigma_{12} = 1423 \dots$  to  $\sigma_{24}$

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$\Rightarrow |G| = 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 12$ . Is  $4123 \in G$ ?

write  $2431$  in terms of  $\sigma_{112}$ .

## September 20 and 22, hours 4-6, Lectures by Selick

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I was in Strasbourg: <http://www.math.toronto.edu/drorbn/Talks/Strasbourg-1109/>

Material covered by Selick: the isomorphism theorems, the symmetric group and the alternating group, to the proof of simplicity but with the end of that proof rushed.

## The Selick Week

### Warnings.

1.  $xg = g^{-1}xg$  so that  $(xg)^h = x(g^h)$
2. If  $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ , then  $\sigma\tau = \sigma \circ \tau$

**Definitions.** Homomorphism, isomorphism, subgroup, cosets, normal subgroup,  $C_G(X)$ ,  $Z(G)$ ,  $N_G(X)$ .

### The 1st Isomorphism Thm.

If  $\phi: G \rightarrow H$  is a morphism, then  $G/\ker \phi \cong \text{im}(\phi)$

### The 3rd Isomorphism Thm.

If  $K, H \triangleleft G$  &  $K < H$ , then

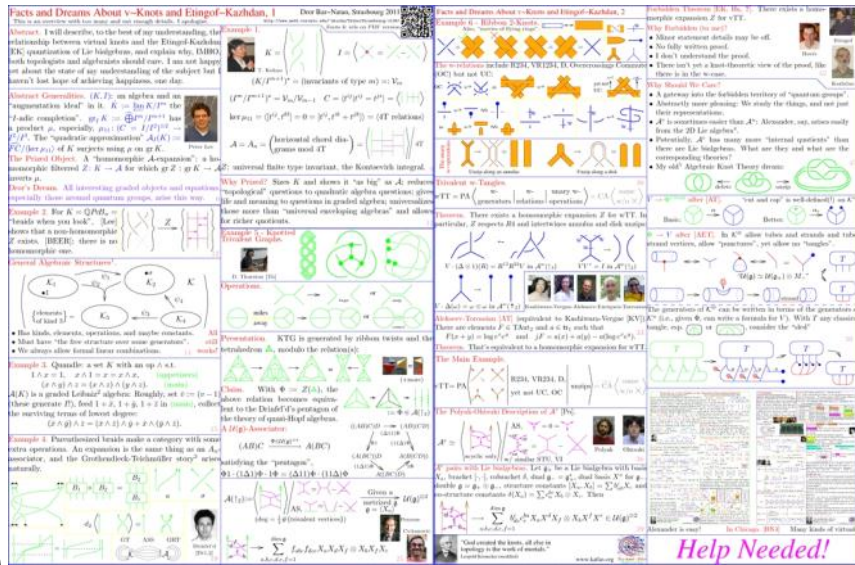
$$\frac{G/K}{H/K} \cong \frac{G/H}{H/K}$$

### The 4th Isomorphism Thm.

If  $N \triangleleft G$  then  $\pi: G \rightarrow G/N$  induces a "faithful" bijection between subgroups of  $G/N$  and  $\{H: N < H < G\}$ :

- \*  $A < B \iff \pi(A) < \pi(B)$   
(& then,  $[\pi(B):\pi(A)] = [\pi(B):\pi(A)]$ )
- \*  $A \triangleleft B \iff \pi(A) \triangleleft \pi(B)$
- \*  $\pi(A \cap B) = \pi(A) \cap \pi(B)$

Thanks, Paul, for teaching for me, and Parker for the detailed notes!



Dror's week: <http://www.math.toronto.edu/~drorbn/Talks/Strasbourg-1109/>

**Proposition.** Every normal subgroup is the kernel of a homomorphism & vice versa. (PF: Define  $G/N$ !)

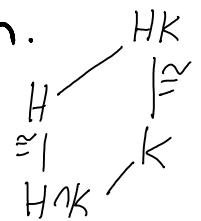
**Claim.** For  $H, K < G$ ,  $HK < G$  iff  $HK = KH$ .

**Claim.** If  $H < N_G(K)$  then  $HK = KH$ ,  $K \triangleleft HK$ , &  $H \cap K \triangleleft H$ .

### The 2nd isomorphism theorem.

If  $H < N_G(K)$ , then

$$HK/K \cong H/H \cap K$$



### Permutation Groups. $S_n, |S_n| = n!$ ,

$\text{sign}: S_n \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$  by

$$\text{sign}(\sigma) = (-1)^\sigma = \prod_{i < j} \text{sign}(j-i)$$

is a homomorphism, so

$$A_n := \ker(\text{sign}) \triangleleft S_n, |A_n| = \frac{n!}{2}$$

**Thm.** For  $n \neq 4$ ,  $A_n$  is "simple" - it has no normal subgroups except the trivial one and itself.

September-25-11  
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- On board.
1. Class photo at 10:55!
  2. HW1 is on web!
  3.  $x^g = g^{-1} x g$  so  $(x^g)^h = x^{gh}$  (For Selick:  $(x^g)^h = x^{hg}$ )
  4. If  $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ , then  $\sigma\tau = \sigma \circ \tau$ !
  5. Today's Agenda: 1. Jordan Hölder.  
2.  $A_n$  is simple.

Go over the "Selick" handout;

Example: 1.  $\phi: S_4 \rightarrow S_3$

2. Is there a normal subgroup of  $S_4$  which is isomorphic to  $S_3$ ?

The Jordan-Hölder Theorem. Let  $G$  be a finite group. Then there exist a sequence

$$G = G_0 \triangleleft G_1 \triangleleft G_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G_n = \{e\} \text{ s.t. } H_i = G_i / G_{i-1}$$

is simple. Furthermore, the sequence  $(H_i)$ , the "composition series" of  $G$ , is unique up to a permutation.

Example  $S_4 \triangleleft A_4 \triangleleft \begin{matrix} (12)(34) \\ (13)(24) \\ (14)(23) \end{matrix} \triangleleft \begin{matrix} (12)(34) \\ \{e\} \end{matrix}$

$4 \rightarrow A_4 \rightarrow A_3$

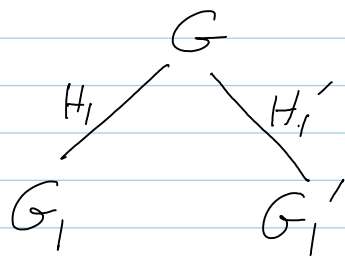
$2 \quad 12 \quad 3$

Proof by induction on  $|G|$ .

Existence: Let  $G_1$  be a maximal normal

Subgroup.

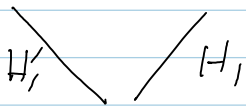
Uniqueness: Use the "Diamond Principle":



$$G \triangleright G_1 \triangleright G_2 \dots$$

$$G \triangleright G_1' \triangleright G_2' \dots$$

claim  $G = G_1, G_1'$



PF  $G_1, G_1'$  is normal in  $G$  yet

bigger than  $G_1, G_1'$ .

Theorem.  $A_n$  is simple for  $n \neq 4$ . [Proof as in Lang's]

Cycle Decomposition.  $(12)(345) = [21453] = 21453$

claim If  $\sigma = (a_1 \dots a_k)$  and  $\tau = [\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_n]$ ,

then

$$\sigma^\tau = \tau^{-1} \sigma \tau = (\tau^{-1} a_1, \tau^{-1} a_2, \dots)$$

Corollary  $\sigma$  is conjugate to  $\sigma'$  iff they have the same cycle lengths

Corollary # (conjugacy classes of  $S_n$ ) =  $P(n)$

Lemma 1. Every element of  $A_n$  is a product of 3-cycles. done line

PF  $(12)(23) = (123), (123)(234) = (12)(34) \dots$

Lemma 2. If  $N \triangleleft A_n$  contains a 3-cycle, then  $N = A_n$

PF WLOG,  $(123) \in N$ . claim For  $\sigma \in S_n$ ,  $(123)^\sigma \in N$  ( $\sigma \in A_n \checkmark$ ,  $\sigma = (12)\sigma \checkmark$ )

so  $N$  contains all 3-cycles...  $\square$

Now take  $N \triangleleft A_n$  w/  $N \neq \{1\}$



Case 1.  $N$  contains an element w/ cycle of length  $\geq 4$

$$\sigma = (123456) \sigma^{-1} \in N \quad \sigma^{-1}(123)\sigma(123)^{-1} = (136)$$

Case 2.  $N$  contains an element  $\sigma = (123)(456) \sigma^{-1}$

$$\text{consider } \sigma^{-1}(124)\sigma(124)^{-1} = (14263)$$

Case 3.  $N$  contains  $\sigma = (123)$  (product of pair)

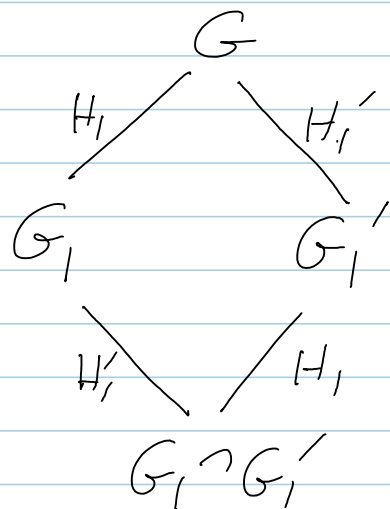
$$\text{Then } \sigma^2 = (132) \dots$$

Case 4. Every element of  $N$  is a product of disjoint 2-cycles.

$$\sigma = (12)(34) \sigma^{-1} \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}(123)\sigma(123)^{-1} = (13)(24) = \tau \in N$$

$$\Rightarrow \tau^{-1}(125)\tau(125)^{-1} = (13452) \in N$$

Jordan-Hölder:



$$G \triangleright G_1 \triangleright G_2 \dots$$

$$G \triangleright G'_1 \triangleright G'_2 \dots$$

Claim  $G = G_1 G'_1$

PF  $G_1 G'_1$  is normal in  $G$  yet bigger than  $G_1, G'_1$ .

\* Agenda: Simplicity of  $A_n$ , group actions.

\* Makeup class: Thursday at 9AM?  
(provincial elections day!)

Read Along?

\* Go over handouts.

Definition A  $G$ -set (left- $G$ -set)  $G \times X \rightarrow X$

s.t.  $(g_1 g_2)x = g_1(g_2 x)$ ,  $e x = x$ . Same as  $\alpha: G \rightarrow S(X)$ .

$G$ -sets are a category!

Examples. 1.  $G$  itself, under conjugation.

2. Subgroups  $(G)$ , under conjugation. } not done.

Examples: 1.  $G/H$  when  $H$  is not-necessarily normal

Sub-example:  $S_n/S_{n-1}$ ,  $\sigma S_{n-1} = \sigma' S_{n-1}$  iff

$\sigma(n) = \sigma'(n)$ . Let  $\tau_i(n) = i$ , then

$\sigma \tau_i S_{n-1} = \tau_{\sigma(i)} S_{n-1}$ . So  $S_n/S_{n-1}$  is  $\{ \dots \}$

2. If  $X_1, X_2$  are  $G$ -sets, then so is  $X_1 \sqcup X_2$ .

3.  $S^2 = SO(3)/SO(2)$

done  
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Theorem. 1. Every  $G$ -set is a disjoint union of "transitive  $G$ -sets"

2. If  $X$  is a transitive  $G$  set and  $x \in X$ , then  $X \cong G/\text{stab}_x(x)$ . (So  $|X| \mid |G|$ )

Theorem. If  $X$  is a  $G$  set and  $x_i$  are representatives of the orbits, then

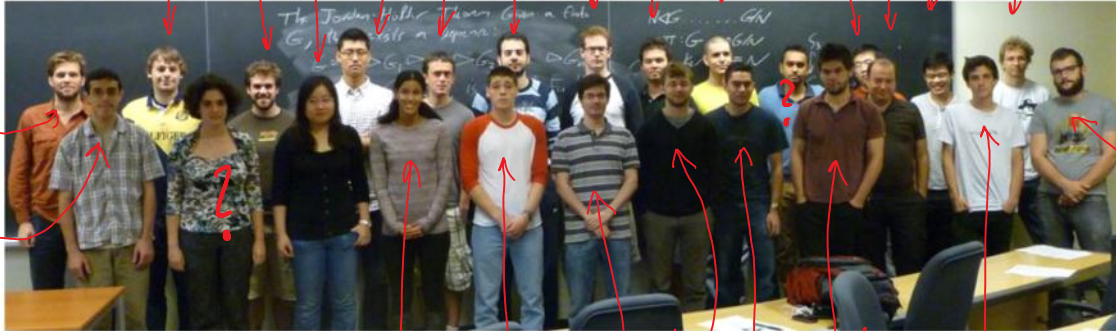
$$|X| = \sum_i \frac{|G|}{|\text{stab}_x(x_i)|}$$

Example. If  $G$  is a  $p$ -group, the Centre of  $G$  is not empty.

# The Class Photo

From Drorbn

Our class on September 27, 2011:



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*a statistical observation: People in the front row are less web-savvy.*

Who We Are...

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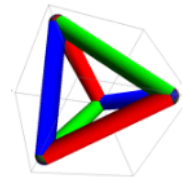
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TeX this up nicely!

## The Simplicity of the Alternating Groups

This handout is to be read twice: first read **red** only, to ascertain that everything in **red** is easy and boring, then read black and **red**, to actually understand the proof.

**Theorem.** The alternating group  $A_n \triangleleft S_n$  is simple for  $n \neq 4$ .

**Remark.** Easy for  $n \leq 3$ , false for  $n=4$  as there is  $\phi: A_4 \rightarrow A_3$ , so assume  $n \geq 5$ .



**Lemma 1.** Every element of  $A_n$  is a product of 3-cycles.  
**PF.** Every  $\sigma \in A_n$  is a product of an even number of 2-cycles, and  $(12)(23) = (123)$  &  $(123)(234) = (12)(34)$ .

**Lemma 2.** If  $N \triangleleft A_n$  contains a 3-cycle, then  $N = A_n$ .  
**PF.** WLOG,  $(123) \in N$ . Then for all  $\sigma \in S_n$ ,  $(123)^\sigma \in N$ : if  $\sigma \in A_n$ , this is clear. otherwise  $\sigma = (12)\sigma'$  w/  $\sigma' \in A_n$ , and then as  $(123)^{(12)} = (123)^2$ ,  $(123)^\sigma = ((123)^2)^{\sigma'} \in N$ . So  $N$  contains all 3-cycles.

**Case 1.**  $N$  contains an element w/ cycle of length  $\geq 4$ .

**Resolution.**  $\sigma = (123456)\sigma' \in N \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}(123)\sigma(123)^{-1} = (136) \in N$ .

**Case 2.**  $N$  contains an element w/ 2 cycles of length 3.

**Res.**  $\sigma = (123)(456)\sigma' \in N \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}(124)\sigma(124)^{-1} = (14263) \in N$ .

**Case 3.**  $N$  contains  $\sigma = (123)$  (a product of disjoint 2-cycles).

**Res.**  $\sigma^2 = (132) \in N$

**Case 4.** Every element of  $N$  is product of disjoint 2-cycles.

**Res.**  $\sigma = (12)(34)\sigma' \Rightarrow \sigma^{-1}(123)\sigma(123)^{-1} = (13)(24) = \tau \in N$   
 $\Rightarrow \tau^{-1}(125)\tau(125)^{-1} = (13452) \in N$  □

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## THE SYLOW THEOREMS.

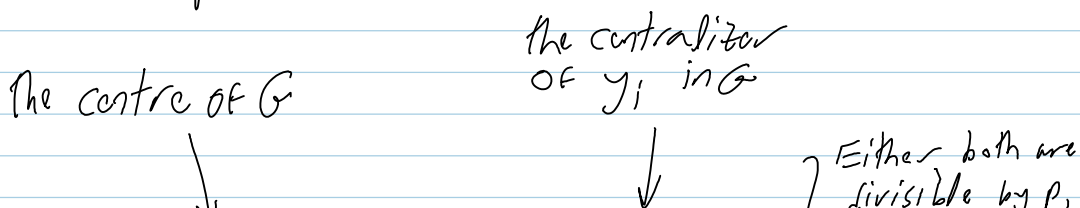
*Lovely notation:  $p^\alpha \parallel |G|$*

$|G| = p^\alpha m$ ,  $p$  prime,  $p \nmid m$ ;  $\text{Syl}_p(G) := \{P \leq G : |P| = p^\alpha\}$  are "Sylow  $p$ -subgroups of  $G$ ". A " $p$ -subgroup" in general, is any subgroup of  $G$  of order a power of  $p$ .

Sylow 1  $\text{Syl}_p(G) \neq \emptyset$ .

*Also see comment at bottom.*

Proof. By induction on  $|G|$ , if  $G$  has a normal subgroup of order  $p$  (or  $p^k$ ) or if  $G$  has a subgroup of order divisible by  $p^\alpha$ , we are done. The existence of one of the said types follows from the class equation:



$$|G| = |Z(G)| + \sum_i (G : C_G(y_i))$$

} Either both are divisible by  $p$ ,  
or neither.  
Do 2<sup>nd</sup> case first.

Where  $\{y_i\}$  are representatives from the non-central conjugacy classes of  $G$ . □

Theorem. If  $G$  is a finite Abelian group of order divisible by a prime  $p$ , then  $G$  contains an element of order  $p$ . "Cauchy's Thm" DLF pp 102

Proof. Enough to find an element of order divisible by  $p$ ; if  $z$  is of order  $p \cdot n$ ,  $z^n$  would be of order  $p$ .

Pick  $x \in G, x \neq 1$ . If  $p \mid |x|$ , we're done. Otherwise  $p \nmid |G/\langle x \rangle|$ , so by induction,  $\exists y \in G$  s.t.

$|y| = p$  in  $G/\langle x \rangle$ . So  $y^p \in \langle x \rangle$ , i.e.,  $y^p = x^\alpha$  for some  $\alpha$ . Write  $|y| = pk + r$  with  $0 < r < p$ , get

$$e = y^{pk+r} = x^{\alpha k} y^r \Rightarrow y^r \in \langle x \rangle \Rightarrow r = 0, \text{ as } |y| = p.$$

So the order of  $y$  is divisible by  $p$ . □

done

(A) would have been better to state and prove:

claim: if  $\phi: G \rightarrow H$  is a morphism &  $y \in G$ ,

$$\text{Then } |\phi(y)| \mid |y|.$$

Proof. If  $|\phi(y)| = n, |y| = m, m = nq + r$ , Then

$$e = \phi(y^m) = \phi(y^{nq}) \phi(y^r) = ((\phi(y))^n)^q \phi(y)^r = \phi(y)^r$$

So  $r = 0$ .

Theorem. 1. Sylow  $p$ -groups always exist;  $\text{Syl}_p(G) \neq \emptyset$ .

2. Every  $p$ -group is contained in a Sylow- $p$  group.



3. All Sylow- $p$  subgroups of  $G$  are conjugate, and

*states*  $n_p(G) := |\text{Syl}_p(G)| \equiv 1 \pmod p \quad \& \quad n_p(G) \mid |G|$

**Groups of order 15.**

$P_5$  is normal in  $G$ ,  $P_3$  is *done*

normal in  $G$ . Any  $y \in P_3$  commutes

with  $P_5$  [otherwise,  $|y| \mid |\text{Aut } P_5| = 4$ ],

(Aside.  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p) = (\mathbb{Z}/p)^*$  so  $|\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p)| = p-1$ )

So  $G = x^i y^j = y^j x^i$  for generators  $x \in P_5, y \in P_3$ .

Aside. If  $G = G_1 \cdot G_2, G_1 \cap G_2 = \langle e \rangle, [G_1, G_2] = \langle e \rangle$ , then

$G = G_1 \times G_2$

So  $G_{15} = \mathbb{Z}/15$ .

Aside.  $\mathbb{Z}/p \times \mathbb{Z}/q = \mathbb{Z}/pq$

This also works for order  $pq, p < q$  primes,  $p \nmid q-1$ .

**Groups of order 21.**  $P_7$  is normal,  $P_3$  might not be

$P_3$  may act on  $P_7$ . If  $P_7 = \langle x \rangle, P_3 = \langle y \rangle$ , we

have  $x^y = x, \text{ or } x^2, \text{ or } x^4$

Aside.  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p)$  is cyclic;

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/7) = \langle x \mapsto x^3 \rangle$   
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Def. What does this mean?

This also works for order  $pq, p < q$  primes,  $p \mid q-1$ .

Also did the "extension lemma":

**Lemma 1.** IF  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G) \& H < N_G(P)$  is a  $p$ -group,

then  $H \subset P$

2. IF  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G), |x| = p^b, x \in N_G(P)$ , then  $x \in P$ .

Reformulation:  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G), |H| = p^b \Rightarrow N_H(P) = H \cap P$

**Stronger Sylow 1.** IF  $p^b \mid |G|$ , then  $G$  has a subgroup of order  $p^b$ .

Proof. Let  $X = \{ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{subset}}}{S} \subseteq G : |S| = p^\beta \}$ , and write

$|G| = p^{\alpha+\beta} m$  w/ maximal  $\alpha$ . By counting & binomial nonsense,  $p^\alpha \mid |X|$  yet  $p^{\alpha+1} \nmid |X|$ .  $G$  acts on  $X$  by translations, so there must be  $S_0 \in X$  s.t.  $p^{\alpha+1} \nmid |G \cdot S_0|$ , hence  $p^\beta \mid |H = \text{stab}_G(S_0)|$ . Yet if  $x \in S_0$  then  $g \mapsto gx$  is an injection  $H \rightarrow S_0$ , so  $|H| \leq |S_0| = p^\beta$ , so  $|H| = p^\beta$ .

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On board. 1. HW1 due, HW2 on web.

**Theorem.** 1. Sylow  $p$ -groups always exist;  $\text{Syl}_p(G) \neq \emptyset$ .  $\checkmark$

2. Every  $p$ -group is contained in a Sylow- $p$  group.

3. All Sylow- $p$  subgroups of  $G$  are conjugate, and

$$n_p(G) := |\text{Syl}_p(G)| \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \quad \& \quad n_p(G) \mid |G|$$

**Lemma.** 1. IF  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$  &  $H < N_G(P)$  is a  $p$ -group,

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**Agenda.** Finish Sylow, do examples, talk about "semi-direct products."

**Claim** IF  $H \triangleleft HK$ ,  $K \triangleleft HK$ ,  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ , then  $HK \cong H \times K$ .

**Proof**  $[h, k] = hkh^{-1}k^{-1} \in H \cap K = \{e\}$  . . . .

**Corollary.** IF  $|G| = 15$ ,  $G = P_3 \times P_5 = \mathbb{Z}/15$ .

**Claim.** IF  $(a, b) = 1$ , then  $\mathbb{Z}/a \times \mathbb{Z}/b \cong \mathbb{Z}/ab$

**Proof.** Find  $s, t$  s.t.  $as + bt = 1$ , and write

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & t & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/a & \xrightarrow{b} & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ \mathbb{Z}/ab & & & & & X & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & s & \rightarrow & \mathbb{Z}/b & \xrightarrow{a} & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & \mathbb{Z}/ab \end{array}$$

**Proposition.** IF  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$ , then  $|\text{conjugates of } P| \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ .

**Proof.**  $P$  acts on the

(and  $n_p \mid |G|$ , of course)

set of its conjugates by conjugation. The orbit

$\{P\}$  is a singleton; by lemma, the sizes of all

other orbits are divisible by  $p$ .

**Proposition.** IF  $H$  is a  $p$ -subgroup &  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$ , then

$H$  is contained in a conjugate of  $P$  (in particular, all)

**Proposition.** If  $H$  is a  $p$ -subgroup &  $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$ , then  $H$  is contained in a conjugate of  $P$ . In particular, all Sylow- $p$  subgroups are conjugates

**Proof.**  $H$  acts on the set of conjugates of  $P$  by conjugation. There must be a singleton orbit - a  $P'$  s.t.  $H < N_G(P')$ .

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**Semi-Direct Products.** If  $N < G, H < G$ , compare  $N \times H$  with  $NH$ .

There's always  $\mu: N \times H \rightarrow NH$  by  $(n, h) \mapsto nh$ .

In general, nothing to say.

If  $N \cap H = \{e\}$ , injective but image might not be a group.

If  $N \cap H = \{e\}$  &  $N \triangleleft G$  &  $H \triangleleft G$ , then  $[N, H] = \{e\}$  &  $NH \cong N \times H$ .

The interesting case is when  $N \cap H = \{e\}$ ,  $N \triangleleft G$ ,  $H$  <sup>may not</sup>.

Get  $H \xrightarrow{\phi} \text{Aut}(N)$  by  $h \mapsto (n \mapsto n^h = h n h^{-1})$

$$\text{or } \phi_h(n) = h n h^{-1}$$

$$n_1 h_1 n_2 h_2 = n_1 h_1 n_2 h_1^{-1} h_1 h_2 = n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2) h_1 h_2$$

**Definition.** Given abstract  $N, H$  &  $\phi: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ ,

the semi-direct product  $N \rtimes H$ .

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**Prop. 1.** In the above case,  $\mu: N \rtimes H \rightarrow NH$  is <sup>done line</sup> an isomorphism.

2.  $N \triangleleft (N \rtimes H)$  and  $N \rtimes H / N \cong H$ .

and  $K \cap H = \{e\}$

Claim. If  $K \triangleleft KH$ ,  $H \triangleleft KH$ , Then  $KH = K \times H$ .

$$K \rightarrow KH \rightarrow KH/H \cong K$$

$$k_1 h_1 = k_2 h_2 \Rightarrow k_2^{-1} k_1 = h_1 h_2^{-1} \Rightarrow k_1 = k_2, h_1 = h_2$$

$$hk = kh^k = k^{h^{-1}} h \Rightarrow h^k = h \Rightarrow [h, k] = e.$$

$$h^k h^{-1} = k^{-1} k^{h^{-1}} \Leftrightarrow k^{-1} h k h^{-1} \in H \cap K = \{e\}$$

Agenda. 1. Semi-direct products & examples. / <sup>web</sup> Comments:

Read Along. Selick 1.8, 1.10.

Riddle Along.

1. Filenames must begin w/ 11-1100
2. what's not linked doesn't exist.

1. Can you find uncountably many nearly-disjoint  $[\forall \alpha, \beta \ A_\alpha \cap A_\beta \text{ is finite}]$  subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ ?

2. Can you find an uncountable chain  $[\forall \alpha, \beta, (A_\alpha \subset A_\beta) \vee (A_\beta \subset A_\alpha)]$  of subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$ ?

Semi-Direct Products. Given  $N, H$  &  $\phi: H \xrightarrow{\text{mor}} \text{Aut}(N)$ ,

$$N \rtimes_\phi H := (N \times H, (n_1, h_1) \cdot (n_2, h_2) = (n_1 \phi_{h_1}(n_2), h_1 h_2))$$

Thm. 1.  $G := N \rtimes_\phi H$  is a group,  $H < G$ ,  $N \trianglelefteq G$

and  $G/N \cong H$ , and  $G = NH$ .

2 IF  $G = NH$ ,  $N \trianglelefteq G$ ,  $H < G$ ,  $H \cap N = \{e\}$  then

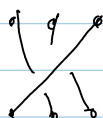
$$G \cong N \rtimes_\phi H.$$

Small Examples. 1.  $D_{2n} = \mathbb{Z}/n \rtimes \{\pm 1\}$

2.  $\{ax+b\} = \mathbb{R}_b^+ \rtimes \mathbb{R}_a^\times$

3.  $\{Ax+b: A \in GL(V), b \in V\} = V_b \rtimes GL(V)_A$

4. "The Poincare Relativity Group"  $= \mathbb{R}^4 \rtimes SO(3,1)$

Big Example.  $B_n = \pi_1((\mathbb{C}^2 - \{\text{orig}\})/S_n) =$  

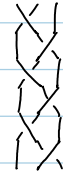
<sup>Janet</sup>  $B_n = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1} : \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \rangle$  } an aside on free groups, generators & relations.

<sup>Qin B</sup>  $\pi: B_n \rightarrow S_n \quad PB_n = \ker \pi$

$PR_n \triangleleft B_n$  yet not  $R - PB_n \times S_n$  } Two reasons why I like this one:

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$PB_n \triangleleft B_n$  yet not  $B_n = PB_n \rtimes S_n$



Two reasons why I like this one:  
1. Knotted \$20's.  
2. Borromean.

$\rho: PB_n \rightarrow PB_{n-1}$   $\ker \rho = F_{n-1}$  and

$$PB_n = F_{n-1} \rtimes PB_{n-1} = F_{n-1} \rtimes (F_{n-2} \rtimes (\dots (F_2 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}) \dots))$$

Groups of order 21.  $\mathbb{Z}/21$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}/7 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3 = \langle x \rangle \rtimes \langle y \rangle$

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/7) = \mathbb{Z}/6 = \langle \phi_3 \rangle$ ;  $\phi_3(x) = x^3$ ;  $x^y = x$  or  $x^2$  or  $x^4$

(iso: if  $x^y = x^2$  &  $y^2 = y^2$  then  $x^{y^2} = x^4$ )

↑ isomorphic ↑

Groups of order 12. If  $|G| = 12$ ,  $P_4 = \mathbb{Z}/4$  or  $(\mathbb{Z}/2)^2$ ,  $P_3 = \mathbb{Z}/3$ ,

and at least one of those is normal, for there's not enough room for 4  $P_3$  & 3  $P_4$ 's. So  $G$  is a semi-direct product:

Product:  $\mathbb{Z}/4 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3$  : must be  $\mathbb{Z}/4 \times \mathbb{Z}/3 = \mathbb{Z}/12$

$(\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3$ : Either direct;  $\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/6$

or the fun action of  $\mathbb{Z}/3$  on  $(\mathbb{Z}/2)^2$ , giving  $A_4$

$\langle (123) \rangle$

$\begin{matrix} e \\ (12)(34) \\ (13)(24) \\ (14)(23) \end{matrix}$

$\mathbb{Z}/3 \rtimes (\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2)$ : Either direct or  $D_6 \times \mathbb{Z}/2 = D_{12}$

$\mathbb{Z}/3 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/4$ : Either direct or  $\mathbb{Z}/3 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/4$

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Read Along. Selick 1.8, 1.10, 1.11, 2.1.

Riddle Along.  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R} \exists a_i \in \mathbb{Q}$  s.t.  $a_i \rightarrow x$   $\mathbb{Q} \cap [0, x]$  what do these solve?

Term Test. material: everything; sample: see 2010.

Agenda. more semi-directs; ting bit on solvable groups; rings.

Semi-Direct Products. Given  $N, H$  &  $\phi: H \xrightarrow{\text{mor}} \text{Aut}(N)$ ,

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Big Example.  $B_n = \pi_1((\mathbb{C}^2 - \{\text{joints}\})/S_n) = \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n \\ \diagdown & & & / \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & 1 \end{matrix}$

$B_n = \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{n-1} : \sigma_i \sigma_j = \sigma_j \sigma_i \text{ } |i-j| > 1, \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i = \sigma_{i+1} \sigma_i \sigma_{i+1} \rangle$   
*new class done line*  $\pi: B_n \rightarrow S_n$   $PB_n = \ker \pi$  } an aside on free groups, generators & relations.

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$$PB_n = F_{n-1} \rtimes PB_{n-1} = F_{n-1} \rtimes (F_{n-2} \rtimes (\dots (F_2 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}) \dots))$$

3 reasons why I like this one:  
 1. knotted paths  
 2. Borromean  
 3. juggling

Groups of order 21.  $\mathbb{Z}/21$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}/7 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3 = \langle x \rangle \rtimes \langle y \rangle$

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$\mathbb{Z}/3 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/4$ : Either direct or  $\mathbb{Z}/3 \times \mathbb{Z}/4$  *done, but  $A_4$  & not...*



$\mathbb{Z}/3 \times \mathbb{Z}/4$ : Either direct or  $\mathbb{Z}/3 \times \mathbb{Z}/4$  done, but  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  done, but  $\mathbb{Z}/4$  done

**Solvable Groups.** Def  $G$  is solvable if all quotients in its Jordan-Hölder series are Abelian. Do not well done

Thm 1. IF  $N \triangleleft G$ ,  $G$  is solvable iff  $N$  &  $G/N$  are.

2. IF  $H \triangleleft G$  and  $G$  is solvable, so is  $H$ .

$A \triangleleft B$   $H \triangleleft A \triangleleft H \cap B$  ?  $\checkmark$   $\frac{H \cap B}{H \cap A} \rightarrow B/A$  by  $[b]_{H \cap A} \rightarrow [b]_A$  is injective.

## Rings.

**Definition 2.1.1.** A ring consists of a set  $R$  together with binary operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  satisfying:

1.  $(R, +)$  forms an abelian group,
2.  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \forall a, b, c \in R$ ,
3.  $\exists 1 \neq 0 \in R$  such that  $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a \forall a \in R$ , and
4.  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  and  $(a + b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c \forall a, b, c \in R$ .

Also define:  
Commutative ring.

**Examples.**  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $R[x]$ ,  $M_{n \times n}(R)$

Morphisms, (Examples: 1.  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n$  2.  $R \rightarrow R[x]$  at deg 0 3.  $R \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(R)$  as diag 4.  $\text{ev}_a: R[x] \rightarrow R$  (if  $R$  is commutative) 5.  $M_{n \times n}(R[x]) \cong M_{n \times n}(R)[x]$ )

Read Along. Selick 1.11, 2.1

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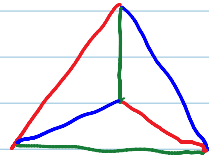
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Riddle Along?

Agenda 12, Solvable, rings.

claim  $(\mathbb{Z}/2 \times \mathbb{Z}/2) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}/3 \cong A_4$



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$A \triangleleft B \quad H \cap A \triangleleft H \cap B \quad ? \quad \checkmark \quad \frac{H \cap B}{H \cap A} \rightarrow \frac{B}{A}$  by  $[b]_{H \cap A} \rightarrow [b]_A$  is injective.

Cor. IF a group contains  $A_n, n \geq 4$ , it is not solvable.

Term test line.

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Also define:  
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Examples.  $\mathbb{Z}, R[x], M_{n \times n}(R)$

Morp isms,  $\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Examples: } 1. \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n \\ 2. R \rightarrow R[x] \text{ at deg } 0 \\ 3. R \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(R) \text{ as diag} \\ 4. \text{ev}_a: R[x] \rightarrow R \\ \text{(if } R \text{ is commutative)} \end{array} \right)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{S. } M_{n \times n}(R[x]) \cong M_{n \times n}(R)[x] \\ \text{(if } R \text{ is commutative)} \end{array} \right\}$$

im, subring, ker, ideal.

Q. Is every ideal a quotient.

Ans. Define  $R/I$ .

Good luck w/ term test!

See [http://katlas.math.toronto.edu/drorbn/index.php?title=11-1100/Term\\_Test](http://katlas.math.toronto.edu/drorbn/index.php?title=11-1100/Term_Test)

- Subjects.
1. The NCGE story.
  2. The isomorphism Theorems.
  3. Jordan Hölder, Solvable groups.
  4. Permutations, simplicity of  $A_n$ . ✓
  5.  $G$ -sets. ✓
  6. The Sylow Theorems, small examples ✓
  7. Semi-direct products, braids. ✓
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$$\begin{aligned}
 (123)(345) &= (12345) & 1. \text{ Let } n \text{ be odd. Prove} \\
 (123)(234) &= (12)(34) & \text{that a subgroup of } S_n \\
 (12)(34)(123) &= (1)(243) & \text{which contains both} \\
 (12)(34)(23)(45) &= (12453) & (123) \text{ \& } (123\dots n) \text{ is} \\
 (123)^{(345)} &\sim (124) & A_n.
 \end{aligned}$$

(Hint: Conjugate your way up,  
do not use NCGE).

2. Prove that the  $G$ -sets  $G/H_1$  &  $G/H_2$  are isomorphic iff  $H_1$  is conjugate to  $H_2$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 H_1 & \xrightarrow{\cong} & gH_2 & & h \in H_1 & \mapsto & hg \in gH_2 \\
 gH_2 & \xrightarrow{\cong} & H_1 & & & & g^{-1}hg \in H_2
 \end{array}$$

$$gH_2 \longmapsto H_1$$

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$$H_2 \longmapsto g^{-1}H_1$$

3. 1. Prove that the semi-direct product of two torsion-free groups is torsion-free.

2. Prove that there is no word  $\beta$  s.t.

$$\beta^n = e.$$

4. Sylow-4. (modeled on last year).

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$$\text{Aside: } S_3 / \langle (12) \rangle = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \{[123], [213]\} \\ \{[132], [312]\} \\ \{[231], [321]\} \end{array} \right\}$$

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Rough Grading Key:

Solve the following 4 problems. Each problem is worth 25 points. You have an hour and fifty minutes. Neatness counts! Language counts!

**Problem 1.** Let  $G$  be a finite group, let  $p$  be a prime number, and let  $\alpha$  be the largest natural number such that  $p^\alpha \mid |G|$ .

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1. Prove that there is a subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  whose order is  $p^\alpha$ . (You are not allowed to use the Sylow theorems, of course).

17 *one case wrong.*

14 (-3)  $|x|=p$

2. Suppose that  $x \in G$  is an element whose order is a power of  $p$ , and suppose that  $x$  normalizes  $P$ . Show that  $x \in P$ .

**Problem 2.** A group  $G$  is said to be "torsion free" if every non-trivial element thereof has infinite order.

15 1. Prove that a semi-direct of two torsion free groups is again torsion free.

*only deduced  $h \neq e_H$  not*

10 2. Let  $\beta$  be a pure braid on  $n$  strands. Prove that if  $\beta^7 = e$  then  $\beta = e$ .

*$g = e_G$ .*

**Problem 3.** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be subgroups of some group  $G$ . Prove that the left  $G$ -sets  $G/H_1$  and  $G/H_2$  are isomorphic (as left  $G$ -sets) iff the subgroups  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are conjugate.

**Problem 4.**

12 1. Let  $G$  be a subgroup of  $S_n$  that contains both the transposition  $(12)$  and the  $n$ -cycle  $(123\dots n)$ . Prove that  $G = S_n$ . (Hint: Conjugate your way up, do not use non commutative Gaussian elimination).

12 2. Let  $n$  be odd and let  $G$  be a subgroup of  $S_n$  that contains both the 3-cycle  $(123)$  and the  $n$ -cycle  $(123\dots n)$ . Prove that  $G = A_n$ . (Hint: For the lower bound, conjugate your way up, do not use non commutative Gaussian elimination).

4 3. In the previous part, what if  $n$  is even?

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Good Luck!

### Problem 3:

⇐: IF  $H_2 = \cancel{g^{-1}H_1g} g^{-1}H_1g$

⑤ define  $\Psi: G/H_1 \rightarrow G/H_2$  by  $\Psi(xH_1) = xgH_2$

② check well-def:  $xh_1H_1 \xrightarrow{\Psi} xh_1gH_2 = xgh_1^gH_2 = xgH_2$

② check ~~bijectivity~~  $G$ -set morphism.

② check injectivity.

② check surjectivity.

⇒: IF  $\phi: G/H_1 \rightarrow G/H_2$  is an isomorphism,

⑤ ~~is~~  $\phi(H_1) = gH_2$  for some  $g$

④  $gH_2 = \phi(h_1H_1) = h_1gH_2 \Rightarrow g^{-1}h_1g \in H_2 \Rightarrow g^{-1}H_1g \subset H_2$

③ but also  $\phi^{-1}(gH_2) = H_1$  so

$$\phi^{-1}(H_2) = g^{-1}H_1$$

so by analogy,  $gH_2g^{-1} \subset H_1$

$$\Rightarrow g^{-1}H_1g = H_2$$

$$gx=y \Rightarrow x=g^{-1}y$$

#### Further Thoughts

Upon further thought and after talking to some students and some email exchanges, I think I made (at least) three mistakes around this term exam:

- It was too long, overall, especially given my insistence that "neatness counts, language counts". Asking just three of the four questions would have been enough.
- Question 3 required too much abstract thought given the time constraints. I should have either given a significant hint or left it out.
- I shouldn't have "rushed to publish" - I should have given myself a little more time to think before returning the exams. Marking up is always possible, but it is better done before the grades are first published, not after.

Anyway, in light of the first point above, I will consider this exam as if the perfect mark in it was 75, effectively multiplying every grade by a factor of 4/3. The few people whose grade now is more than 100 get to keep those extra points, though the maximal possible grade in this class remains an A+.

People who haven't tried don't realize how hard learning may be, forcing you to confront your fears and insecurities (yet it is well worth it!). Try teaching (recommended!) and you'll see it's hard too. After more than 20 years I still make mistakes.

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October 27, hour 21: Rings, ideals, isomorphism theorems, prime and maximal ideals

October-25-11  
11:22 AM

Read Along. Selick 2.1-23

Term test. Discussion at 10:45  
also return HW2.

Goal. 1. Rings, ideals, isomorphisms.

2. Prime & maximal ideals, domains and fields.

Definition 2.1.1. A ring consists of a set  $R$  together with binary operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  satisfying:

1.  $(R, +)$  forms an abelian group,
2.  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c) \forall a, b, c \in R$ ,
3.  $\exists 1 \neq 0 \in R$  such that  $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a \forall a \in R$ , and
4.  $a \cdot (b + c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$  and  $(a + b) \cdot c = a \cdot c + b \cdot c \forall a, b, c \in R$ .

Also define:  
Commutative ring.

Examples.  $\mathbb{Z}, R[x], M_{n \times n}(R)$

Morphisms, (Examples: 1.  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n$   
 2.  $R \rightarrow R[x]$  at  $\deg 0$   
 3.  $R \rightarrow M_{n \times n}(R)$  as diag  
 4.  $\text{ev}_a: R[x] \rightarrow R$   
 (if  $R$  is commutative)  
 5.  $M_{n \times n}(R[x]) \cong M_{n \times n}(R)[x]$ )

im, subring, ker, ideal.

double  
line

Q. Is every ideal a quotient?

Ans. Define  $R/I$ .

The Isomorphism Theorems. 1.  $f: R \rightarrow S \Rightarrow R/\ker(f) = \text{im } f$ .

2.  $\frac{A+I}{I} \cong \frac{A}{A \cap I}$   $A \subset R$  subring,  $I \subset R$  ideal.

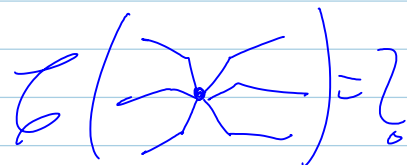
3.  $I \subset J \subset R$  ideals  $\Rightarrow \frac{R/I}{J/I} \cong R/J$

4. Given an ideal  $I$  of  $R$ , there's a bijection between ideals  $I \subset J \subset R$  & ideals of  $R/I$ .

Agenda. Quotients, isomorphism thms, "better rings".

Read Along. Selick 2.1-2.3.

HW3 on web.



Def.  $I \subset R$  is an ideal....

claim. If  $\phi: R \rightarrow S$  is a morphism of rings,  
then  $\ker(\phi)$  is an ideal in  $R$ .

Q. Is every ideal a quotient?

Ans. Define  $R/I$ .

Example.  $\mathbb{R}[x] / \langle x^2 + 1 \rangle = \mathbb{C}$ ,

The Isomorphism Theorems. 1.  $f: R \rightarrow S \Rightarrow R / \ker(f) \cong \text{im } f$ .  
(Example:  $\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}[x] / \langle x^2 + 1 \rangle \Rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cong \mathbb{C}$ )

2.  $\frac{A+I}{I} \cong \frac{A}{A \cap I}$   $A \subset R$  subring,  $I \subset R$  ideal.

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Better Rings. 1. The ultimate:

Field [commutative,  $F$  id of a group]

("division ring", if not commutative

Example:  $\mathbb{H} = \{a+bi+cj+dk\} / \begin{matrix} i^2=j^2=k^2=-1 \\ ij=k \\ \text{useful for 3D rotations, etc.} \end{matrix}$

[almost all of  
high-school &  
freshman algebra  
carries through]

2. (Integral) domains: commutative, has no 0-divisors.  
 How make? For ideals which,  $R/I$  is a field or a domain?  
 ... From now on,  $R$  is commutative.

Maximal Ideals. 1. Definition.

2.  $I \subset R$  is maximal  $\Leftrightarrow R/I$  is a field.

Fishy proof: Use the 4th isomorphism theorem.

Honest proof:  $\Rightarrow$ :  $x \notin I \Rightarrow Rx + I = R \Rightarrow \exists y \in R \ yx + I = 1 + I$

$\Leftarrow$   $J \neq I, x \in J \setminus I \Rightarrow [x]_I \neq 0 \Rightarrow \exists y \ xy - 1 \in I \Rightarrow 1 \in J$

Examples. 1.  $p\mathbb{Z}$  is a maximal ideal in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

2.  $S = \{ \text{bndd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \}$   $A_n = \{ (a_i) : a_n = 0 \}$

<sup>Fishy</sup> Theorem. Every ideal is contained in a maximal ideal. done line

Proof using Zorn's Lemma.

Theorem There exists a function

$\text{Lim} : \{ \text{bndd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

1. If  $(a_n)$  is convergent,  $\lim a_n = \text{Lim } a_n$ .

2.  $\text{Lim}(a_n + b_n) = \text{Lim}(a_n) + \text{Lim}(b_n)$

3.  $\text{Lim}(a_n b_n) = \text{Lim}(a_n) \cdot \text{Lim}(b_n)$  + more....

Proof.  $S = \{ \text{bndd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \}$   $I = \{ (a_n) : \text{finitely many } n \text{'s } a_n \neq 0 \}$

$J$  - a maximal ideal containing  $I$ .

$\text{Lim} : S \rightarrow S/J \cong \mathbb{R}$

Prime Ideals. 1. Definition  $P \subset R$  is prime if  $ab \in P$   
 $\Rightarrow a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ .

2. Theorem.  $R/P$  is a domain iff  $P$  is prime.

Proof.  $\Rightarrow ab \in P \Rightarrow [ab] = 0 \Rightarrow [a][b] = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} [a] = 0 \Rightarrow a \in P \\ [b] = 0 \Rightarrow b \in P. \end{matrix}$

$\Leftarrow [a][b] = 0 \Rightarrow [ab] = 0 \Rightarrow ab \in P \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} a \in P \Rightarrow [a] = 0 \\ b \in P \Rightarrow [b] = 0 \end{matrix}$

Theorem. A maximal ideal is prime.

Appends deadline noon! No class on Tuesday!

Read Along. Section 2.1-2.3

Riddle Along.  $\mathcal{O}(x \rightsquigarrow \circ \rightsquigarrow x) = ?$

Agenda. "better ideals".

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Proof.  $S = \{ \text{bdd seq's in } \mathbb{R} \}$   $I = \{ (a_n) : \begin{matrix} a_n \neq 0 \text{ for} \\ \text{finitely many } n \end{matrix} \}$

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From this point,  $R$  is a Domain <sup>commutative,</sup> (no zero divisors)

Primes. 1.  $a|b$  ( $a|b \wedge b|a \Rightarrow a=ub$ )

2.  $\gcd(a, b) = q$  ;  $\gcd = q$  &  $\gcd = q' \Rightarrow q = uq'$  <sup>done last</sup>

3. Primes:  $p \neq 0$  non-unit  $p|ab \Rightarrow p|a$  or  $p|b$

$p$  is prime iff  $\langle p \rangle$  is prime ideal.

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Claim. prime  $\Rightarrow$  irreducible

$p = ab \Rightarrow p|a \Rightarrow a = pc$

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$S = \{\text{bdd seq's in } \mathbb{R}\}$   $I = \{(a_n) : \text{finitely many } a_n \neq 0 \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

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Thm.  $\text{Lim}: S \rightarrow S/J \cong \mathbb{R}$  extends  $\text{lim}$ .

Definition. Say that  $A \subset \mathbb{N}$  is "essential" if  $1_A \notin J$ .

Claim.  $\{A : A \text{ is essential}\} = \mu$  is a non-principal ultrafilter on  $\mathbb{N}$ .

Proof.  $J$  is prime  $\Rightarrow (A, B \in \mu \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \mu)$

$\mathbb{N} \in \mu$  because  $1_S = 1_{\mathbb{N}}$  is not in  $J$ .

$A \in \mu \Leftrightarrow 1_A \notin J \Leftrightarrow (1_{\mathbb{N}} - 1_A) \in J \Leftrightarrow 1_{A^c} \in J \Leftrightarrow A^c \notin \mu$

Monotonicity because  $J$  is an ideal:  $A \subset B, B \notin \mu \Rightarrow 1_B \in J \Rightarrow 1_A = 1_B \cdot 1_A \in J \Rightarrow A \notin \mu$ .

Principality from the definition of  $I$ .

Definition.  $\hat{J} = \{(a_n) : \forall \epsilon > 0 \{n : |a_n| < \epsilon\} \text{ is essential}\}$

claim.  $J \subset \hat{J}$

Proof. Suppose  $(a_n) \in J$ , and  $\epsilon > 0$  is such

that  $\{n : |a_n| \geq \epsilon\}$  is essential.

Let  $b_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a_n} & |a_n| \geq \epsilon, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Then  $a_n \cdot b_n = 1$  on an essential set,

so  $\overline{a_n b_n} \neq 0$ , so  $\overline{a_n} \neq 0$  so  $a_n \notin J \Rightarrow \in$ .

Now by the maximality of  $J$ ,  $J = \hat{J}$ .

Claim. For every  $(a_n) \in S$  there is some

$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $a_n - \alpha T \in \hat{J}$

(follows from convergence on ultrafilters)

$\Rightarrow \text{Lim}(a_n) = \text{Lim}(\alpha T)$

claim. The map  $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow S/J$  via  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha T$

is injective and surjective.

proof. surjectivity was just shown. Injectivity

is because any morphism of fields is

injective, as fields have no ideals to serve as kernels.

$\Rightarrow$  using  $\alpha \mapsto \alpha T$  to identify  $S/J$  with  $\mathbb{R}$ , the resulting  $\text{Lim}$  has all the required properties.  $\square$



November-04-11  
 9:22 AM

Local goal. Prime ideals & primes

Euclidean  $\Rightarrow$  PID  $\Rightarrow$  UFD

Read Abn. slides 2.2, 2.7, (2.8, 2.9)

Publish link or perish

Global goal "v.s." "f.d." "Z, F[x]"  
 IT2C4W: M f.g. over a PID R  $\Rightarrow$  Uniquely

$$M \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R/(p_i^{s_i}) \quad \begin{matrix} p_i \text{ prime} \\ s_i \geq 1 \end{matrix}$$

Cor 1. A f.g Abelian  $\Rightarrow$

$$A \cong \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus \bigoplus \mathbb{Z}/p_i^{s_i}$$

Cor 2.  $A \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{C})$  has a "Jordan Form"

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Did: Maximal & prime ideals, Fields & domains.

R is a commutative integral domain.  $\leftarrow$  "a, b are associates"

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UFDs. Def. Every non-zero element can be factored into primes.

Thm. Uniqueness up to units & a permutation.

done  
 line.

Thm. In a UFD, prime  $\Leftrightarrow$  irreducible.

PF If an irrad. is decomposed, the decomposition must have length 1.

Thm. UFD  $\Leftrightarrow$  evry  $x \neq 0, y$  has a unique decomposition

into irreducibles.  $\text{PF } \text{irred} \Rightarrow \text{prime}$ . If  $x$  is irred &  $x|ab$ , then  
 $\exists x = \underbrace{a_1 \dots a_n b_1 \dots b_m}_{\text{irreds}} \Rightarrow x \sim a_i \text{ or } x \sim b_j \Rightarrow x|a \text{ or } x|b$ .

Thm. In a UFD gcd's always exist.

HW3 due, HW4 on web soon.

Global goal:  $M$  f.g. module over a PID  $R \Rightarrow$  Uniquely  
 IT2C4W  
 $M \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R/(p_i^{s_i})$   $p_i$  prime  
 $s_i \geq 1$

Cor 1.  $A$  f.g. Abelian  $\Rightarrow A \cong \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus \bigoplus \mathbb{Z}/p_i^{s_i}$

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No Joy Agenda. Euc  $\Rightarrow$  PID  $\Rightarrow$  UFD.

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PF need irred  $\Rightarrow$  prime. If  $x$  is irred &  $x|ab$ , then  
 $ax = a_1 \dots a_n b_1 \dots b_m \Rightarrow x \sim a_i$  or  $x \sim b_j \Rightarrow x|a_i$  or  $x|b_j$ .

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How show UFD? Norm  $\Rightarrow$  "PID"  $\Rightarrow$  UFD.

Def. Euclidean domain: has a "norm"  $e: R - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  s.t.

- $e(ab) \geq e(a)$
- $\forall a, b \exists q, r$  s.t.  $a = qb + r$  &  $r = 0$  or  $e(r) < e(b)$

Example. 1.  $\mathbb{Z}$  Example  $\frac{a = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 12}{b = x^2 + 1}$   
 2.  $F[x]$  ...  $r = -6x + 14$  } why?  
 $a(1) = 14 - 6i$

Theorem. A Euclidean domain is a "PID" (def).  
 (Thm: a PID is a UFD, later)

Proposition. In a PID, every prime ideal is maximal.

PF.  $I = \langle p \rangle$  prime,  $I \subset J = \langle x \rangle \subset R \Rightarrow p = ax \Rightarrow$   
 $(a \in R^* \Rightarrow I = J) \vee (x \in R^* \Rightarrow J = R)$

theorem. PID  $\Rightarrow$  UFD.

what proof. Take  $x = x_1$ , unless  $x_1 \in R^*$ ,  $x_1 \in M_1$ , where  $M_1$  is a maximal ideal containing  $\langle x \rangle$ .  $M_1 = \langle p_1 \rangle$ ,

$p_1$  prime. So  $x_1 = p_1 x_2$ , unless  $x_2 \in R^*$ ,  $x_2 \in \langle x_2 \rangle \subset M_2$  maximal  $M_2 = \langle p_2 \rangle$ ,  $x_2 = p_2 x_3, \dots$  if process was infinite,

$$\langle x_1 \rangle \subsetneq \langle x_2 \rangle \subsetneq \langle x_3 \rangle \subsetneq \dots$$

But a PID is "Noetherian",

so the process must terminate.

$$\text{So } x = x_1 = p_1 x_2 = p_1 p_2 x_3 = \dots = p_1 p_2 \dots p_n u$$

$\langle x_n \rangle \subsetneq \langle x_{n+1} \rangle$  as  $x_n = p_n x_{n+1}$   
if  $x_{n+1} \in \langle x_n \rangle$ ,  $x_{n+1} = a x_n$  so  
 $x_n = p_n a x_n$  &  $p$ 's not prime.

theorem. In a PID  $\langle a, b \rangle = \langle \gcd(a, b) \rangle$ . (so  $\gcd(a, b) = sa + tb$ )

The Euclidean Algorithm. In a Euc. Domain, a practical algorithm for finding  $s(a, b)$  &  $t(a, b)$  as above: WLOG,  $\ell(a) \geq \ell(b)$

If  $\langle a, b \rangle = \langle b \rangle$ , take  $(s, t) = (0, 1)$ . Otherwise

$$a = bq + r, \ell(r) < \ell(b),$$

$\langle a, b \rangle = \langle b, r \rangle$  so if  $g = s'b + t'r$ , then

$$g = s'b + t'(a - bq) = \underbrace{t'}_s a + \underbrace{(s' - t'q)}_t b$$

theorem.  $R$  is a PID iff it has a "Dedekind-Hassé"

norm:  $d: R - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_{>0}$  [or add  $d(0) = 0$ ]

s.t. if  $a, b \neq 0$  either  $a \in \langle b \rangle$  or  $\exists 0 \neq x \in \langle a, b \rangle$

$$\text{w/ } d(x) < d(b).$$

pf.  $\Leftarrow$  as before.  $\Rightarrow$  Replace every prime by 2, get

even a "multiplicative" D-H norm.

If time: Modules,  $\mathbb{Q}$ ,  $V$ ,  $T: V \rightarrow V$ .

done  
line

IT 2C3W:  $[M \text{ f.g. } / R \text{ PID} \Rightarrow M \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R \langle p_i, s_i \rangle]$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Structure of f.g. Abelian groups, J.C.F.

Riddle Along. Allowig AC but not CH, can you find a chain  $(A, B \in \mathcal{S} \Rightarrow (A \subset B) \vee (B \subset A))$  of measure 0 subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  whose union isn't of measure 0?

Today. The "ring" of modules.

Reminder. An  $R$ -module: "A vector space over a ring".

Examples. 1. V.S. over a field.

2. Abelian groups over  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

3. Given  $T: V \rightarrow V$ ,  $V$  over  $F[x]$ .

4. Given ideal  $I \subset R$ ,  $R/I$  over  $R$ .

5. Column vectors  $R^n$  over  $M_{n \times n}$  (Left module  $R$ -mod)  
 row vectors  $(R^n)^T$  over  $M_{n \times n}$  (right module mod- $R$ )

Def/claim.  $R$ -mod & mod- $R$  are categories.

Def/claim. Submodules,  $\ker \phi$ ,  $\text{im } \phi$ ,  $M/N$

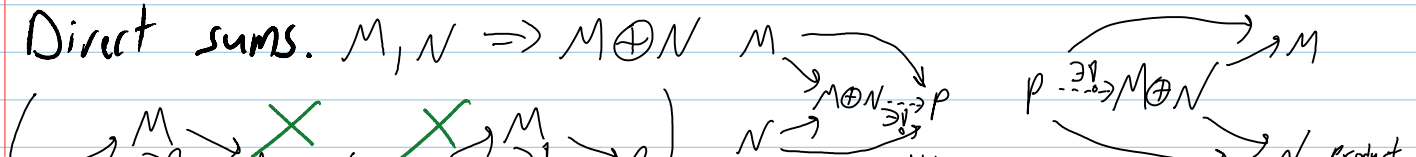
Boring Theorems. 1.  $\phi: M \rightarrow N \Rightarrow M/\ker \phi \cong \text{im } \phi$

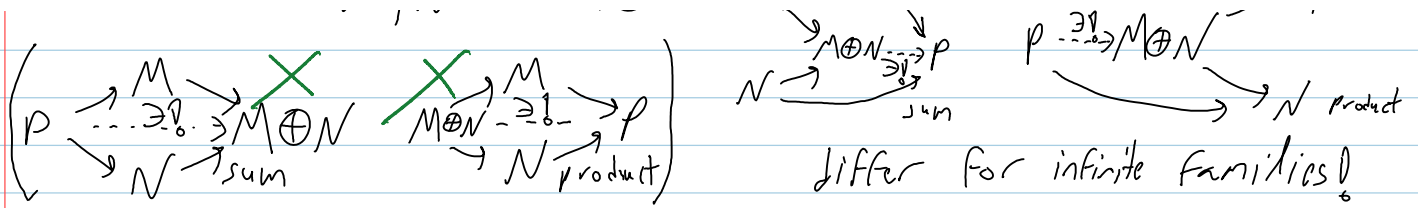
2.  $A, B \subset M \Rightarrow \frac{A+B}{B} \cong \frac{A}{A \cap B}$

3.  $A \subset B \subset M \Rightarrow \frac{M/A}{B/A} \cong M/B$

4. Also dual.

Direct sums.  $M, N \Rightarrow M \oplus N$





$$\text{Hom}\left(\bigoplus_i N_i, \bigoplus_j M_j\right) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} : a_{ij} \in \text{Hom}(M_j, N_i) \right\}$$

done link

Example:  $\dim(V \oplus W) = \dim V + \dim W.$

Example: if  $\gcd(a,b)=1$   $1=sa+tb$  [e.g., if  $R$  is a PID]

$$\frac{R}{\langle a \rangle} \oplus \frac{R}{\langle b \rangle} \cong \frac{R}{\langle ab \rangle} \quad \text{via} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} R/\langle a \rangle & \xrightarrow{t \cdot b} & R/\langle ab \rangle \\ \oplus & & \uparrow \\ R/\langle b \rangle & \xrightarrow{s \cdot a} & R/\langle ab \rangle \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{1} R/\langle a \rangle \\ \oplus \\ \xrightarrow{1} R/\langle b \rangle \end{array}$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/7 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/11 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/13 \cong \mathbb{Z}/77 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/13 \cong \mathbb{Z}/1001 \quad \text{"the chinese remainder theorem"}$$

IT 2C2W:  $[M \text{ f.g.} / R \text{ PID} \Rightarrow M \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R \langle p_i^{s_i} \rangle]$   
 $\Rightarrow$  structure of f.g. Abelian groups, J.C.F.

Goal: The existence part, the "ring" of modules.

Read Along: You tell me!

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Let  $R$  be a PID ...

Sketch  $\{ \text{matrices} \} / \text{row \& col. ops} \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} \{ \text{f.g. modules} \}$   
*finito by infinite, but the infinite is just a nuisance & more*

So we're back to Gaussian elimination!

Def  $M$  is "finitely generated" if  $\exists g_1, \dots, g_n \in M$   
 s.t.  $M = \{ \sum a_i g_i : a_i \in R \}$ .

$$R^X \xrightarrow{A} R^g \xrightarrow{\pi} M \quad \ker \pi = \langle r_x : x \in X \rangle$$

$$A = \left( \underbrace{\quad}_X \right) \} g \quad A \in M_{g \times X}(R)$$

... In general, every  $g \times X$  matrix determines a f.g. module, and every f.g. module arises in this way.

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Exercise. If  $C = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $M_C = M_A \oplus M_B$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} R^X & \xrightarrow{A} & R^g \\ \uparrow Q & \wr & \downarrow P \\ R^X & \xrightarrow{A'} & R^g \end{array}$$

Claim: if  $P, Q$  are invertible on the left, then

$$M = R^g / \text{im } A$$

$$\text{and } M' = R^g / \text{im } A'$$

are isomorphic.

PF  $\Phi: M \rightarrow M'$  by  $[\alpha]_{imA} \rightarrow [P\alpha]_{imA'}$

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$P$  can be interpreted as  $g \times g$  matrix

$Q$  can be interpreted as an  $X \times X$  column-finite matrix;  $A' = PAQ$

... Can do arbitrary, invertible row operations on  $A$ , and arbitrary invertible column ops, provided each column is touched finitely many times.

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Of all the matrices reachable from  $A$ , let  $A'$  be the one having an entry with the smallest D-H norm; wlog, that entry is  $a_{11}$ .

Claim  $a_{11}$  divides all other entries in its row & column.

PF 1 For a Euclidean domain.

PF 2 In a PID, if  $q = \gcd(a, b) = sa + tb$ ,

then

$$(a \ b) \begin{pmatrix} s & -b/q \\ t & a/q \end{pmatrix} = (q \ 0), \text{ while } \begin{pmatrix} s & -b/q \\ t & a/q \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a/q & b/q \\ -t & s \end{pmatrix} \quad \square$$

$\Rightarrow$  w.l.o.g., the row & column of  $a_{11}$  are 0 (except for  $a_{11}$ )

$\Rightarrow$  all entries of  $A$  are divisible by  $a_{11}$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{all entries} \\ \text{divisible} \\ \text{by } a_{11} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix} A_1$$

Continue to get  $A \sim \left( \begin{array}{cc|c} a_{11} & a_{22} & 0 \\ \hline & & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{matrix} \\ \\ \\ \end{matrix} \left( \begin{matrix} \text{w.l.o.g., } A \\ \text{is square} \end{matrix} \right)$



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So  $M \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^g R/\langle a_{ii} \rangle \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R/\langle a_i \rangle$   
 $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$

Claim. If  $\gcd(a,b)=1 \quad 1=sa+tb$  [e.g., if  $R$  is a PID]

Then  $\frac{R}{\langle a \rangle} \oplus \frac{R}{\langle b \rangle} \cong \frac{R}{\langle ab \rangle}$ .    Aside:  $\mathbb{Z}/7 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/11 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/13 \cong \mathbb{Z}/77 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/13 \cong \mathbb{Z}/1001$

Proof 1. as before, use

"the chinese remainder theorem"

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} R/\langle a \rangle & \xrightarrow{t \cdot b} & R/\langle ab \rangle & \xrightarrow{1} & R/\langle a \rangle \\ & & & & \oplus \\ R/\langle b \rangle & \xrightarrow{s \cdot a} & R/\langle ab \rangle & \xrightarrow{1} & R/\langle b \rangle \quad \square \end{array}$$

Proof 2. Using the techniques above,  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{pmatrix}$ . □

done line

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# Nov 22 Preps

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$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} F^{n_1} & \xrightarrow{(\quad)} & F^{m_1} & & & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & \searrow & & & \\ F^{n_2} & \longrightarrow & F^{m_2} & \longrightarrow & M & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

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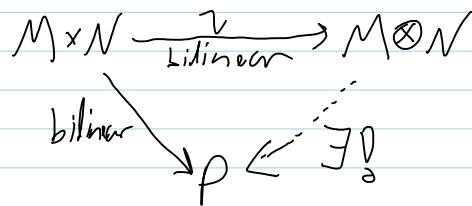
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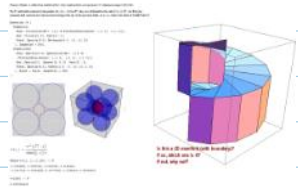
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Goal: Uniqueness.

HW 4 due, HW 5 & next week's schedule on web.

Riddle solutions.  $\infty$ , Möbius.

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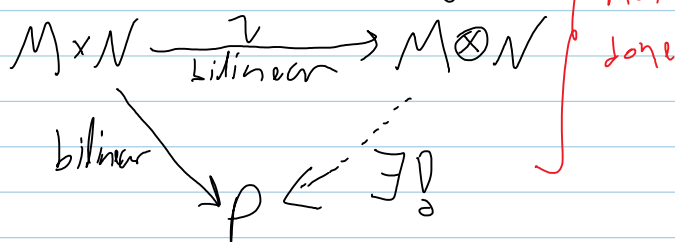
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 $\searrow \downarrow \exists!$   
 $F$

"The Field of Fractions"

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$R \setminus \{0\}$  - "Field of Fractions  $\mathbb{Q}(R)$ "

$R \setminus P$  - "localization at  $P$ "

$R \rightarrow S^{-1}R$   
is injective

$\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{P}$  - "localization at  $\mathbb{1}$ "<sup>~</sup> is injective

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Abelian groups & the mult. groups of finite fields

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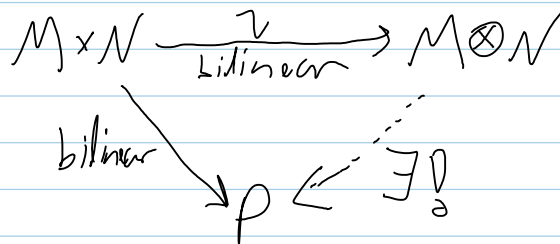
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(Aside:  $\lambda$  is a root of  $f \in F[x] \Leftrightarrow x - \lambda \mid f$ , so  
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 via  $r \mapsto p^s \cdot r$   
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Discuss The Final!

Goal.  $M = R^k \oplus \bigoplus R/\langle p_i, s_i \rangle$ . Uniqueness & corollaries.

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So such a decomposition is unique! [Though <sup>no do</sup> not "canonical"]

$F[x]$  and the J.C.F.  $T: V \rightarrow V$  makes  $V$  an  $F[x]$ -module, so  $V \cong R^k \oplus \bigoplus R/\langle p_i, s_i \rangle$ . As  $F(T) = 0$

for some  $f$ ,  $k=0$ . IF  $F$  is alg. closed,  $p_i = x - \lambda_i$

Q. What does  $F[x]/(x-\lambda)^s$  look like as a vector space?

Basis:  $1, x-\lambda, (x-\lambda)^2, \dots, (x-\lambda)^{s-1}$

$T-\lambda$  acts by "shift to the right"  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & & \\ 1 & 0 & & \\ & 1 & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

So  $T$  acts by  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & & & \\ & \lambda & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \lambda \end{pmatrix}$

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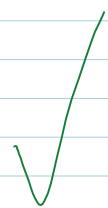
for some  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{F}$  and for some  $s_i \geq 2$ . Furthermore,  $B$  is unique up to a permutation of its blocks  $B_i$ .

(Corollary: good old diagonalization.)

Challenge.

Open all the boxes!

Find an algorithm to find  $B_j$ 's if the same [at least when all  $\lambda_j$ 's are different] as the one you learned in Junior high?



Plan. UFO blunder, JCF abstractly & in practice.

I said "I think in a UFO every prime ideal is maximal"

JCF.  $V$  a f.d.v.s,  $A: V \rightarrow V$  linear, makes  $V$  a module over  $F[x]$  via  $xu = Au$ . Then

$$V \cong \bigoplus F[x]/(x-\lambda_i)^{s_i}. \text{ What's } \frac{F[x]}{(x-\lambda_i)^{s_i}}?$$

UFO Blunder. The above statement is nonsense.

In  $\mathbb{Q}[x,y] = \mathbb{Q}[x][y]$ ,  $\langle x \rangle$  is prime but not maximal.

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Now lets do that in practice....

step 1. Find a presentation matrix for  $V \in R\text{-mod}$ .

w.l.o.g  $V = F^n$  and  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ .

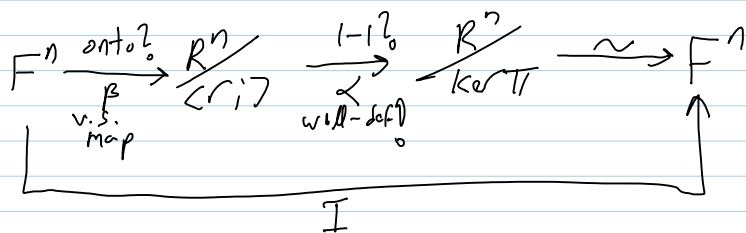
$\ker \pi = \zeta$

$r_i = x e_i - A e_i \in \ker \pi$

claim  $\langle r_i \rangle = \ker \pi$

PF Consider

$$\begin{array}{l} R^n \xrightarrow{xI-A} R^n \xrightarrow{\pi} F^n \\ e_i \longrightarrow e_i \\ x^k e_i \longrightarrow A^k e_i \end{array}$$



We want to know if  $\alpha$  is 1-1; it is enough to show that  $\beta$  is onto; i.e., that any  $x^k e_i$  can be written, modulo  $\langle r_i \rangle$ ,

as a combination of  $e_j$ 's. Indeed,

$$x^k e_j = x^{k-1}(x e_j) = x^{k-1} A e_j = \dots = A^k e_j$$

Go over handout, first in the distinct-eigenval's case:

### Row and Column Operations

Row operations are performed by left-multiplying  $N$  by some properly-positioned  $2 \times 2$  matrix and at the same time left-multiplying the "tracking matrix"  $P$  by the same  $2 \times 2$  matrix. Column operations are similar, with left replaced by right and  $P$  by  $Q$ .

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RowOp[i_, j_, mat_] := Module[{TT = II},
  TT[{{i, j}, {i, j}}] = mat;
  NN = Simplify[TT.NN]; PP = Simplify[TT.PP];
];
ColOp[i_, j_, mat_] := Module[{TT = II},
  TT[{{i, j}, {i, j}}] = mat;
  NN = Simplify[NN.TT]; QQ = Simplify[QQ.TT];
];

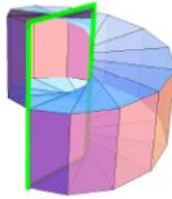
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### Swapping Rows and Columns

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SwapRows[i_, j_] := RowOp[i, j, {{0 1}, {1 0}}];
SwapColumns[i_, j_] := ColOp[i, j, {{0 1}, {1 0}}];
SwapBoth[i_, j_] := {SwapRows[i, j], SwapColumns[i, j]};

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### The "GCD" Trick

If  $q = \gcd(a, b) = sa + tb$ , the equality  $\begin{pmatrix} s & t \\ -b/q & a/q \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  allows us to replace pairs of entries in the same column by their greatest common divisor (and a zero!), using invertible row operations. A similar trick works for rows.

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GCDTrick[i_, j_, k_] := Module[{a, b, q, s, t},
  {q, {s, t}} = PolynomialExtendedGCD[a = NN[[i, k]], b = NN[[j, k]], x];
  RowOp[i, j, {{s, t}, {-b/q, a/q}}];
];
GCDTrick[k_, {i_, j_}] := Module[{a, b, q, s, t},
  {q, {s, t}} = PolynomialExtendedGCD[a = NN[[k, i]], b = NN[[k, j]], x];
  ColOp[i, j, {{s, t}, {-b/q, a/q}}];
];

```

### Factoring Diagonal Entries

If  $1 = \gcd(a, b) = sa + tb$ , the equality  $\begin{pmatrix} sa & 1 \\ -tb & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ t & s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{pmatrix}$  is an invertible row-column-operations proof of the isomorphism  $\frac{R}{(a)} \oplus \frac{R}{(b)} = \frac{R}{(ab)}$ .

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SplitToSum[i_, j_, a_, b_] := Module[{q, s, t, T1, T2},
  {q, {s, t}} = PolynomialExtendedGCD[a, b, x];
  If[q == 1,
    RowOp[i, j, {{sa, 1}, {-tb, 1}}]; ColOp[i, j, {{a, -b}, {t, s}}];
  ];
];

```

Recovering  $C$  from  $P$ ?

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 R^n \xrightarrow[\mathcal{M}]{Ix - A} R^n \xrightarrow{T_A} F^n & & \\
 \uparrow Q & & \downarrow P \\
 R^n \xrightarrow{Ix - B} R^n \xrightarrow{T_B} F^n & & \downarrow C
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C e_i &= T_B(P e_i) \\
 &= T_B(\sum x^k P_k e_i) \\
 &= \sum x^k T_B(P_k e_i) \\
 &= \sum B^k P_k e_i
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \sum B^k P_k \dots \text{complete run 1}$$

### The "Jordan Trick":

Then go through run 2 & run 3

A repeated application of the identity  $\begin{pmatrix} p^{k-1} & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^k \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} p^{-1+k} & 0 \\ 1 & p \end{pmatrix}$  will bring a matrix like

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & p^4 \end{pmatrix}$$

to the "Jordan" form of  $\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & p \end{pmatrix}$ , using invertible row and column operations.

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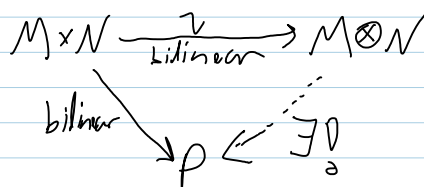
JordanTrick[i_, j_, p_, s_] := {RowOp[i, j, {{p^{s-1}, -1}, {1, 0}}], ColOp[i, j, {{1, p}, {0, 1}}]};

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done line

<sup>(debt)</sup> Theorem. The universal property for tensor products.

1. Holds
2. Determines  $M \otimes N$  up to a unique isomorphism.



Debts.

Polynomials over a UFD make a UFD.

Lang page 190-193 ..... mostly a discussion of contents.

Unboxing.

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1. Fix the UFD blunder
2. Complete the "abstract" JCF story.
3. Do the computational JCF story following the handout.
  - a. The presentation matrix.
  - b. Reductions. } handout really only does this part.
  - c. Reading off the end result.

Abelian groups & The mult. groups of finite fields

$$A \cong \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus \bigoplus \mathbb{Z}/p_i^{s_i} \cong \mathbb{Z}^k \oplus \mathbb{Z}/a_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}/a_2 \oplus \dots$$

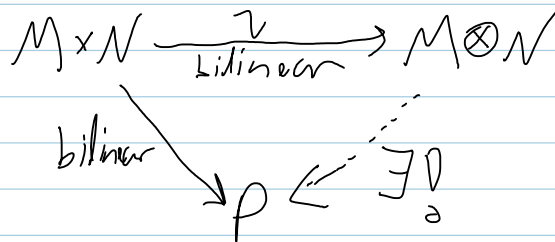
$a_1 | a_2 | a_3 \dots$

Theorem If  $F$  is finite,  $F^*$  is cyclic.

Proof otherwise,  $x^{a_1}-1$  has too many roots.

(Aside:  $\lambda$  is a root of  $f \in F[x] \Leftrightarrow x-\lambda | f$ , so  $f$  may have at most  $\deg(f)$  roots)

Theorem. The universal property for tensor products.



Cayley-Hamilton. Let  $R$  be any commutative ring, let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(R)$ , let  $\chi_A(t) = \det(tI - A) \in R[t]$ . Then  $\chi_A(A) = 0$ .

Proof I. Substitute  $t=A$ , so

$$\chi_A(A) = \det(A \cdot I - A) = \det(0) = 0.$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l}
 \text{tr}(tI - A) = nt - \text{tr} A \\
 \text{so } nA - (\text{tr} A)I = 0 \\
 \text{so all matrices are diagonal } \Downarrow
 \end{array} \right]$$

Proof II. Recall that every matrix  $B$  has an "adjoint"  $B^*$  s.t.  $B^*B = BB^* = \det(B) \cdot I$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 (tI - A)^* (tI - A) &= \chi_A(t) I \\
 \parallel \\
 \sum B_k t^k
 \end{aligned}$$

as elements of  $M_n R[t]$  & even  $C_A[t]$ , where  $C_A = \{B : AB = BA\}$

There is a well-defined  $\chi_A: C_A[t] \rightarrow C_A[t]$ . Applying to both sides, get

$$\left(\sum B_k A^k\right) \cdot (A - A) = \chi_A(A) I \quad \square$$

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# December 6 Scratch

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11:04 AM

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^2 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 1 & p \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 1 & p \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p \\ p & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p \\ 0 & -p^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p & 0 \\ 1 & p^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -p^n \\ 1 & p^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -p^n \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} p^{n-1} & 0 \\ 1 & p \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} p^{n-1} & -p^n \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -p^n \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & +p^n \end{pmatrix}$$

col:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -p \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

row:  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -p^{n-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & +p^{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & p^n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & p^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p^{n-1} & 0 \\ 1 & p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -p \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$