

Lecture 18

(18.0) 3rd Isomorphism Theorem.

Let G be a group, $H \leq G$ a subgroup and $N \trianglelefteq G$ a normal subgroup. Then

$$H / H \cap N \xrightarrow[\text{group iso.}]{\cong} H \cdot N \text{ (or } N \cdot H) / N .$$

Part of the statement of the theorem is :

- $H \cdot N = N \cdot H$ is a subgroup of G (containing N as a normal subgroup).

[Proof. - $n \cdot h = h \cdot \underbrace{h^{-1}(n)h}_N \forall h \in H, n \in N.$ since N is normal.]

- $H \cap N$ is normal in H

[Proof. - Let $h \in H$ and $x \in H \cap N$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} hxh^{-1} &\in H && \text{because } H \text{ is a subgroup.} \\ &\in N && \text{because } N \text{ is a normal subgroup.} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of the theorem. Consider the natural projection

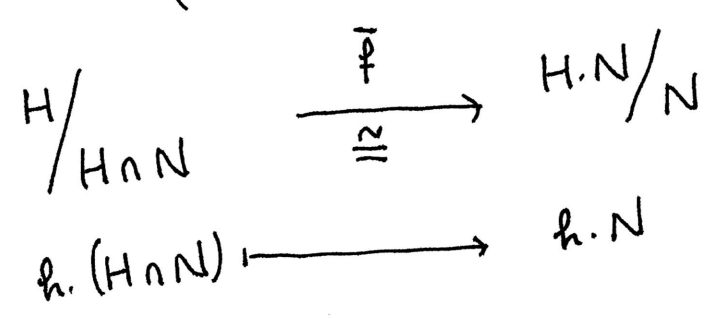
$$\begin{array}{ccc} H & \longrightarrow & H \cdot N / N \\ \psi & & \psi \\ h & \longmapsto & h \cdot N \end{array}$$

$H \xrightarrow{f} H \cdot N / N$ is composed of $H \subset H \cdot N$ (inclusion of a subgroup) and $H \cdot N \longrightarrow H \cdot N / N$ (as $N \subset H \cdot N$ is normal.)

• $\text{Ker}(f) = \{ h \in H \text{ such that } h \cdot N = N \}$
 $= H \cap N.$

• $\text{Im}(f) = H \cdot N / N \longleftarrow$ every element here is of the form $h \cdot N$ for some $h \in H.$

By 1st iso. thm. (Source / Kernel = Image) we get an iso.



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(18.1) Definition. - We say that G is a semi-direct product

of H and N if

(i) $H \leq G$ and $N \trianglelefteq G.$

(ii) $G = H \cdot N = N \cdot H$

(iii) $H \cap N = \{e\}$

Note. - If G is a semi-direct product of H and N , then

by the theorem proved in (18.0) above,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G/N & \xleftarrow{\cong} & H \\ \cup & & \cup \\ h.N & \xleftarrow{\quad} & h \end{array}$$

e.g. $G = D_{2n} \supseteq H = \{e, s\}$ a subgroup $\cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$
 $\trianglelefteq N = \{e, r, r^2, \dots, r^{n-1}\} \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$
 a normal subgroup

$G =$ subgroup of $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$ consisting of upper triangular matrices.

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \begin{array}{l} a, c \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \\ b \in \mathbb{C} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$G \supseteq H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \right\}$$

$$\trianglelefteq N = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } x \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$$

$G = H.N = N.H$ because

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b/a \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & b/c \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

(18.2) Where do semi-direct products come from?

(4)

Let G be a group with $21 = 3 \cdot 7$ elements $\left(\begin{array}{l} p < q \\ q \equiv 1 \pmod{p} \end{array} \right)$

$$n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_3 = 1 \text{ or } 7$$

$$n_3 \mid 7$$

$$n_7 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_7 = 1$$

$$n_7 \mid 3$$

Sylow Thm.
(part 3)

Situation 1 : $n_3 = 1, n_7 = 1 \Rightarrow$ direct product

Meaning, since $\text{Syl}_3(G) = \{P\}$; $\text{Syl}_7(G) = \{Q\}$,
 \uparrow both normal in G as $n_3 = n_7 = 1$.

we get

$$(i) \quad G \supseteq P, Q$$

$$(ii) \quad P \cap Q = \{e\}$$

$$(iii) \quad G = P \cdot Q$$

Put together

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z} \quad (\cong \mathbb{Z}/21\mathbb{Z})$$

Situation 2 : $n_3 = 7$; $n_7 = 1$.

Let $P \in \text{Syl}_3(G)$ and $\{Q\} = \text{Syl}_7(G)$.
 \uparrow still normal.

We still get $P \cap Q = \{e\}$ and $G = P \cdot Q$

but P need not be normal in G . \Rightarrow semidirect product.

Let us write $P = \{1, x, x^2\} \leq G$

$Q = \{1, y, y^2, \dots, y^6\} \trianglelefteq G$

We obtain an isomorphism $Q \xrightarrow{\varphi} Q$
 $\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$
 $q \longmapsto x q x^{-1} = \text{Conj}(x)(q)$

about which we know the following properties :-

(i) $\varphi \circ \varphi \circ \varphi = \text{Identity map } Q \rightarrow Q$
(since $x^3 = e$)

(ii) φ is non-trivial, since $\varphi(y) = y$ means P & Q commute and that is Situation 1 above.

(iii) φ is an iso. of $Q \cong \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\varphi} \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z} \cong Q$

{ Group Iso's $\mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow[\psi]{\cong} \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$ } \leftarrow 6 elements
 $1 \longmapsto t \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

~~11116~~ \Rightarrow To get order 3 (so as (i) is true) we need

$t = \textcircled{1}$ or 2 or 4

not an option, by (ii)

2 possibilities