

**Theorem 4.25: (Fundamental Theorem of Isomorphism) or**

**(First Isomorphism Group Theorem)**

Let  $(G, *)$  and  $(G', \cdot)$  be two groups. Let  $f: (G, *) \rightarrow (G', \cdot)$  be an onto homomorphism, then  $(G / \text{Ker}(f), \otimes) \cong (G', \cdot)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $H = \text{Ker}(f)$ .

Define a mapping  $\varphi: G / H \rightarrow G'$  by

$$\varphi(a^*H) = f(a), \forall a \in G.$$

First we show that  $\varphi$  is well-defined, i.e.,

let  $a^*H, b^*H \in G / H$ .

we show that  $a^*H = b^*H \Rightarrow \varphi(a^*H) = \varphi(b^*H)$ .

Let  $a^*H = b^*H \Rightarrow a^{-1}*b \in H = \text{Ker}(f)$

$\Rightarrow f(a^{-1}*b) = e'$ , where  $e'$  is the identity element of  $G'$ .

$\Rightarrow f(a^{-1}) \cdot f(b) = e'$  (since  $f$  is homomorphism)

Since  $a \in G$ , then  $f(a) \in G'$ . Therefore,  $\exists (f(a))^{-1} \in G'$  such that

$$f(a) \cdot (f(a))^{-1} = e'.$$

Now, we have

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

$\Rightarrow f(a) \cdot (f(a))^{-1} \cdot f(b) = f(a) \cdot e'$  [since  $f(a^{-1}) = (f(a))^{-1}$ , where  $f$  is homomorphism]

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

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

$$\Rightarrow \varphi(b^*H) = \varphi(a^*H)$$

$\therefore \varphi$  is well-defined.

Now, we show that  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.

Let  $a, b \in G$ .

We show that  $\varphi [(a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)] = \varphi(a^*H).\varphi(b^*H), \forall a^*H, b^*H \in G / H$ .

Consider,

$$\varphi [(a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)] = \varphi [(a^*b)^*H] = f(a^*b) = f(a).f(b) \text{ [since } f \text{ is homo.]}$$

$$\varphi [(a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)] = \varphi(a^*H).\varphi(b^*H).$$

$\therefore \varphi$  is homomorphism.

To show that  $\varphi$  is 1-1, i.e.,

we show that  $\forall a^*H, b^*H \in G / H, \varphi(a^*H) = \varphi(b^*H) \Rightarrow a^*H = b^*H$ .

Now,  $\varphi(a^*H) = \varphi(b^*H) \Rightarrow f(a) = f(b)$ .

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

$$\Rightarrow e' = f(a^{-1}).f(b) \text{ [since } f(a^{-1}) = (f(a))^{-1}, \text{ where } f \text{ is homomorphism]}$$

$$\Rightarrow e' = f(a^{-1}.b) \text{ [since } f \text{ is homomorphism]}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1}.b \in H = \text{Ker}(f).$$

$$\Rightarrow a^*H = b^*H \text{ [why ?]}$$

$\therefore \varphi$  is 1-1.

Since  $f$  is onto, then  $\varphi$  is onto (By Corollary 4.23)

$\therefore \varphi$  is isomorphism.

$\therefore G / \text{Ker}(f) \cong G'$ .

**Th. 4.26: (Second Isomorphism Group Theorem)**

Let  $(G, *)$  be a group,  $H \leq G$  and  $K \triangleleft G$ , then

(1)  $H \cap K \triangleleft H$ .

(2)  $H^*K \leq G$ .

(3)  $H / H \cap K \cong H^*K / K$ .

**Proof: (1)** Since  $H \leq G$  and  $K \leq G$ , then  $e \in H$  and  $e \in K \Rightarrow e \in H \cap K \Rightarrow H \cap K \neq \phi$ .

Also, let  $a, b \in H \cap K$ .

Now, we show that  $H \cap K \leq G$ , i.e.,

we show that  $a*b^{-1} \in H \cap K$ .

Since  $a, b \in H \cap K \Rightarrow a, b \in H$  and  $a, b \in K$ .

$\Rightarrow a*b^{-1} \in H$  and  $a*b^{-1} \in K$  (since  $H \leq G$  and  $K \leq G$ )

$\Rightarrow a*b^{-1} \in H \cap K$

$\therefore H \cap K \leq G$ .

Now, we want to show that  $H \cap K \triangleleft H$ .

Let  $x \in H$  and  $h \in H \cap K$ .

We show that  $x*h*x^{-1} \in H \cap K$ , i.e.,

we show that  $x*h*x^{-1} \in H$  and  $x*h*x^{-1} \in K$ .

Since  $x \in H \subseteq G$  and  $h \in H \cap K \Rightarrow h \in H$  and  $h \in K$ .

Then,  $x \in G$ , so  $x*h*x^{-1} \in K$  (since  $K \triangleleft G$ )

Since  $x \in H$  and  $h \in H \Rightarrow x*h \in H$  (since  $H \leq G$ )

Since  $x \in H$ , then  $x^{-1} \in H$  (since  $H \leq G$ )

So,  $x*h*x^{-1} \in H$

$\therefore x*h*x^{-1} \in H \cap K.$

**(2) H.W.**

**(3) H.W.**

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**Q 4.26' (H.W.):** Let  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}_2, +_2)$  be two groups, then show that  $\mathbb{Z} / (2) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2.$

**Q 4.26'' (H.W.):** Let  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$  be two groups, then show that  $\mathbb{Z} / (n) \cong \mathbb{Z}_n.$

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**Th. 4.27: (Third Isomorphism Group Theorem)**

Let  $(G, *)$  be a group,  $H \triangleleft G$ ,  $K \triangleleft G$  and  $H \triangleleft K$ , then

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

**Proof:** Let  $\varphi: G / H \rightarrow G / K$  such that

$$\varphi(a*H) = a*K, \forall a \in G.$$

First we show that  $\varphi$  is well-defined.

Let  $a*H, b*H \in G / H.$

We show that  $a*H = b*H \Rightarrow \varphi(a*H) = \varphi(b*H).$

Since  $a*H = b*H \Rightarrow a^{-1}*b \in H \subseteq K \Rightarrow a^{-1}*b \in K \Rightarrow a*K = b*K$  [why ?]

$$\therefore \varphi(a*H) = \varphi(b*H).$$

So,  $\varphi$  is well-defined.

Now, we show that  $\varphi$  is homomorphism.

Let  $a^*H, b^*H \in G/H$ .

We show that  $\varphi((a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)) = \varphi(a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)$ .

Now,  $\varphi((a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)) = \varphi(a^*b^*H)$  [by Definition of quotient group]  
 $= a^*b^*K = (a^*K) \otimes (b^*K) = \varphi(a^*H) \otimes (b^*H)$ .

So,  $\varphi$  is homomorphism.

Now, we show that  $\varphi$  is onto.

$\forall x \in G/K, \exists a \in G$  such that  $x = a^*K = \varphi(a^*H)$ .

So,  $x = \varphi(a^*H)$ .

$\therefore \varphi$  is onto.

It remains to show that  $\text{Ker}(\varphi) = K/H$  (H.W.).

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### Direct Product For Groups

#### Def. 4.28: (Direct Product For Groups)

Let  $(G, *)$  and  $(H, \circ)$  be two distinct groups, then define a binary operation  $\otimes$  on  $G \times H = \{(g, h): g \in G, h \in H\}$  as follows:

For each  $(g_1, h_1), (g_2, h_2) \in G \times H$ ,

$$(g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 * g_2, h_1 \circ h_2).$$

**Q 4.29:** Show that  $(G \times H, \otimes)$  form a group.

**Solution:** (1) Let  $(g_1, h_1), (g_2, h_2) \in G \times H$ .

We show that  $(g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2) \in G \times H$ .

Now,  $(g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 * g_2, h_1 \circ h_2) \in G \times H$ .

$\therefore G \times H$  is closed under  $\otimes$ .

(2) Let  $(g_1, h_1), (g_2, h_2), (g_3, h_3) \in G \times H$ .

We show that

$$((g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2)) \otimes (g_3, h_3) = (g_1, h_1) \otimes ((g_2, h_2) \otimes (g_3, h_3)) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$\text{L.H.S. of (1)} = ((g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2)) \otimes (g_3, h_3)$$

$$= ((g_1 * g_2), (h_1 \circ h_2)) \otimes (g_3, h_3)$$

$$= ((g_1 * g_2) * g_3, (h_1 \circ h_2) \circ h_3)$$

$$= (g_1 * (g_2 * g_3), h_1 \circ (h_2 \circ h_3)) \quad [\text{why ?}]$$

$$= (g_1, h_1) \otimes ((g_2, h_2) \otimes (g_3, h_3)) \quad [\text{write in detail}]$$

$\therefore \otimes$  is associative.

$$(3) (g_1, h_1) \otimes (e_G, e_H) = (g_1 * e_G, h_1 \circ e_H) = (g_1, h_1).$$

$$\text{Also, } (e_G, e_H) \otimes (g_1, h_1) = (e_G * g_1, e_H \circ h_1) = (g_1, h_1).$$

$\therefore (e_G, e_H)$  is the identity element.

(4) **(H.W.)**

**Q.4.30 (H.W.):** Give an example on Def. 4.28.

**Q.4.31 (H.W.):** State and prove some (three) properties of direct product of two groups.