

5/28/14

Review of 661/662

Today	5/28	}	11-12
Fri	5/30		
Tue	6/3		
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Qualifying Exam Fri 6/6, 11-2pm

MTH 661 Topics:

- Abstract structure of groups
 - Isomorphism Theorems
 - Jordan-Hölder

- Group Actions (G-sets)

- The Class Equation
- Cauchy's Theorem
- Sylow Theory

- Matrix Groups

- Theory of K -modules
(Steinitz Exchange, Rank-Nullity, etc.)

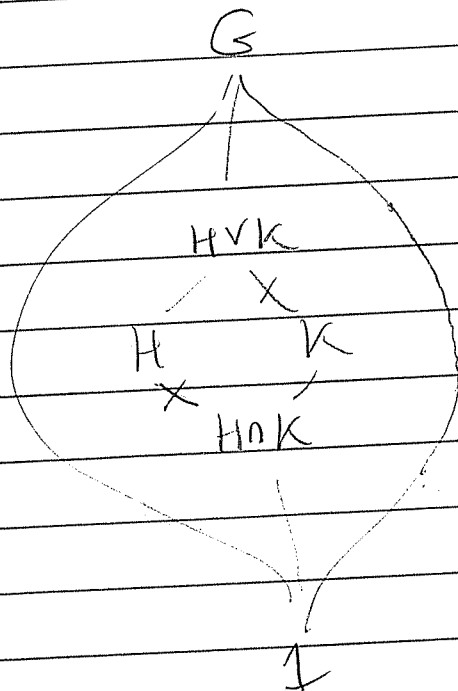
- GL and SL

- elementary matrices, RREF
- parabolic subgroups
- over finite fields $K = \mathbb{F}_q$

- Representations of Groups
 - Definition of KG -modules
 - Properties of unitary matrices $U(n)$
 - Maschke's Theorem
 - indecomposable \Rightarrow irreducible
 - if $|G| < \infty$ then every CG -module is unitary
 - Schur's Lemma
 - Representations of abelian groups.

① Abstract Groups

The lattice of subgroups $\mathcal{L}(G)$.



If $H, K \leq G$ with $K \trianglelefteq G$ then

$$HK = \{hk : h \in H, k \in K\}$$

is a subgroup and $HK = HVK$. Moreover we have $H \trianglelefteq HK$ and $K \trianglelefteq HK$ with

$$\frac{H}{H \cap K} \cong \frac{HK}{K} \quad \text{Diamond Isomorphism}$$

If H, K are finite then Lagrange says

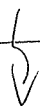
$$|HK| = \frac{|H| \cdot |K|}{|H \cap K|}$$

(Exercise: Prove this still holds when HK is not a group.)

If $G = HK$ and $H \trianglelefteq G$ then we say

$$G = H \rtimes K$$

"semi-direct product"



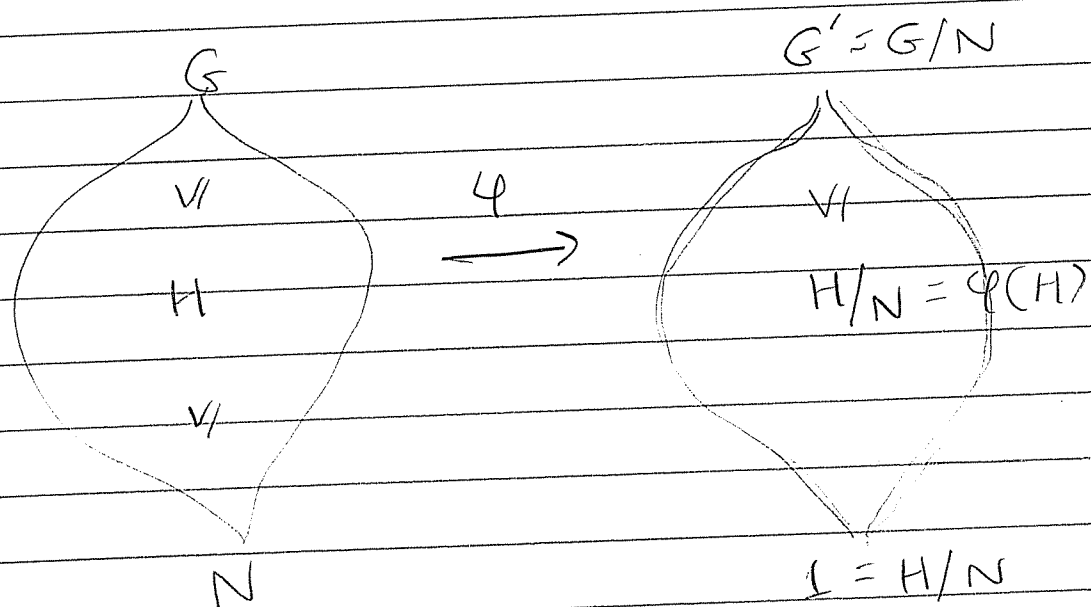
Exercise: The semidirect product is direct $\iff H \trianglelefteq G \iff hk = kh$ for all $h \in H, k \in K$.

Given a surjective group hom $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ with kernel N we have

$$G' \cong G/N$$

and furthermore we have an isomorphism of lattices

$$\mathcal{L}(G, N) \cong \mathcal{L}(G')$$



In addition to lattice structure, normality is also preserved:

$$H \trianglelefteq G \iff H/N \trianglelefteq G/N$$

in which case we also have

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

We say a group is simple if it has no nontrivial normal subgroups.

Consider a chain of normal subgroups

$$G = G_0 \triangleright G_1 \triangleright G_2 \triangleright \dots \triangleright G_r = 1.$$

"a sub-normal series"

Then G_i/G_{i+1} is simple \iff there does not exist $G_i \triangleright N \triangleright G_{i+1}$.

We say the subnormal series is a "composition series" if G_i/G_{i+1} is simple $\forall i$, equivalently if the series is maximal.

Jordan-Hölder: If G has a comp. series then any two comp. series are equivalent in the sense that the set of simple quotients

$$\{ G_i / G_{i+1} \}_i \quad \text{the composition factors of } G$$

is the same.

Special Case of J-H: Unique prime factorization of integers.

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Cyclic groups:

If $G = \langle g \rangle$ we say G is cyclic, in which case we have a surjective group hom

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi: (\mathbb{Z}, +) &\rightarrow G \\ k &\mapsto g^k \end{aligned}$$

Let $n\mathbb{Z}$ be the kernel. Then we have

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$$

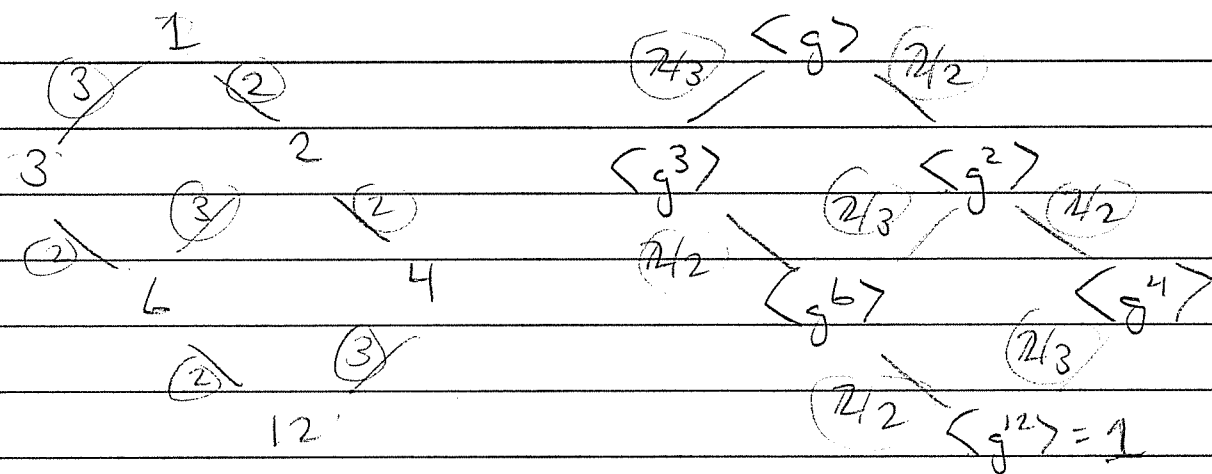
FTCG: We have

$$\mathcal{L}(G) \approx \text{lattice of divisors of } n.$$

Proof: By correspondence we have

$$\mathcal{L}(G) \approx \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{Z}, n\mathbb{Z}).$$

E.g. $|\langle g \rangle| = 12$



There are 3 composition series:

$$3 \cdot 2 \cdot 2$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/3 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/2 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/2$$

$$2 \cdot 3 \cdot 2$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/2 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/3 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/2$$

$$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3$$

$$\mathbb{Z}/2 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/2 \cdot \mathbb{Z}/3$$

Notation: We say G is solvable if its composition factors are abelian (i.e. \mathbb{Z}/p for primes p)

Remark: Abelian groups are solvable.

Exercise: If $|G| = p^k$ with p prime, prove that G is solvable.
(I'll discuss this on Friday.)