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 This is because any permutation in  $S_5$  is either odd or even. If it is even, it is in  $A_5$ . If  $\sigma$  is odd, then  $\sigma \circ (1\ 2) \in A_5$ , say  $\sigma \circ (1\ 2) = \alpha \in A_5$ .  
 Then  $\sigma = \alpha \circ (1\ 2)^{-1} = \alpha \circ (1\ 2) \in A_5 \circ (1\ 2)$ .  
 So,  $S_5 = A_5 \cup A_5 \circ (1\ 2)$ .  
 This partition is not unique, as you can see from the construction. For instance,  $S_5 = A_5 \cup A_5 \circ (3\ 4)$  also. Here, also note that  
 $A_5 \circ (1\ 2) = A_5 \circ (3\ 4)$  since  $(1\ 2)(3\ 4)^{-1} \in A_5$ .
- E18)  $o(x) = o(\langle x \rangle)$ , which divides  $o(G)$  by Lagrange's theorem.  
 $\therefore o(x) \mid o(G)$ .  
 Let  $o(x) = m$ . Since  $m \mid n$ ,  $n = mr$  for some  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  
 Now  $x^m = e \Rightarrow (x^m)^r = x^{mr} = x^n = e$ .
- E19) Since  $o(\mathbb{Z}_{18}) = 18$ ,  $o(\bar{4}) = 1, 2, 3, 6, 9$  or  $18$ .  
 Since  $2 \cdot \bar{4} = \bar{8} \neq \bar{0}$ ,  $o(\bar{4}) \neq 2$ .  
 Similarly, you can check that  $o(\bar{4}) \neq 1, 3$  or  $6$ .  
 Now  $9 \cdot \bar{4} = \bar{36} = \bar{0}$ . Thus,  $9$  is the least natural number such that  $m \cdot \bar{4} = \bar{0}$ . So  $o(\bar{4}) = 9$ .  
 Similarly, check that  $o(\bar{4})$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_5$  is  $5$ .
- E20) Since  $o(x) = n$ ,  $o(x^m)$  must be finite, say  $r$ .  
 Then  $x^{mr} = e \Rightarrow n \mid mr$ .  
 Now let  $(n, m) = d$  and  $m = dm_1$ ,  $n = dn_1$ , where  $(n_1, m_1) = 1$ .  
 Then  $dn_1 \mid dm_1 r$ , that is,  $n_1 \mid m_1 r$ . But  $(n_1, m_1) = 1$ .  
 So  $n_1 \mid r$ .  
 Also  $(x^m)^{n_1} = x^{m_1 dn_1} = x^{m_1 n} = e$ . Thus,  $r \mid n_1$ .  
 Hence  $r = n_1 = \frac{n}{(n, m)}$ , that is,  $o(x^m) = \frac{n}{(n, m)}$ .
- E21) Suppose  $o(x^m) = r \in \mathbb{Z}$ , for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ .  
 Then  $x^{mr} = e$ , which means that  $o(x)$  is finite, a contradiction. Thus, what we assumed was wrong, that is,  $x^m$  cannot be of finite order.
- E22) Not necessarily. For example,  $o(A_4) = 12$ , but  $A_4$  has no subgroup of order  $6$ .
- E23) You know that  $\{e\}$  and  $Z(G)$  are subgroups of  $G$ . So, now we only need to check that they are normal in  $G$ . For any  $g \in G$ ,  $g^{-1}eg = e \in \{e\}$ . Hence  $\{e\} \triangleleft G$ .  
 Next, let  $g \in G$  and  $z \in Z(G)$ . Then  
 $g^{-1}zg = g^{-1}gz$ , since  $zg = gz$ .  
 $= z \in Z(G)$ .

Thus,  $Z(G) \triangleleft G$ .

- E24) a) i) Let  $x \in H \cap K$  and  $g \in G$ .  
 Since  $H \triangleleft G$  and  $x \in H$ ,  $g^{-1}xg \in H$ .  
 Similarly,  $g^{-1}xg \in K$ .  
 Thus,  $g^{-1}xg \in H \cap K$ . Hence  $H \cap K \triangleleft G$ .
- ii) Let  $hk \in HK$ ,  $g \in G$ . Then  $g^{-1}hg \in H$ ,  $g^{-1}kg \in K$ .  
 So  $g^{-1}(hk)g = (g^{-1}hg)(g^{-1}kg) \in HK$ , and hence,  $HK \triangleleft G$ .
- b) For example,  $\langle (1\ 2) \rangle$  and  $\langle (1\ 3) \rangle$  are not normal in  $S_3$ , and  
 $\langle (1\ 2) \rangle \langle (1\ 3) \rangle \not\triangleleft S_3$ .

E25) From the elements given in Example 3, you can see that  $G = HK$ .  
 Note that  $y^{-1}xy = xy^2 \notin H$ . So  $H \not\triangleleft G$ .

E26) Let  $x^{-1}y^{-1}xy \in G'$  and  $g \in G$ . Then  
 $g^{-1}(x^{-1}y^{-1}xy)g = (g^{-1}x^{-1}g)(g^{-1}y^{-1}g)(g^{-1}xg)(g^{-1}yg)$   
 $= (g^{-1}xg)^{-1}(g^{-1}yg)^{-1}(g^{-1}xg)(g^{-1}yg) \in G'$ .  
 Therefore, for any  $\alpha \in G'$ ,  $g^{-1}\alpha g \in G' \forall g \in G$ .  
 So  $G' \triangleleft G$ .

E27) As in E17, you can show that  $S_n/A_n = \{A_n, A_n(1\ 2)\}$ .

E28) Since  $|G/G| = \frac{|G|}{|G|} = 1$ ,  $G/G = \{G\} = \{\bar{e}\}$ .

Since  $|G/\{e\}| = |G|$  and  $\bar{g} = g\{e\} \in G/\{e\} \forall g \in G$ ,  $G/\{e\} = \{\bar{g} \mid g \in G\}$ .

Also note that for  $g, h \in G$ ,  $\bar{g} = \bar{h} \Leftrightarrow gh^{-1} \in \{e\} \Leftrightarrow g = h$ .

So  $G/\{e\} \cong G$ .

E29) i) Let  $G = \langle g \rangle$  and  $H \leq G$ . Then  $H = \langle g^m \rangle$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Then  $G/H \cong \{H, gH, g^2H, \dots, g^{m-1}H\} = S$ , say.

Also, any element of  $G/H$  is of the form  $g^tH = (gH)^t$ .

If  $t \leq m$ , then  $g^tH \in S$ .

If  $t > m$ , then  $t = mq + r$ , where  $r < m$ .

So  $g^t = (g^m)^q \cdot g^r$ , hence  $g^tH = g^rH \in S$ .

Thus,  $G/H = S$ , and  $S = \langle gH \rangle$ , the cyclic group generated by  $gH$ .

ii) This is not true. For instance, consider the Klein 4-group. It is not cyclic, but all its non-trivial quotient groups are cyclic, being of order 2.

- E30) Let  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in G/H$ , where  $x, y \in G$ . Then  $\bar{x}\bar{y} = \overline{xy} = \overline{yx} = \bar{y}\bar{x}$ . Hence the result.
- E31) This is not true. For instance,  $Q_8/\langle i \rangle$  is abelian, since it is cyclic. But  $Q_8$  is not abelian, as you know.
- E32)  $\pi$  is well-defined because  $g_1 = g_2 \Rightarrow g_1H = g_2H$ , that is,  $\pi(g_1) = \pi(g_2)$ . Further,  $\pi(g_1g_2) = \overline{g_1g_2} = \bar{g}_1\bar{g}_2 = \pi(g_1)\pi(g_2)$ .  
Now, any element of  $G/H$  is  $\bar{g}$  for some  $g \in G$ , which is  $\pi(g)$ . So,  $\pi$  is surjective.  
 $\text{Ker } \pi = \{g \in G \mid \pi(g) = H\} = \{g \in G \mid g \in H\} = H$ .
- E33)  $i(r_1 + r_2) = r_1 + r_2 = i(r_1) + i(r_2)$ .  
You can show that  $\text{Im } i = \mathbb{R}$  and  $\text{Ker } i = \{0\}$ .
- E34) For  $x, y \in G$ ,  $(g \circ f)(xy) = g(f(xy)) = g(f(x)f(y)) = g(f(x))g(f(y)) = (g \circ f)(x)(g \circ f)(y)$ .  
Thus,  $g \circ f$  is a group homomorphism from  $G_1$  to  $G_3$ .
- E35) To check that  $\phi$  is well-defined, let  $\bar{r} = \bar{s}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Then  $n \mid (r-s)$ , say  $(r-s) = nt$ . Then  $\zeta^{r-s} = \zeta^{nt} = 1$ , that is  $\zeta^r = \zeta^s$ . Hence  $\phi$  is well-defined.  
Now,  $\phi(\bar{r}_1 + \bar{r}_2) = \phi(\overline{r_1 + r_2}) = \zeta^{r_1+r_2} = \zeta^{r_1} \cdot \zeta^{r_2} = \phi(\bar{r}_1) \cdot \phi(\bar{r}_2)$ , so that  $\phi$  is a group homomorphism.  
Next,  $\text{Ker } \phi = \{\bar{r} \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid \zeta^r = 1\} = \{\bar{r} \in \mathbb{Z}_n \mid n \mid r\} = \{\bar{0}\}$ .  
Finally, any element of  $U_n$  is  $\zeta^r$ , where  $0 \leq r \leq n-1$  and  $\zeta^r = \phi(\bar{r})$ , where  $\bar{r} \in \mathbb{Z}_n$ . So  $\phi$  is onto.  
Hence  $\phi$  is a group isomorphism.
- E36) Let  $f : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  be an onto group homomorphism, where  $G_1 = \langle g \rangle$ . Then, any element of  $G_2$  is of the form  $f(g^m) = [f(g)]^m$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Thus,  $G_2 = \langle f(g) \rangle$ .  
For the converse, consider  $\pi : S_3 \rightarrow S_3/A_3$ . Then  $\pi$  is an onto homomorphism and  $S_3/A_3$  is cyclic, but  $S_3$  is not.
- E37) **Outline of proof of FTH:** Define  $\psi : G/\text{Ker } \phi \rightarrow \text{Im } \phi : \psi(\bar{g}) = \phi(g)$ .  
Check that  $\psi$  is well-defined,  $\psi$  is a group homomorphism,  $\psi$  is surjective,  $\psi$  is 1-1. ■  
To prove Theorem 8, define  $\lambda : H \rightarrow HK/K : \lambda(h) = \bar{h}$ . Check that  $\lambda$  is well-defined, a group homomorphism, and surjective. Now  $\text{Ker } \lambda = \{h \in H \mid \bar{h} = \bar{1}\} = \{h \in H \mid h \in K\} = H \cap K$ .  
Now apply Theorem 7 to get the result. ■

To prove Theorem 9, define  $\mu: G/K \rightarrow G/H: \mu(gK) = gH$ .

Show that  $\mu$  is well-defined, a group homomorphism, surjective and  $\text{Ker } \mu = H/K$ . Now apply Theorem 7 to get the result. ■

E38) By Theorem 8,  $HK/H \simeq K/H \cap K$ .

Thus  $\frac{o(HK)}{o(H)} = \frac{o(K)}{o(H \cap K)}$ . Hence the result.

E39) i) Firstly, since  $G \neq \emptyset$ , the identity map,  $I \in \text{Aut } G$ . So  $\text{Aut } G \neq \emptyset$ .

Next, if  $\psi_1: G \rightarrow G$  and  $\psi_2: G \rightarrow G$  are in  $\text{Aut } G$ , then

$\psi_1 \circ \psi_2: G \rightarrow G$  is also an isomorphism. Thus,  $\circ$  is closed on  $\text{Aut } G$ .

Thirdly,  $\circ$  is associative, since it is associative in general.

Fourthly,  $I: G \rightarrow G: I(g) = g$  is the identity w.r.t.  $\circ$ .

Finally,  $\psi^{-1}: G \rightarrow G$  is the inverse of  $\psi: G \rightarrow G$ .

Thus,  $(\text{Aut } G, \circ)$  is a group.

ii) You can check that  $f_g$  is 1-1, onto and a group homomorphism, for each  $g \in G$ .

iii) Firstly, since  $G \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\text{Inn } G \neq \emptyset$ . (Why?)

Next, for  $g_1, g_2 \in G$ , show that  $f_{g_1} \circ f_{g_2} = f_{g_2 g_1} \in \text{Inn } G$ .

Also, for  $g_1 \in G, (f_{g_1})^{-1} = f_{g_1^{-1}} \in \text{Inn } G$ .

So  $\text{Inn } G \leq \text{Aut } G$ .

Now, for  $\psi \in \text{Aut } G$  and  $g \in G$ , show that

$\psi^{-1} \circ f_g \circ \psi = f_{\psi^{-1}(g)} \in \text{Inn } G$ . Hence  $\text{Inn } G \triangleleft \text{Aut } G$ .

iv) Define  $f: G \rightarrow \text{Inn } G: f(g) = f_{g^{-1}}$ .

Check that  $f$  is well-defined.

Now  $f(g_1 g_2) = f_{(g_1 g_2)^{-1}} = f_{g_2^{-1} g_1^{-1}} = f_{g_1^{-1}} \circ f_{g_2^{-1}} = f(g_1) f(g_2)$ .

Thus  $f$  is a group homomorphism.

Also, check that  $f$  is onto.

Finally,  $\text{Ker } f = \{g \in G \mid f_{g^{-1}} = f_e\} = \{g \in G \mid gxg^{-1} = x \forall x \in G\}$

$$= \{g \in G \mid gx = xg \forall x \in G\}$$

$$= Z(G).$$

Now use FTH to get the result.

E40) Let  $G = \langle g \rangle$  be a cyclic group.

Define  $\psi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G: \psi(m) = g^m$ .

Now  $\psi$  is a well-defined group homomorphism, which is surjective.

If  $G$  is an infinite cyclic group, then  $\psi(m) = \psi(n) \Rightarrow m = n$ , that is,

$\text{Ker } \psi = \{0\}$ .

And hence, by FTH,  $\mathbb{Z} \simeq \langle g \rangle$ .

If  $G$  is finite, of order  $n$ , then  $g^n = e$  and if  $g^m = e$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then

$n \mid m$ . So, in this case,  $\text{Ker } \psi = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} \mid g^m = e\} = n\mathbb{Z}$ .

Thus, by FTH,  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \langle g \rangle$ .

Since  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_n$ ,  $\langle g \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_n$ .

- E41) Define  $\psi : \mathbb{Z}_5 \rightarrow S_5 : \psi(\bar{1}) = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5)$  and  $\psi(\bar{0}) = I$ , and extend  $\psi$  to be a homomorphism, that is,  $\psi(\bar{m}) = m\psi(\bar{1}) \forall m = 2, 3, 4, 5$ .  
Then, the way  $\psi$  is defined, it is a group homomorphism which is 1-1, and  $\text{Im}\psi = \langle (1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5) \rangle \leq S_5$ .
- E42) Yes, it would. This is because, by Cayley's theorem, the finite group is isomorphic to a finite permutation group; and being isomorphic they must satisfy the same properties.



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