

Modern Algebra and Number Systems

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Lesson 5

Finite Groups and the Division Algorithm

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More Groups
The Division Algorithm

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Still studying groups ①
but our examples today
will have finitely many
elements.

Clock Arithmetic
elements are
actions:
advance by 1 hour
advance by 2 hours
...
advance by 8 hours
...
advance by 11 hours
not advancing 0
 $\{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, 8, \dots, 11, 0\}$



* is combine actions

$1 * 2 =$ advance by 1 hour
and
advance by 2 hours
= advance by 3 hours

$$1 * 2 = 3$$

$$3 * 10 = 1$$



we
can make
a table.



Can make a chart

*	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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pause +
list the inverses.

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6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
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9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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pause + list the inverses.

← Here is the chart for clock arithmetic

0 is the identity because

$0 * x = x$
and also
 $x * 0 = x$
 $\forall x \in G$

$1 * 11 = 0$
 $2 * 10 = 0$
 $3 * 9 = 0$
:
:
 $0 * 0 = 0$

These are the inverses



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4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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Inverse

$$1^{-1} = 11 \quad 1 * 11 = 0$$

$$11^{-1} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad 11 * 1 = 0$$

$$2^{-1} = 10 \quad 2 * 10 = 0$$

$$10^{-1} = 2 \quad \text{and} \quad 10 * 2 = 0$$

$$3^{-1} = 9 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 9^{-1} = 3$$

$$4^{-1} = 8 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 8^{-1} = 4$$

$$5^{-1} = 7 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad 7^{-1} = 5$$

$$6^{-1} = 6$$

$$7^{-1} =$$

Associativity
because a
combo of actions

$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)\}$ (2)
Additive Group of Integers
modulo n

Clock arithmetic was $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$

$\mathbb{Z}_3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$ 

$$\begin{array}{lll} 0+0=0 & 0+1=1 & 0+2=2 \\ 1+0=1 & 1+1=2 & 1+2=0 \\ 2+0=2 & 2+1=0 & 2+2=1 \end{array}$$

Can check associativity
but tedious.
Make the chart ✓ (pause)
Find the identity
Find the inverses

+	0	1	2
0	0	1	2
1	1	2	0
2	2	0	1

$0 * a = a$
 $\forall a \in G$
row

Identity $e * a = a * e = a$
 $\forall a \in G$

column
 $a * 0 = a \forall a \in A$
 $e = 0$ Identity

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Inverses ($a + a^{-1} = 0$)

$0^{-1} = 0$ because $0 + 0 = 0$

$1^{-1} = 2$ because $\begin{cases} 1 + 2 = 0 \\ \text{and} \\ 2 + 1 = 0 \end{cases}$

$2^{-1} = 1$ because $\begin{cases} 2 + 1 = 0 \\ \text{and} \\ 1 + 2 = 0 \end{cases}$

①
 First hw
 will be to do
 the same for $\mathbb{Z}_4$

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The Division Algorithm (3)

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 there unique exist
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 $q = \text{quotient}$ $r = \text{remainder}$

Thm If $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ then
 $\exists!$ $q, r \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $a = qn + r$
 and $r \in [0, n)$.

~~11~~ $a \overline{) 2}$ Remainder = r

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~~2.1~~ $a \div n$ $\xrightarrow{q}$ Remainder = r

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Proof Step 1 Show q and r exist.

① Let qn be the greatest multiple of n that is $\leq a$.

① $0 \cdot n \leq a$ ✓

$1 \cdot n \leq a$? if not then $q=0$ if yes continue

$2 \cdot n \leq a$? if not then $q=1$ if yes continue

$\vdots$

Do we ever stop?

If we did not stop then $q \cdot n \leq a \forall q \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

but then $q \leq \frac{a}{n} \forall q \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

Contradicts Archimedean principle

$1, 2, 3, \dots$

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② If we let $r = a - qn$ then $r \geq 0$ and $a = qn + r$ ② by step 1 add qn to both sides

③ We claim $r < n$

③ Assume on Contrary $r \geq n$ ③(a) Indirect Hyp

③(b) $r - n \geq 0$ ③(b) add n to both sides

$r - n = a - (q+1)n \geq 0$
 $= (a - qn) - n = a - (q+1)n$ by step 2

$(q+1)n \leq a$
 So $(q+1) \cdot n$ is a multiple of n that is $\leq a$.
 choice of q in step 1

$$\begin{array}{r} 5 \\ 3 \overline{) 16} \\ \underline{15} \\ 1 \end{array}$$

$$R=1$$

5.3 is greatest multiple of 3 $\leq a$

$$q=5$$

$$a=16 \quad n=3$$

$$3 \cdot 5 + 1 = 16$$

$$1 \in [0, 3)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ 3 \overline{) 16} \\ \underline{12} \\ 4 \end{array}$$

Remainder 4 $\notin [0, 3)$
not a good remainder
was not chosen big enough.
4.3 is not the greatest multiple.

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$2 \text{ remainder } r$
 $n \sqrt{a}$

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$1 \leq \dots \leq n-1$

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Proof Part II Uniqueness (5)

① Assume on the contrary that it is not unique
 ① Indirect Hyp.

② Two solutions $n \sqrt{a}$
 q_1 w/ remainder $r_1 \in [0, n)$
 q_2 w/ remainder $r_2 \in [0, n)$
 $q_1n + r_1 = a = q_2n + r_2$

③ $q_1n - q_2n = r_2 - r_1$
 ③ subtract r_1 from both sides and subtract q_2n from both side.

④ So $r_2 - r_1$ is a multiple of n
 ③ $r_2 - r_1 = n(q_1 - q_2)$
 by factoring.

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(5) but $-n < r_2 - r_1 < n$ (5) by step 6 and $r_1 \in [0, n)$, $-r_1 \in (-n, 0]$, $r_2 - r_1 \in (-n, n)$

(6) So $r_1 - r_2 = 0 \cdot n$ (6) by steps 4+5

(7) So $r_1 = r_2$ (7) adding r_2 to both sides.

(8) $q_1n = a - r_1 = a - r_2 = q_2n$ (8) Step 2 subtracting r_1 and step 7

(9) $q_1 = q_2$ (9) dividing by $n > 0$ $\square$

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Identity: The identity element is 0. Why? $0 \oplus x = \overline{0+x} = \bar{x} = x$ if $0 < x < n-1$, and, similarly, $x \oplus 0 = x$.

Inverses: *Read in book*

The group $(\mathbb{Z}_n, \oplus)$ is called the additive group of integers mod n . Notice

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Modular Arithmetic

$$\mathbb{Z}_n = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)\}$$

$$a \oplus b = (a+b) \bmod n$$

where

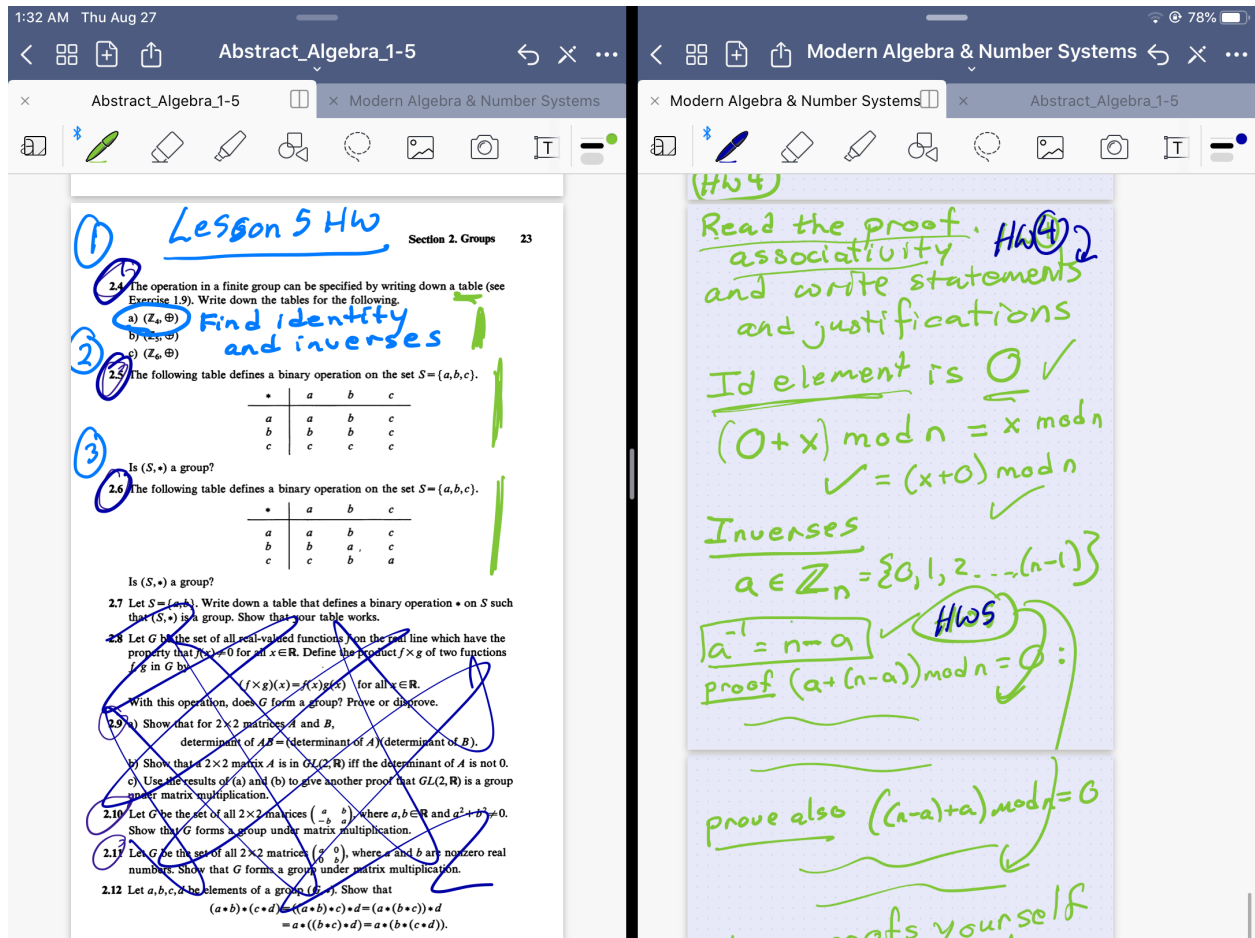
$x \bmod n$ for $x \in \mathbb{Z}$
 $n \in \mathbb{N}$

is defined

$n \overline{) x}$ remainder r

$$x \bmod n = \bar{r}$$

book writes $\bar{x}$



HW6: Important for computer science students

Consider the set of two elements $\{p, q\}$. This set has four subsets

$\emptyset$ = empty set

$\{p\}$

$\{q\}$

$\{p, q\}$

Let S be the set of subsets.

Recall $A/B = \{x \text{ such that } x \text{ is in } A \text{ but } x \text{ is not in } B\}$

and

$A \cup B = \{x \text{ such that } x \text{ in } A \text{ or } x \text{ in } B\}$

Consider the operation symmetric difference defined on this set:

$$A \triangle B = (A \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A)$$

So this is the set $\{x \text{ such that } x \text{ is in } A \text{ but not } B \text{ or } x \text{ is in } B \text{ but not } A\}$

So for example:

$$\begin{aligned} \{p\} \triangle \{p\} &= (\{p\} \setminus \{p\}) \cup (\{p\} \setminus \{p\}) \\ &= \emptyset \cup \emptyset = \emptyset \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{p, q\} \triangle \{p\} &= (\{p, q\} \setminus \{p\}) \cup (\{p\} \setminus \{p, q\}) \\ &= \{q\} \cup \emptyset = \{q\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{p\} \triangle \{q\} &= (\{p\} \setminus \{q\}) \cup (\{q\} \setminus \{p\}) \\ &= \{p\} \cup \{q\} = \{p, q\} \end{aligned}$$

Write out the table of this symmetric difference as a binary operation for S. By set theory we know it is associative so you do not need to prove this. Find the identity and inverses to prove it is a group.

The HW is six problems given above. You need the textbook to complete the homework because you are now expected to be able to read the book and follow the proofs yourself as has been done in all the first five lessons. These problems are very similar to the classwork. Always try the classwork yourself before watching the solutions because that is your opportunity to see hints.

Another hint: if asked to check if something is a group or not, the quickest way is to check it is a binary operation first, then find the identity, then find the inverses, and only check associativity last. A more general hint: any time you are told to prove or disprove something with many things to check, check the easiest parts first.

Another hint: As explained on the lesson, check if $(G, *)$ is a group you must prove all four of the following:

1. To prove binary operator as in lesson 4:

Given a, b in G show $a*b$ in G

step 1 given a, b in G say what you know about a and b justify with defn of G

step 2 $a*b =$ fill in justify with defn of $*$

step 3 = simplify it more if necessary and justify with something appropriate

step 4 conclude $a*b$ in G justify by checking all the rules about G

2. To prove associativity in a finite group with a table you must check all combinations of

$$x*(y*z) = (x*y)*z$$

aaa bbb ccc

aab aba baa

aac aca caa

abb bab bba

abc bac bca

cba cab acb

bbc bcb cbb

acc cac cca

and so on if there are even more elements.

3. To prove Identity you must check on both sides.

4. To prove Inverses you must check on both sides.

To show it is not a group you just need to show it fails one of the four points.

A statement in a proof needs to say something that is either true or false it cannot be left hanging: " $a*b =$ " alone is not a statement.

Justifications are not explanations why you are doing something or your plans for what is going on. Each is a pure explanation why its statement is true. If no algebra is happening in the statement then the justification is not "algebra". If there is no matrix multiplication in the statement then the justification is not "matrix multiplication".

Once you have completed this homework and the professor has checked it you may start practicing the [sample exam](#).

----- The following message regarding Exam 1 was emailed to the class-----

For those of you who are completing Lesson 5 this week, you may take Exam 1 on Sunday or Monday. The rest of you may take the exam next week. Choose your preferred time at the top

of your google doc. Choose a time when your home is quiet. This is why I include a time in the middle of the night.

When you are sitting and ready to take the exam with your googledoc open to Lesson 6, send me an email. I will put part 1 of your individual exam in your google doc. You will complete that part within 30 minutes and upload the photos right below your exam. You may take a break and then email me you are ready for part 2 and we repeat. The googledoc will record the time when your photos were uploaded. You should also keep your photos.

Everyone has a different exam. All exams are similar to the samples. You may consult notes and the internet and use calculators or MATLAB or Maple but must show all work and must use the techniques taught in our class. You may not seek help from a human being or online tutoring service.

The 30 minutes for each part is a serious time limit. I need an official note from disability services to grant more time. If anyone panics during the exam, we will cancel the exam and you will take a new one the following week. If you have already completed part 1, you may cancel just part 2.

Remember you will only take this exam if you are ready for it. The goal is to get a perfect score on Exam I because the rest of the course builds on this material. Remember as always do not reply to this email, use sormanic@gmail.com.

Best Regards,

Prof Sormani