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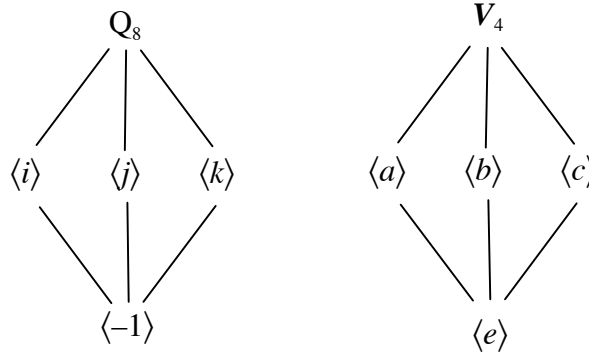
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Correspondence Theorem Applied to Quotient Groups

Recall: If G is a group and $K \triangleleft G$, then the natural homomorphism $\pi: G \rightarrow G/K$ is defined by $\pi(g) = gK$ and $\ker \pi = K$.

Let G be a group with $K \triangleleft G$. Then there is a 1-1 correspondence between subgroups of G/K and subgroups of G containing K . Moreover, ordering and normalcy are preserved.

Example $Q_8/\langle -1 \rangle \cong V_4$.



If $H \leq G/K$, then $H = H'/K$ where $H' \leq G$.

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Proof:

(1) First prove the result for a prime divisor p of $|G|$.

(2) Prove for $d \mid |G|$.

(1) Let $|G| = n$. We'll prove this by induction on n .

If $n = 1$, we're done. (ie. There are no prime divisors of 1, so the statement is vacuously true.)

We state our induction hypothesis: Assume any group with order less than n has a subgroup of order p if p divides the order of the group.

Let $a \in G$. Then $\circ(a) = k$, for some integer k , and $p \mid k$ or $p \nmid k$.

If $p \mid k$, you do this on your own.

If $p \mid k$, then $k = pj$, for some integer j . By the gcd theorem, $\circ(a^j) = p$.
 Hence $|\langle a^j \rangle| = p$ and $\langle a^j \rangle \leq G$.

Assume $p \nmid k$. Then go to quotients then back to G .

From text: Note $\langle a \rangle \triangleleft G$ since G is Abelian, and thus the quotient group $G/\langle a \rangle$ exists.

We know that $|G/\langle a \rangle| = n/k$ which is divisible by p . Since $n/k < n$, then our inductive hypothesis gives us a subgroup of order p . And since every group of prime order is cyclic, then we know this group is generated by an element $b\langle a \rangle \in G/\langle a \rangle$ that has order p . Let $\circ(b) = m$. Applying the natural homomorphism $\pi: G \rightarrow G/\langle a \rangle$ we have $\pi(b) = b\langle a \rangle$. And Exercise 2.42 gives us that $\circ(b\langle a \rangle) \mid \circ(b)$ or $p \mid m$. \therefore We have found an element, b , of G whose order is divisible by p . And we have shown in the case above, that $\langle b^j \rangle \leq G$ for some integer j .

\therefore The proposition holds for any prime divisor of $|G|$.

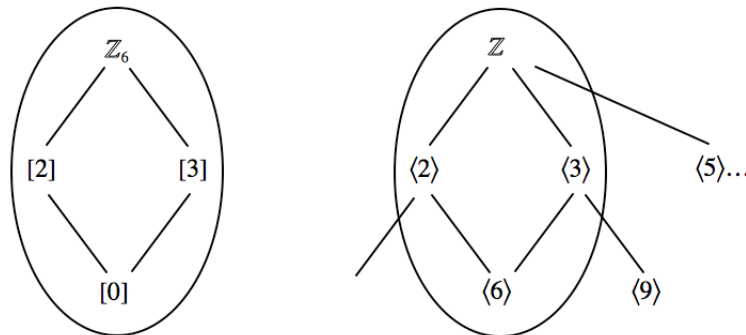
(2) Now we generalize to any divisor d of $|G|$.

We restate our induction hypothesis as: Assume any group with order less than n has a subgroup of order d if d divides the order of the group.

Let d be a divisor of $|G|$, and let p be a prime divisor of d . By (1) we know there is a subgroup $S \leq G$ of order p . Since G is Abelian, $S \triangleleft G$, so the quotient group G/S exists. And $|G/S| = n/p$. Since $n/p < n$, and d/p divides n , then by our induction hypothesis, G/S has a subgroup H^* of order d/p . The correspondence theorem gives $H^* = H/S$ for some subgroup H of G containing S , and $d/p = |H^*| = |H/S| = |H|/p$, hence $|H| = |H^*| \cdot |S| = d$.

$\therefore G$ has a subgroup of order d .

Example



Let $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6$ be defined by $\phi(n) = [n]$.

Subgroups of \mathbb{Z}_6 :	$\langle [2] \rangle$	$\langle [3] \rangle$	$\langle [0] \rangle$
Subgroups of \mathbb{Z} :	$\langle 2 \rangle$	$\langle 3 \rangle$	\dots
	$\langle 4 \rangle$	$\langle 9 \rangle$	$\langle 6 \rangle$
			\dots
Notice that	$\phi(\langle 2 \rangle) = \langle [2] \rangle$		
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Proof (1):

Define f , A , and B as above.

We first prove f is injective. Let $H, J \in A$ such that $f(H) = f(J)$.

$\therefore \phi(H) = \phi(J)$.

Let $a \in H$. Then $\phi(a) \in \phi(H) = \phi(J)$, so $\phi(a) \in \phi(J)$.

$\therefore \exists b \in J$ such that $\phi(b) = \phi(a)$ (since $\phi: G \rightarrow \phi(G)$ is surjective).

So $e' = \phi(b)\phi(a)^{-1} = \phi(ba^{-1})$. $\therefore ba^{-1} \in \ker \phi$.

And since $J \in A$, then $\ker \phi \subseteq J$.

$\therefore ba^{-1} \in J$, which gives us $b^{-1}ba^{-1} = a^{-1} \in J$ (since $b \in J$).

$\therefore a \in J$. $\therefore H \subseteq J$.

By a symmetric proof, $J \subseteq H$. $\therefore H = J$, as desired, hence f is injective.

We next show f is surjective.

Let $H' \in B$, then $H' \leq \phi(G)$. Let $H = \phi^{-1}(H')$.

We need to show $H \leq G$ and $\ker \phi \subseteq H$. We begin by showing $H \leq G$.

Since $\phi: G \rightarrow \phi(G)$ is surjective and $H' \leq \phi(G)$, then, by Proposition 1.50 (ii), $\phi(\phi^{-1}(H')) = H'$. This gives us $\phi(H) = H'$.

And finally we show $H \leq G$ by basic homomorphism properties.

Since $e' \in H'$, then $\phi^{-1}(e') = e \in H$, so $H \neq \emptyset$.

Let $x, y \in H$, then $\phi(x)\phi(y^{-1}) = \phi(xy^{-1}) \in H'$.

$\therefore xy^{-1} \in \phi^{-1}(H') = H$. $\therefore H \leq G$.

We now will show $\ker \phi \subseteq H$.

Let $x \in \ker \phi$. Then $\phi(x) = e' \in H'$. So $x \in \phi^{-1}(H') = H$. $\therefore x \in H$.

$\therefore \ker \phi \subseteq H$.

Proof (2): In text.

Proof (3): In text.