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$$\textcircled{2} \quad C_G(Z(G)) = \{g \in G \mid gh = hg \text{ for all } h \in Z(G)\}$$

Since $gh = hg$ for every $h \in Z(G)$ by the def. of $Z(G)$, we have that $C_G(Z(G)) = G$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } g \in G. \text{ Then } gZ(G)g^{-1} &= \{gzg^{-1} \mid z \in Z(G)\} \\ &= \{gg^{-1}z \mid z \in Z(G)\} = \{z \mid z \in Z(G)\} = Z(G). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } N_G(Z(G)) = \{g \in G \mid gZ(G)g^{-1} = Z(G)\} = G.$$

$$\textcircled{5} \text{ (a) } G = S_3 = \{1, (1,2), (2,3), (1,3), (1,2,3), (1,3,2)\}$$
$$A = \{1, (1,2,3), (1,3,2)\}$$

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Since A is an abelian group ($A = \langle (1,2,3) \rangle$ is cyclic)
 $ab = ba$ for every $a, b \in A$. Hence $A \subseteq C_{S_3}(A)$.

Thus, $A = C_{S_3}(A)$.

5(a) continued...

$$\begin{aligned}(1,2)A(1,2)^{-1} &= (1,2)A(1,2) \\ &= \{(1,2)1(1,2), (1,2)(1,2,3)(1,2), (1,2)(1,3,2)(1,2)\} \\ &= \{1, (1,3,2), (1,2,3)\} = A\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $(1,3)A(1,3)^{-1} = A$, $(2,3)A(2,3)^{-1} = A$,
 $1A1^{-1} = A$, $(1,2,3)A(1,2,3)^{-1} = A$, and $(1,3,2)A(1,3,2)^{-1} = A$.

So, $N_G(A) = G$.

(a)
⑥ Let H be a subgroup of G . We show
that $H \leq N_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gHg^{-1} = H\}$.

proof: We just need to show that H is a subset
of $N_G(H)$ since we are already assuming that
 H is a subgroup.

⊆ Let $h \in H$. Then, $hHh^{-1} = \{hh_ih^{-1} \mid h_i \in H\}$.

Since H is a subgroup, if $h, h_i \in H$, then
 $hh_ih^{-1} \in H$, because H is closed under the group
operation and inversion. Hence, $hHh^{-1} \subseteq H$.

⊇ ~~suppose~~ suppose $h, h_i \in H$. Then, $h_i = h(h^{-1}h_ih)h^{-1} \in hHh^{-1}$.
Thus, if $h_i \in H$, then $h_i \in hHh^{-1}$. So, $H \subseteq hHh^{-1}$.

You can try to find an example of where
this fails if $H \not\leq G$. □

⑥ (b) $H \leq C_G(H)$ iff H is abelian.

(\Rightarrow) Suppose $H \leq C_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gh = hg \ \forall h \in H\}$.

Then, $h'h = hh'$ for all $h, h' \in H$, so, H is abelian.

(\Leftarrow) Suppose H is abelian. Then $h'h = hh'$ for all $h, h' \in H$. Hence

$$H \leq C_G(H) = \{g \in G \mid gh = hg \ \forall h \in H\}. \quad \square$$

⑦

(b) This follows from §1, 2 #4.

(a) Suppose $n = 2k+1$ is odd. Then $r^n = 1$ and $r^l \neq 1$ if $l < n$. Note that if $0 < \bar{i} < n$, then

$r^{\bar{i}}s = sr^{n-\bar{i}} \neq sr^{\bar{i}}$ because if so $n-\bar{i} = \bar{i}$ which would imply that $n = 2\bar{i}$ was even.

So, $r, r^2, r^3, \dots, r^{n-1}$ are in $Z(D_{2n})$.

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Similarly, $(sr^{\bar{i}})s = s^2 r^{-\bar{i}} = r^{n-\bar{i}} \neq r^{\bar{i}} = s(sr^{\bar{i}})$.

if $0 < \bar{i} < n$

for the same reason $(r^{n-\bar{i}} = r^{\bar{i}} \text{ iff } n-\bar{i} = \bar{i} \text{ iff } n \text{ is even})$

So, $s, sr, sr^2, \dots, sr^{n-1}$ are in $Z(D_{2n})$.

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Hence $Z(D_{2n}) = \{1\}$.

(11) $Z(G) \leq N_G(A)$ for any subset A of G

Let $z \in Z(G)$. Then, $zAz^{-1} = \{zaz^{-1} \mid a \in A\}$

$$\stackrel{\oplus}{=} \{zz^{-1}a \mid a \in A\} = \{a \mid a \in A\} = A.$$

Since $z \in Z(G)$

So, $z \in N_G(A)$. 