

CHAPTER 1 HW

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Sec 1.1 #5, 8, 11, 12, 25, 28

5.) Prove: $\langle \mathbb{Z}_n, \circ \rangle$ is NOT a Group if $n > 1$.

Pf: Assume $n > 1$. Let $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_n$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{0} \neq \bar{1} \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{0} \cdot \bar{a} = \bar{0} \neq \bar{1}$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{0}$ has no multiplicative inverse in \mathbb{Z}_n

$\therefore \langle \mathbb{Z}_n, \circ \rangle$ is NOT a group. \square

8.) Let $G = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z^n = 1 \text{ f.s. } n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ NOTE: $G \subseteq \mathbb{C}^*$

a.) Prove: $\langle G, \circ \rangle$ is a Group.

Pf: a.) Let $x, y \in G$

$$\Rightarrow x^n = 1 \wedge y^n = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (xy)^n = x^n y^n = (1)(1) = 1, \text{ since } \langle \mathbb{C}^*, \circ \rangle \text{ is Abelian.}$$

$$\Rightarrow xy \in G$$

b.) G is Associative, since $\langle \mathbb{C}^*, \circ \rangle$ is Associative.

c.) $1^n = 1$, so $1 \in G$

d.) Let $x \in G$

$$\Rightarrow x^n = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^{-1})^n = \left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^n = \frac{1}{x^n} = \frac{1}{1} = 1, \text{ so } x^{-1} \in G$$

$\therefore \langle G, \circ \rangle$ is a Group \square

b.) Prove: $\langle G, + \rangle$ is NOT a Group.

Pf: $0^n = 0 \neq 1$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \notin G$$

$\therefore \langle G, + \rangle$ is NOT a group, since it has no additive identity. \square

11.) Find the order of each element of \mathbb{Z}_{12} . RECALL: $|\bar{a}| = \frac{n}{\gcd(a, n)}$

$$|\bar{0}| = 1$$

$$|\bar{3}| = 4$$

$$|\bar{6}| = 2$$

$$|\bar{9}| = 4$$

$$|\bar{1}| = 12$$

$$|\bar{4}| = 3$$

$$|\bar{7}| = 12$$

$$|\bar{10}| = 6$$

$$|\bar{2}| = 6$$

$$|\bar{5}| = 12$$

$$|\bar{8}| = 3$$

$$|\bar{11}| = 12$$

12.) Find the order of the following elements of \mathbb{Z}_{12}^* .

$$|\bar{1}| = 1$$

$$|\bar{7}| = 2, \text{ since } (\bar{7})^2 = \bar{49} = \bar{1}$$

$$|\bar{-1}| = 2, \text{ since } (\bar{-1})^2 = \bar{1}$$

$$|\bar{-7}| = |\bar{5}| = 2$$

$$|\bar{5}| = 2, \text{ since } (\bar{5})^2 = \bar{25} = \bar{1}$$

$$|\bar{13}| = |\bar{1}| = 1$$

25) Prove: iff $x^2 = 1_G \forall x \in G$, then G is Abelian.

Pf: Assume $x^2 = 1_G \forall x \in G$. Let $x, y \in G$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 1_G \wedge y^2 = 1_G \wedge yx \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow (yx)^2 = 1_G$$

$$\Rightarrow xy = xy(yx)^2 = (xy)(yx)(yx) = xy^2xyx = x^2yx = yx$$

$\therefore G$ is Abelian \square

28) Prove: iff $\langle A, * \rangle, \langle B, \diamond \rangle$ are groups, then $A \times B$ is a group.

Pf: Let $\langle A, * \rangle, \langle B, \diamond \rangle$ be Groups

a.) Let $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2) \in A \times B$

$$\Rightarrow (a_1, b_1)(a_2, b_2) = (a_1 * a_2, b_1 \diamond b_2) \in A \times B$$

b.) Let $(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), (a_3, b_3) \in A \times B$

$$\Rightarrow [(a_1, b_1)(a_2, b_2)](a_3, b_3) = (a_1 * a_2, b_1 \diamond b_2)(a_3, b_3)$$

$$= ((a_1 * a_2) * a_3, (b_1 \diamond b_2) \diamond b_3) = (a_1 * (a_2 * a_3), b_1 \diamond (b_2 \diamond b_3))$$

$$= (a_1, b_1)(a_2 * a_3, b_2 \diamond b_3) = (a_1, b_1)[(a_2, b_2)(a_3, b_3)]$$

c.) $(1_A, 1_B) \in A \times B$, since $1_A \in A \wedge 1_B \in B$

d.) Let $(a, b) \in A \times B$

$$\Rightarrow (a, b)^{-1} = (a^{-1}, b^{-1}) \in A \times B$$

$\therefore A \times B$ is a Group \square

Sec 1.2 # 1bc, 4, + A, B, C

1.) Compute the order of each element in D_8 & D_{10} .

D_8 :		D_{10} :	
$ 1 = 1$	$ s = 2$	$ 1 = 1$	$ s = 2$
$ r = 4$	$ sr = 2$	$ r = 5$	$ sr = 2$
$ r^2 = 2$	$ sr^2 = 2$	$ r^2 = 5$	$ sr^2 = 2$
$ r^3 = 4$	$ sr^3 = 2$	$ r^3 = 5$	$ sr^3 = 2$
		$ r^4 = 5$	$ sr^4 = 2$

4.) Prove: if $n=2k$ ($n \geq 4$), then r^k is the only non-identity element which commutes w/ ALL elements of D_{2n} .

Pf: Let $n=2k$ ($n \geq 4$).

a.) By definition, $1\sigma 1^{-1} = \sigma \forall \sigma \in D_{2n}$
 $\Rightarrow 1$ commutes w/ all elements of D_{2n}

b.) Let $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, where $i \neq k$

$\Rightarrow r^{2i} \neq 1$, since $2i \neq n$

$\Rightarrow (r^i)(s)(r^i)^{-1} = r^i s r^{-i} = r^{2i} s \neq s$

$\Rightarrow r^i$ doesn't commute w/ s if $i \neq k$

c.) Let $0 \leq i \leq n-1$

$\Rightarrow (sr^i)(r)(sr^i)^{-1} = sr^{i+1}sr^i = s^2 r^{-i-1+i} = r^{-1} \neq r$, since $n \geq 4$

$\Rightarrow sr^i$ doesn't commute w/ r

d.) Let $0 \leq i \leq n-1$

1.) $(r^k)(r^i)(r^k)^{-1} = r^k r^i r^{-k} = r^{k+i-k} = r^i$

2.) $(r^k)(sr^i)(r^k)^{-1} = r^k sr^i r^{-k} = sr^{-k} r^{i-k} = sr^{i-2k} = sr^{i-n} = sr^i$

$\therefore r^k$ commutes w/ every element of D_{2n}

\therefore By exhaustion, r^k is the ONLY non-identity element that commutes w/ every element of D_{2n} . \square

A.) Compute the group tables of D_6 & D_8 :

D_6	1	r	r ²	s	sr	sr ²		D_8	1	r	r ²	r ³	s	sr	sr ²	sr ³
1	1	r	r ²	s	sr	sr ²		1	1	r	r ²	r ³	s	sr	sr ²	sr ³
r	r	r ²	1	sr ²	s	sr		r	r	r ²	r ³	1	sr ³	s	sr	sr ²
r ²	r ²	1	r	sr	sr ²	s		r ²	r ²	r ³	1	r	sr ²	sr ³	s	sr
s	s	sr	sr ²	1	r	r ²		r ³	r ³	1	r	r ²	sr	sr ²	sr ³	s
sr	sr	sr ²	s	r ²	1	r		s	s	sr	sr ²	sr ³	1	r	r ²	r ³
sr ²	sr ²	s	sr	r	r ²	1		sr	sr	sr ²	sr ³	s	r ³	1	r	r ²
								sr ²	sr ²	sr ³	s	sr	r ²	r ³	1	r
								sr ³	sr ³	s	sr	sr ²	r	r ²	r ³	1

B.) Find the inverse of...

r^2 in D_6 : r

sr in D_8 : sr

r in D_8 : r³

r in D_{2n} : rⁿ⁻¹

r² in D_8 : r²

srⁱ in D_{2n} : srⁱ

C.) In D_8 , simplify the following:

$sr^2sr^3 = sr^2sr^2r = r$

$r sr^{-2} = sr^{-1}r^{-2} = sr^{-3} = sr$

Sec 1.3 #1, 2, 4a

1.) Let $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Find cycle forms for...

$$\sigma = (1, 3, 5)(2, 4)$$

$$\tau = (1, 5)(2, 3)$$

$$\sigma^2 = (1, 5, 3)$$

$$\sigma\tau = (1, 3, 5)(2, 4)(1, 5)(2, 3) = (2, 5, 3, 4)$$

$$\tau\sigma = (1, 5)(2, 3)(1, 3, 5)(2, 4) = (2, 4, 3, 1)$$

$$\tau^2\sigma = \tau(\tau\sigma) = (1, 5)(2, 3)(2, 4, 3, 1) = (2, 4)(1, 3, 5)$$

2.) Let $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 \\ 13 & 2 & 15 & 14 & 10 & 6 & 12 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 7 & 9 & 5 & 11 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$
and $\tau = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 \\ 14 & 9 & 10 & 2 & 12 & 6 & 5 & 11 & 15 & 3 & 8 & 7 & 4 & 1 & 13 \end{pmatrix}$

Find cycle forms for...

$$\sigma = (1, 13, 5, 10)(3, 15, 8)(4, 14, 11, 7, 12, 9)$$

$$\tau = (1, 14)(2, 9, 15, 13, 4)(3, 10)(5, 12, 7)(8, 11)$$

$$\sigma^2 = (4, 11, 12)(14, 7, 9)(3, 8, 15)(1, 5)(13, 10)$$

$$\sigma\tau = (1, 11, 3)(2, 4)(5, 9, 8, 7, 10, 15)(13, 14)$$

$$\tau\sigma = (1, 4)(2, 9)(3, 13, 12, 15, 11, 5)(8, 10, 14)$$

$$\tau^2\sigma = \tau(\tau\sigma) = (1, 2, 15, 8, 3, 4, 14, 11, 12, 13, 7, 5, 10)$$

4.) a.) Compute the order of each element of S_3

$$|1| = 1$$

$$|(1, 2, 3)| = 3$$

$$|(1, 3, 2)| = 3$$

$$|(1, 2)| = 2$$

$$|(1, 3)| = 2$$

$$|(2, 3)| = 2$$

Sec. 1.6 # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 15

1) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be a Homomorphism. Prove: $\phi(x^n) = \phi(x)^n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Pf: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be a Homomorphism. Let $x \in G \wedge n \in \mathbb{Z}$

CASE 1: $n \geq 0$. Induct on n .

BASIC: $n=0$

$$\phi(1_G) = \phi(1_G 1_G) = \phi(1_G) \phi(1_G)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(1_G) = 1_H$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x^n) = \phi(x^0) = \phi(1_G) = 1_H = \phi(x)^0 = \phi(x)^n$$

INDUCTIVE: Assume $\phi(x^n) = \phi(x)^n$ f.s. $n \geq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x^{n+1}) = \phi(x^n x) = \phi(x^n) \phi(x) = \phi(x)^n \phi(x) = \phi(x)^{n+1}$$

CASE 2: $n = -1$

$$1_H = \phi(1_G) = \phi(x x^{-1}) = \phi(x) \phi(x^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x^{-1}) = \phi(x)^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x^n) = \phi(x^{-1}) = \phi(x)^{-1} = \phi(x)^n$$

CASE 3: $n \leq -2$. Let $m = -n$ (so $m > 0$)

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x^n) = \phi(x^{-m}) = \phi((x^{-1})^m) = \phi(x^{-1})^m = [\phi(x)^{-1}]^m = \phi(x)^{-m} = \phi(x)^n$$

$\therefore \phi(x^n) = \phi(x)^n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \quad \square$

2) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be an isomorphism.

a) Prove: $|x| = |\phi(x)| \quad \forall x \in G$

Pf: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be an isomorphism. Let $x \in G$. Suppose $|x| = m \wedge |\phi(x)| = n$

$$\Rightarrow x^m = 1_G \wedge \phi(x)^n = 1_H$$

Assume for contradiction that $m \neq n$.

CASE 1: $m < n$

$$\Rightarrow x^m = 1_G \text{ but } \phi(x)^m \neq 1_H$$

$$\Rightarrow 1_H = \phi(1_G) = \phi(x^m) = \phi(x)^m \neq 1_H$$

CASE 2: $n < m$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(x)^n = 1_H \text{ but } x^n \neq 1_G$$

Since ϕ is bijective, 1_H has the unique preimage 1_G .

$$\Rightarrow 1_G = \phi^{-1}(1_H) = \phi^{-1}(\phi(x)^n) = \phi^{-1}(\phi(x^n)) = x^n \neq 1_G$$

Since both cases are contradictory, we have $|x| = m = n = |\phi(x)| \quad \square$

NOTE: This is not true for all Homomorphisms!

Ex.) $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ defined by $\phi(a) = \bar{a} \quad \forall a \in \mathbb{Z}$ is a Homomorphism.

$$|1| = \infty \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}, \text{ but } |\bar{1}| = 2 \text{ in } \mathbb{Z}_2$$

b.) Prove: G & H have the same number of order- n elements $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Pf: Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $A = \{x \in G : |x| = n\}$ & $B = \{y \in H : |y| = n\}$.

CLAIM: $\phi(A) = B$

(\subseteq): Let $a \in A$
 $\Rightarrow |\phi(a)| = |a| = n$
 $\Rightarrow \phi(a) \in B$
 $\Rightarrow \phi(A) \subseteq B$

(\supseteq): Let $y \in B$
 $\Rightarrow \exists x \in G$ s.t. $\phi(x) = y$ (ϕ is Onto)
 $\Rightarrow |x| = |\phi(x)| = |y| = n$
 $\Rightarrow x \in A$
 $\Rightarrow y = \phi(x) \in \phi(A)$
 $\Rightarrow B \subseteq \phi(A)$

Since ϕ is 1-1, we know by the claim that $|A| = |\phi(A)| = |B|$ \square

NOTE: This is not true for all Homomorphisms!

Ex.) $\phi: \mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow D_6$ defined by $\phi(a) = r^a$ is a Homomorphism.
 $|S| = 2$ in D_6 , but $\nexists \bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_3$ s.t. $|\bar{a}| = 2$.

3.) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be an isomorphism. Prove: G is Abelian iff H is Abelian.

Pf: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be an isomorphism.

LEMMA: $\phi^{-1}: H \rightarrow G$ is an isomorphism.

Pf: We know $\phi^{-1}: H \rightarrow G$ is 1-1 & Onto, since $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ is a bijection.

Let $a, b \in H$

$\Rightarrow \exists! x, y \in G$ s.t. $\phi(x) = a \wedge \phi(y) = b$

$\Rightarrow \phi^{-1}(ab) = \phi^{-1}(\phi(x)\phi(y)) = \phi^{-1}(\phi(xy)) = xy = \phi^{-1}(a)\phi^{-1}(b)$

$\therefore \phi^{-1}: H \rightarrow G$ is an isomorphism

(\Rightarrow): Assume G is Abelian. Let $x, y \in G$

$\Rightarrow \phi(x)\phi(y) = \phi(xy) = \phi(yx) = \phi(y)\phi(x)$

$\Rightarrow H = \phi(G)$ is Abelian, since ϕ is Onto.

(\Leftarrow): Assume H is Abelian. Let $h, k \in H$

$\Rightarrow \phi^{-1}(h)\phi^{-1}(k) = \phi^{-1}(hk) = \phi^{-1}(kh) = \phi^{-1}(k)\phi^{-1}(h)$ (by the lemma)

$\Rightarrow G = \phi^{-1}(H)$ is Abelian, since ϕ^{-1} is Onto.

$\therefore G$ is Abelian iff H is Abelian \square

4.) Prove: $\mathbb{R}^* \cong \mathbb{C}^*$

Pf: Compare the solutions of $x^4 = 1$ in $\mathbb{R}^* \ \& \ \mathbb{C}^*$

\mathbb{R}^* : $x^4 = 1$ has 2 solutions, ± 1

$$\text{Order}(1) = 1 \quad \text{Order}(-1) = 2$$

\mathbb{C}^* : $x^4 = 1$ has 4 solutions, $\pm 1, \pm i$

$$\text{Order}(1) = 1 \quad \text{Order}(-1) = 2$$

$$\text{Order}(i) = 4 \quad \text{Order}(-i) = 4$$

Since \mathbb{R}^* has no order-4 elements, we know $\mathbb{R}^* \not\cong \mathbb{C}^*$ \square

5.) Prove: $\mathbb{R} \not\cong \mathbb{Q}$

Pf: \mathbb{R} is Uncountably infinite & \mathbb{Q} is Countably infinite.

\Rightarrow $\#$ a bijection between \mathbb{R} & \mathbb{Q} .

$\therefore \mathbb{R} \not\cong \mathbb{Q}$ \square

6.) Prove: $\mathbb{Z} \not\cong \mathbb{Q}$

Pf: We prove a Lemma for isomorphic Groups.

LEMMA: iff $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ is an isomorphism, then G is cyclic iff H is cyclic.

Pf: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be an isomorphism.

(\Rightarrow): Assume G is cyclic.

$$\Rightarrow \exists a \in G \text{ s.t. } G = \langle a \rangle = \{a^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi(G) = \phi(\langle a \rangle) = \{\phi(a^k) : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{\phi(a)^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \langle \phi(a) \rangle$$

$\therefore H = \phi(G) = \langle \phi(a) \rangle$ is cyclic, since ϕ is onto.

(\Leftarrow): Assume H is cyclic.

$$\Rightarrow \exists b \in H \text{ s.t. } H = \langle b \rangle = \{b^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi^{-1}(H) = \phi^{-1}(\langle b \rangle) = \{\phi^{-1}(b^k) : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \{\phi^{-1}(b)^k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \langle \phi^{-1}(b) \rangle$$

$\therefore G = \phi^{-1}(H) = \langle \phi^{-1}(b) \rangle$ is cyclic, since ϕ^{-1} is onto.

CLAIM: \mathbb{Q} is NOT cyclic.

Pf: Suppose \mathbb{Q} is cyclic.

$$\Rightarrow \exists r \in \mathbb{Q} \text{ s.t. } \mathbb{Q} = \langle r \rangle = \{\dots, -2r, -r, 0, r, 2r, \dots\}$$

$\Rightarrow r/2 \in \mathbb{Q}$, since r is rational

But $r/2 \notin \langle r \rangle$, so $\mathbb{Q} \neq \langle r \rangle$, a contradiction.

$\therefore \mathbb{Q}$ is NOT cyclic.

By the Lemma & Claim, we know $\mathbb{Z} \not\cong \mathbb{Q}$, since $\mathbb{Z} = \langle 1 \rangle$ is cyclic. \square

13.) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be a Homomorphism. Prove: $\phi(G) \leq H$

Pf: Let $\phi: G \rightarrow H$ be a Homomorphism.

i.) $1_H = \phi(1_G) \in \phi(G)$

ii.) Let $a, b \in \phi(G)$

$\Rightarrow \exists x, y \in G$ s.t. $\phi(x) = a \wedge \phi(y) = b$

$\Rightarrow ab^{-1} = \phi(x)\phi(y)^{-1} = \phi(x)\phi(y^{-1}) = \phi(xy^{-1}) \in \phi(G)$, since $xy^{-1} \in G$,

$\therefore \phi(G) \leq H$ \square

PROVE: If ϕ is an injective Homomorphism, then $G \cong \phi(G)$.

Pf: Assume ϕ is an injective Homomorphism. Let $h \in \phi(G)$

$\Rightarrow \exists g \in G$ s.t. $\phi(g) = h$

$\Rightarrow \phi: G \rightarrow \phi(G)$ is Onto

$\Rightarrow \phi: G \rightarrow \phi(G)$ is an isomorphism.

$\therefore G \cong \phi(G)$ \square

15.) Prove: $\pi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $\pi((x, y)) = x \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ is a Homomorphism.
Find $\text{Ker}(\pi)$.

Pf: Define $\pi: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\pi((x, y)) = x \forall (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Let $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$\Rightarrow \pi((a, b) + (c, d)) = \pi((a+c, b+d)) = a+c = \phi((a, b)) + \phi((c, d))$

$\therefore \pi$ is a Homomorphism. \square

$\text{Ker}(\pi) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \pi((x, y)) = 0\} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x = 0\} = \{(0, y) : y \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Sec 1.7 # 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

For #14-17, let the group G act on itself.

14.) Prove: If G is NOT abelian, then $g \circ a = ag$ is NOT a Group Action.

Pf: Assume G is NOT abelian. Let $g \circ a = ag \forall a, g \in G$

$\Rightarrow \exists g_1, g_2 \in G$ s.t. $g_1 g_2 \neq g_2 g_1$. Let $a \in G$

$\Rightarrow a(g_1 g_2) \neq a(g_2 g_1)$

$\Rightarrow g_1 \circ (g_2 \circ a) = g_1 \circ (ag_2) = a(g_2 g_1) \neq a(g_1 g_2) = (g_1 g_2) \circ a$

$\therefore g \circ a = ag$ is NOT a Group Action. \square

15.) Prove: $g \circ a = ag^{-1}$ is a Group Action.

Pf: Let $g \circ a = ag^{-1} \forall a, g \in G$

i.) Let $a \in G$

$\Rightarrow 1_G \circ a = a1_G^{-1} = a$

ii.) Let $g_1, g_2, a \in G$.

$\Rightarrow g_1 \circ (g_2 \circ a) = g_1 \circ (ag_2^{-1}) = (ag_2^{-1})g_1^{-1} = a(g_1 g_2)^{-1} = (g_1 g_2) \circ a$

$\therefore g \circ a = ag^{-1}$ is a Group Action. \square

16.) Prove: $g \circ a = gag^{-1}$ is a Group Action (Left Conjugation).

Pf: Let $g \circ a = gag^{-1} \forall a, g \in G$

i.) Let $a \in G$

$\Rightarrow 1_G \circ a = 1_G a 1_G^{-1} = a$

ii.) Let $g_1, g_2, a \in G$

$\Rightarrow g_1 \circ (g_2 \circ a) = g_1 \circ (g_2 a g_2^{-1}) = g_1 (g_2 a g_2^{-1}) g_1^{-1} = (g_1 g_2) a (g_1 g_2)^{-1} = (g_1 g_2) \circ a$

$\therefore g \circ a = gag^{-1}$ is a Group Action \square

17.) Let $g \circ x = gxg^{-1} \quad \forall g, x \in G$ (Left Conjugation)

a.) For a fixed $g \in G$, prove Left Conjugation is an isomorphism from G to G .

Pf: Define $\Phi_g: G \rightarrow G$ by $\Phi_g(x) = g \circ x = gxg^{-1} \quad \forall x \in G$

i.) Assume $\Phi_g(x) = \Phi_g(y)$

$$\Rightarrow gxg^{-1} = gyg^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y$$

ii.) Let $x \in G$

$$\Rightarrow g^{-1}xg \in G$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_g(g^{-1}xg) = g(g^{-1}xg)g^{-1} = x \in G$$

iii.) Let $x, y \in G$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_g(xy) = g(xy)g^{-1} = (gxg^{-1})(gyg^{-1}) = \Phi_g(x)\Phi_g(y)$$

$\therefore \Phi_g: G \rightarrow G$ is an isomorphism \square

b.) Prove: $|x| = |gxg^{-1}| \quad \forall x \in G$

Pf: Let $x \in G$. Φ_g is an isomorphism, so $|x| = |\Phi_g(x)| = |gxg^{-1}| \quad \square$

c.) Prove: $|A| = |gAg^{-1}| \quad \forall A \subseteq G$

Pf: Let $A \subseteq G$. Then $a \in A$ iff $\Phi_g(a) \in \Phi_g(A) = \{gag^{-1} : a \in A\} = gAg^{-1}$
 $\therefore |A| = |\Phi_g(A)| = |gAg^{-1}|$, since Φ_g is bijective. \square

18.) Let a group H act on a set A . Define a relation \sim by $a \sim b$ iff $a = h \circ b$ f.s. $h \in H$.
Prove: \sim is an Equivalence Relation on A .

Pf: Define \sim by $a \sim b$ iff $a = h \circ b$ f.s. $h \in H$

i.) REFLEXIVITY: Let $a \in A$

$$\Rightarrow 1_H \circ a = a, \text{ so } a \sim a$$

ii.) SYMMETRY: Assume $a \sim b$

$$\Rightarrow a = h \circ b \text{ f.s. } h \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow h^{-1} \circ a = h^{-1} \circ (h \circ b) = (h^{-1}h) \circ b = 1_H \circ b = b$$

$$\Rightarrow b \sim a$$

iii.) TRANSITIVITY: Assume $a \sim b \wedge b \sim c$

$$\Rightarrow a = h_1 \circ b \wedge b = h_2 \circ c \text{ f.s. } h_1, h_2 \in H$$

$$\Rightarrow a = h_1 \circ (h_2 \circ c) = (h_1 h_2) \circ c$$

$$\Rightarrow a \sim c$$

$\therefore \sim$ is an Equivalence Relation on $A \quad \square$