
Abstract Algebra III

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Sylow problems

5 kinds of Sylow problems on qual

① give possible values for n_p for $p \mid \#G$

- be able to do this

- show your work

- $n_p \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

 - if $\#G = p^a \cdot m$ then $n_p \mid m$

- $\gcd(p, m) = 1$

for parts b) c) d)...

3 solving strategies

② counting

not always the prompt, but often

"Show that either P_p or P_q is normal"

Suppose both are not normal

count elements in p -Sylows

q -Sylows

→ too many elements contradiction

$n_p | m$ often if $n_p = m$ counting will work

③ take a quotient to a smaller gp

often: already know some subgp is normal

look at $\overline{G} = G/N \leftarrow$ smaller gp

maybe get a normal
Sylow in there

because fewer poss for
 n_p

Say $Q \triangleleft \bar{G}$ Q a Sylow p -subgrp of \bar{G}

then $H = \text{complete preimage of } Q \text{ in } G$
is normal in G by 4th isom
theorem

then maybe H itself has a normal

Sylow p -subgrp P

$P \text{ char } H, H \triangleleft G \Rightarrow P \triangleleft G$

④ normalizer in normalizer


Suppose that \mathcal{Q} is not normal

$$\mathcal{Q} \in \text{Syl}_q(G)$$

\leadsto get $\# N_G(\mathcal{Q}) \neq G$

maybe $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$ and $P \not\leq N_G(\mathcal{Q})$

get this by
 $n_p = 1$
in here



HWS #5 $\#G = 3^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$

a) $n_7 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$

$n_7 \mid 3^3 \cdot 13$

$n_7 = 1$ OR $3^3 \cdot 13$

big! $\#N_G(P_7) = 7$ i.e. $N_G(P_7) = P_7$

if $P_7 \not\trianglelefteq G$ then P_7 is not normal in any subgroup of G except P_7 itself.

divisors

<u>1</u>	3	3^2	3^3
13	$3 \cdot 13$	$3^2 \cdot 13$	<u>$3^3 \cdot 13$</u>
	3 · 6	2 · 6	1 · 1 = 1

Theorem

$[G : N_G(P)] = n_p = \frac{\#G}{\#N_G(P)}$
if $P \in \text{Syl}_p(G)$

$$n_{13} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$$

$$n_{13} \mid 3^3 \cdot 7$$

$$n_{13} = 1, 27$$

$$\#N_G(P_{13}) = \#G$$

(if normal)

divisors

①, ~~3~~, ~~3²~~, ③³
~~7~~, ~~3·7~~, ~~9·7~~, ~~27·7~~
-4·7 ≡ -28 ≡ -2

b) $P_{13} \in \text{Syl}_{13}(G)$ if P_{13} not normal then

$N_G(P_{13})$ has a normal Sylow 7-subgp

For this, compute $n_7(H)$ if $\#H = 7 \cdot 13$
 $\Rightarrow n_7(H) = 1,$

Restarted later, missing beginning
c) Let $P_7 \triangleleft N_G(P_{13})$ be the Sylow 7-subgrp
of $N_G(P_{13})$ then $P_7 \in \text{Syl}_7(G)$

because $\#P_7 = 7$ and $\#G = 3^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$

(any $H < G$ with $\#H = 7$ is a Sylow
7-subgrp of G)

Note that if $H < G$ and $P \in \text{Syl}_p(H)$
then P might not be in $\text{Syl}_p(G)$

$$\text{if } p=3 \quad \#H=3 \cdot 7 \quad \#G=3^2 \cdot 7$$

c) If G has a normal Sylow 13-subgrp, done
Otherwise $P_7 \triangleleft N_G(P_{13})$ $P_7 \in \text{Syl}_7(N_G(P_{13}))$
is also a Sylow 7-subgrp of G .

Because $P_7 \triangleleft N_G(P_{13})$

$$\Rightarrow N_G(P_{13}) \leq N_G(P_7)$$

\uparrow
size $7 \cdot 13$

\uparrow size ~~7~~ OR $3^3 \cdot 7 \cdot 13$

$\Rightarrow P_7 \triangleleft G$
done

possibilities for $\#N_G(P_7)$?

either $N_G(P_7) = G$ ($n_7 = 1$)

OR $\#N_G(P_7) = 7$ ($n_7 = 3^3 \cdot 13$)

Note that $\underbrace{P \triangleleft H} \Rightarrow H < N_G(P)$

$$\forall h \in H \quad hPh^{-1} = P \quad \{g \in G : gPg^{-1} = P\}$$

this gives a contradiction somehow

(5) miscellaneous

$$- P, Q \in \text{Syl}_p(G) \quad P \cap Q \neq 1$$

$$H = P \cap Q \quad \text{maybe } H \triangleleft G?$$

Example

HW 5 #4c)

Fermat's Little Theorem

either if $\gcd(a, p) = 1$ then $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

or $a^p \equiv a \pmod{p}$

$\text{Aut}(C_p) \cong C_{p-1}$ \curvearrowright cyclic gp of order $p-1$

\curvearrowleft cyclic gp of order p

It is FALSE that $\text{Aut}(C_n)$ is cyclic
in general.)

Should be able to compute
this gp for small n

$$\text{Aut}(C_n) \cong ((\mathbb{Z}/n)^{\times}, \times)$$

$$\text{Example } ((\mathbb{Z}/8)^{\times}, \times) \cong C_2 \times C_2 \cong \text{Aut}(C_8)$$

That's all for today!

Midterm on Friday