
Abstract Algebra III

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HW4 #1b)

a) If $A \trianglelefteq G$, $B \trianglelefteq G$, $G/A, G/B$ both solvable then

$G/(A \cap B)$ is solvable

b) G has a unique smallest subgp $G^{(\infty)}$

s.t. $G^{(\infty)} \triangleleft G$ and $G/G^{(\infty)}$ solvable

Suppose not.

i) G is finite, G has finitely many subgps total

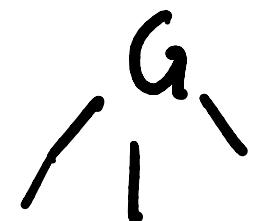
Not algebra: set $\{f_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}\}$ has no smallest element

→ because of this, the way in which b) can fail
is by having 2 subgps A, B both normal
with solvable quotient, neither has a subgp

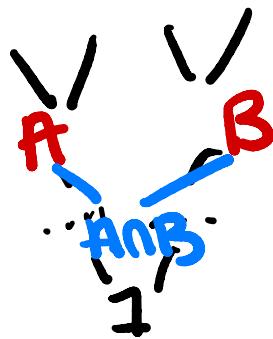
with these props (normal w/ solvable quotient)

and $A \not\trianglelefteq B$, $B \not\trianglelefteq A$

i.e. "two local minima"



lattice of subgps of G



$\Rightarrow A \cap B$ is normal with solvable
quotient by a)

$A \cap B \subset A$ $A \cap B \subset B$ contradiction

Another way to see this (not by contradiction)

Let $G^{(\infty)} = \bigcap_{A \triangleleft G} A$

G/A solvable



this is a finite
intersection

by a) this is
normal w/
solvable quotient
and it contains all
such gps.

HW 4 #3

Lemma: If $G = H \times K$ then $\mathcal{Z}(G) = \mathcal{Z}(H) \times \mathcal{Z}(K)$.

Proof: Let $(h, k) \in \mathcal{Z}(H) \times \mathcal{Z}(K)$

Let $(h_1, k_1) \in G$

$$(h, k) \cdot (h_1, k_1) = (hh_1, kk_1) = (h, h, k, k) = (h, k)(h, k)$$

so $(h, k) \in \mathcal{Z}(G)$

Let $g \in Z(G)$ so $g = (h, k)$ $h \in H$, $k \in K$

Let $h_1 \in H$, $k_1 \in K \rightsquigarrow (h_1, k_1) \in G$

because $g \in Z(G)$, $(h, k)(h_1, k_1) = (h_1, k_1)(h, k)$

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$$(hh_1, kk_1)$$

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$$(h, h, k, k)$$

this holds iff $hh_1 = h_1h$ and $kk_1 = k_1k$

$$\Rightarrow h \in Z(H)$$

$$\Rightarrow k \in Z(K)$$

$\Rightarrow g = (h, k) \in Z(H) \times Z(K)$

~~#3 b) Understanding solvability~~

~ about understanding true facts about
solvable gps

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key element for Christelle

Understanding the proof of the fact:

If $N \trianglelefteq G$ and $N, G/N$ are solvable then
 G is solvable.

Recall that G is solvable if we can
 $1 \trianglelefteq G_1 \trianglelefteq G_2 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq G_r = G$

this alone can
always be done
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abelian

and

G_i/G_{i-1} is abelian

important extra
assumption

$$\overline{G_i}/\overline{G_{i-1}} = (G_i/N)$$

$$(G_{i-1}/N) \cong G_i/G_{i-1} \text{ 3rd}$$

$$1 \trianglelefteq N_1 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq N \trianglelefteq G_1 \trianglelefteq G_2 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq G$$

↑
abelian quotients

$$\overline{G_i} = G_i/N \quad \begin{matrix} \text{abelian} \\ \text{quotients} \end{matrix}$$

by 4th isom
on G_i

$$\overline{G}_{i-1} \trianglelefteq \overline{G}_i$$

iff

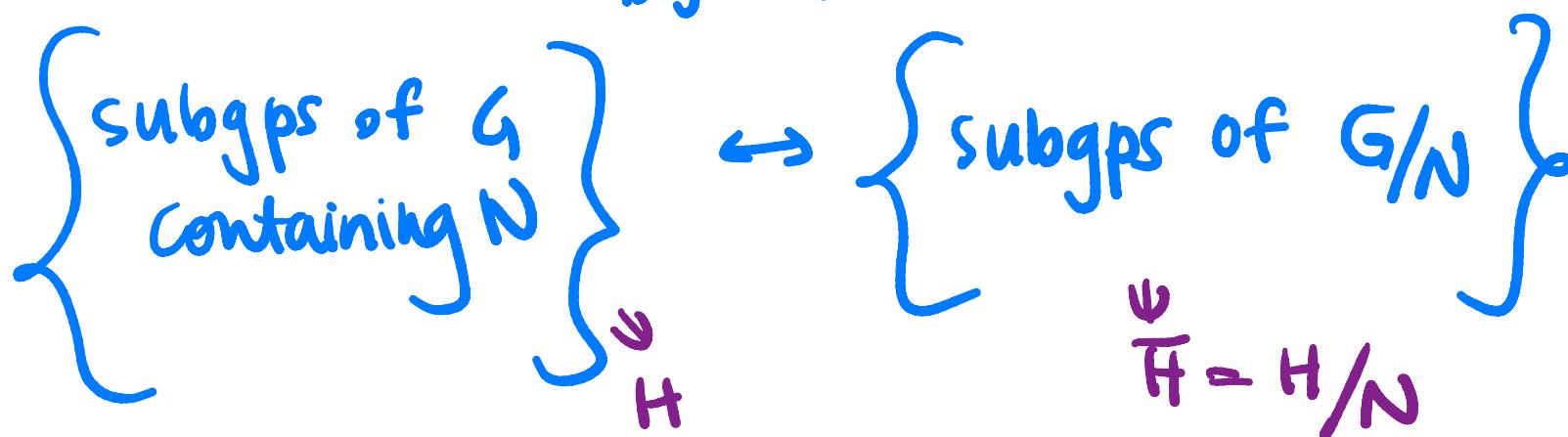
$$G_{i-1} \trianglelefteq G_i$$

$$1 \trianglelefteq \overline{G}_1 \trianglelefteq \overline{G}_2 \trianglelefteq \dots \trianglelefteq G/N$$

4th isomorphism thm for gps

Check:
 $N \triangleleft G \Rightarrow N \triangleleft H$

bijection



and $\bar{H} \triangleleft G/N$ iff $H \triangleleft G$

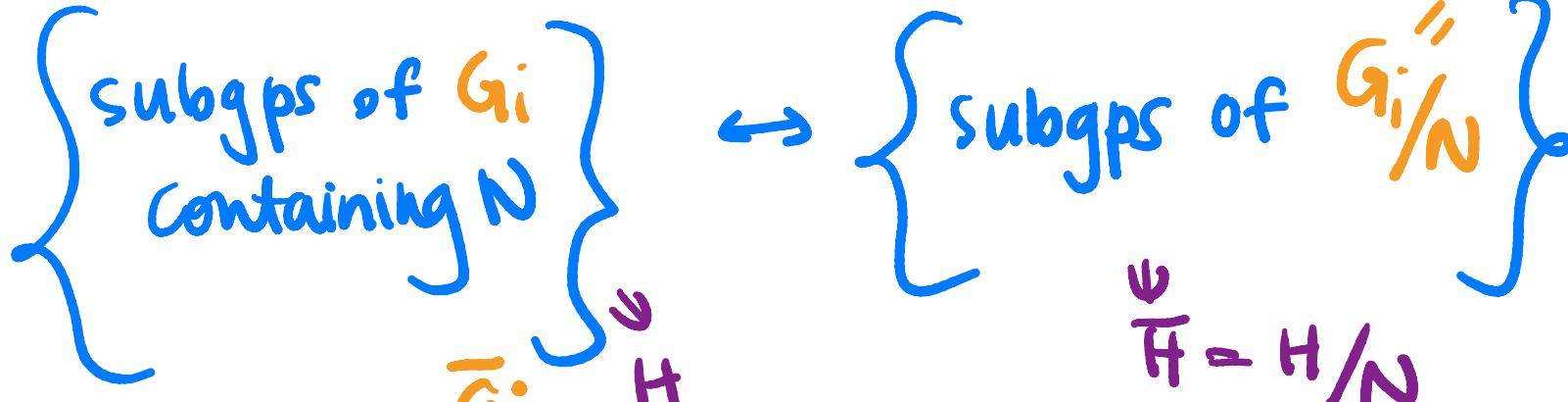
Also! by 3rd isom

$$G/H \cong (G/N)/(H/N)$$

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and

$$H \trianglelefteq G_i/N \iff H \trianglelefteq G_i$$

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HW4 # (a)

G/A solvable
 G/B solvable

$1 \triangleleft \bar{A}_1 \triangleleft \bar{A}_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G/A$

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$A \cap B \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft A \triangleleft A_1 \triangleleft A_2 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G$



use 2nd isom theorem
a subgp of a solvable gp is solvable

$B \triangleleft B_1 \triangleleft \dots \triangleleft G$

too long

That's all for today!