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#13  $\mathbb{R}^*/\mathbb{R}^{**}$  has two cosets

$\mathbb{R}^{**}$  and  $-\mathbb{R}^{**}$  (Positive and negative real numbers).

Thus  $|\mathbb{R}^*/\mathbb{R}^{**}| = 2$ , hence isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ .

#21 If  $Z(G) \neq e$  in  $G$  then

$G/Z(G)$  and  $Z(G)$  are both of prime order, hence cyclic.

But then by Theorem 7.38,  $G$  is abelian,

So  $Z(G) = G$ .

#22 Let  $Ny_1, \dots, Ny_n$  be generators of  $G/N$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  be generators of  $N$ .

Every  $g \in G$  belongs to

$N \langle y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle$ , so  $g = n y_1^{\pm 1} \dots y_n^{\pm 1}$ .

But  $n = x_{j_1}^{\pm 1} \dots x_{j_\ell}^{\pm 1}$ . So

$g = x_{j_1}^{\pm 1} \dots x_{j_\ell}^{\pm 1} y_1^{\pm 1} \dots y_n^{\pm 1} \in \langle x_1, \dots, x_m, y_1, \dots, y_n \rangle$

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(a) The set of all commutators

$S = \{aba^{-1}b^{-1}\}$  is invariant under conjugation

$gSg^{-1} = S$ . Hence  $G' = \langle S \rangle$  is also

invariant under conjugation. Hence  $G'$  is normal.

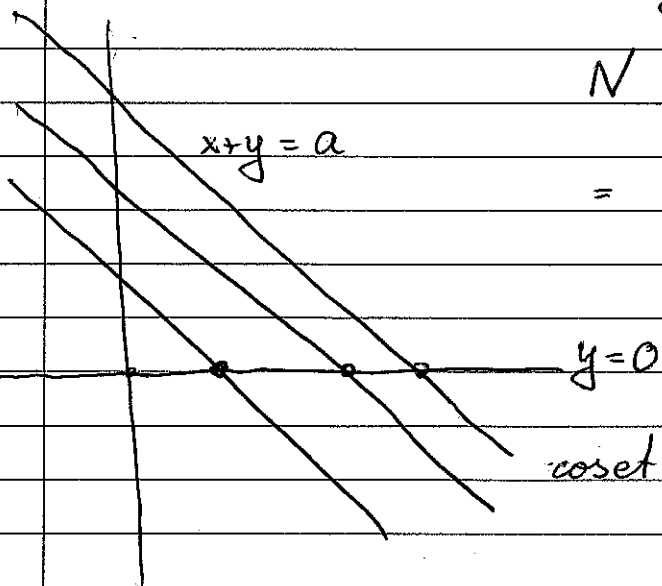
(b) Theorem 7.37. For any  $a, b \in G$   
 $ab^{-1}a^{-1}b^{-1} \in G'$ . So  $G/G'$  is abelian.

#24 (a)  $(x, -x) + (y, -y) = (x+y, -(x+y))$   
 $-(x, -x) = (-x, -(-x))$

(b)  $G/N$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ . To

prove this note that every coset

intersects the line  $y=0$  at one point



$$\begin{aligned} N + (x, 0) + N + (x', 0) &= \\ &= N + (x+x') \end{aligned}$$

isomorphism

(homomorphism  
cosets and bijection)

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# 26.

Let  $\phi_g \in \text{Inn } G$  be defined by

$$\phi_g(a) = g a g^{-1}$$

Let  $f: G \rightarrow \text{Inn } G$  be defined

by  $f(g) = \phi_g$ . Then

$$\phi_{gh}(a) = gh a (gh)^{-1} = g (h a h^{-1}) g^{-1} = \phi_g \circ \phi_h(a).$$

$f$  is a surjective homomorphism.

$$\text{Ker } f = \{ g \in G \mid \underset{\substack{\updownarrow \\ ga = ag}}{g a g^{-1} = a} \forall a \in G \} = Z(G).$$

Now the statement follows from  
the first isomorphism theorem.

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# 8

$f$  is well defined. Indeed  $x \equiv y \pmod{n}$

$$\Rightarrow n \mid x-y \Rightarrow k \mid x-y$$

$$\begin{aligned} f([x]_n + [y]_n) &= f([x+y]_n) = [x+y]_k = \\ &= [x]_k + [y]_k = f([x]_n) + f([y]_n) \end{aligned}$$

$\text{Ker } f = \{0, k, 2k, \dots, (p-1)k\}$  where  $p = \frac{n}{k}$   
cyclic group of order  $p$ .

$$\#10 \text{ (a) } K = \{a \in G \mid a^2 = e\}$$

$$a \in K, b \in K \Rightarrow (ab)^2 = abab = a^2b^2 = e \Rightarrow ab \in K$$

$$a \in K, (a^{-1})^2 = (a^2)^{-1} = e \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in K$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } c = a^2, d = b^2 &\Rightarrow cd = (ab)^2 \\ c = a^2 &\Rightarrow c^{-1} = (a^{-1})^2 \Rightarrow c^{-1} \in H \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad \text{Then } f(xy) = (xy)^2 = x^2y^2 = f(x)f(y)$$

By construction  $\text{Im } f = H, \text{Ker } f = K$

So  $G/K \cong H$  by the first isomorphism

theorem.

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#11. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{**}$  given

by  $f(a) = |a|$ .  $\text{Ker } f = \{\pm 1\}$ ,  $f$  is surjective.

Use first isomorphism theorem.

#17.

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a' & b' \\ 0 & 1 & c' \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a+a' & b+b'+ac' \\ 0 & 1 & c+c' \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -a & -b+ac \\ 0 & 1 & -c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in Z(G)$  if and only if

$$b+b'+ac' = b+b'+a'c \quad \text{for any}$$

$$a', b', c', \text{ i.e. } ac' = a'c \quad \forall a', c' \Rightarrow a=c=0$$

$$C = Z(G) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & b \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \mid b \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}$$

(c)  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{Q}$

$$f \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right) = (a, c) \quad (\text{homomorphism})$$

by (a)

$\text{Ker } f = C$ . Use first isomorphism

theorem.

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#21 (a)  $A_3 = \langle (123) \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$

$$|S_3/A_3| = 2 \Rightarrow S_3/A_3 \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$$

(b)  $f(N)$  is abelian

$N$  is an abelian <sup>normal</sup> subgroup of  $G$ ,  $G/N$  is also abelian

~~Let~~  $f: G \rightarrow H$  be a homomorphism, and

$\bar{f}: G/N \rightarrow f(G)/f(N)$  be

~~is~~ defined by  $\bar{f}(N\alpha) = f(N)f(x)$

$\bar{f}$  is ~~is~~ surjective. So  $f(N)$  is

abelian and  $f(G)/f(N)$  is abelian

So  $f(G)$  is metabelian.

(c) Let  $K \subset G$  be a subgroup, and

$G$  be metabelian. So there is  $N \subset G$

normal abelian such that  $G/N$  is abelian.

Put  $N' = KN$ . Then  $N'$  is normal

abelian in  $K$  and  $\frac{K}{N'} \cong \frac{KN}{N}$  (second iso. thm)

But  $\frac{KN}{N}$  is a subgroup of  $G/N$

Hence it is abelian. So  $K$  is metabelian.