

Answer on Question #44359 – Math - Abstract Algebra

Problem.

Let $G = S_4$, $H = A_4$ and $K = \{1; (1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)\}$.

- i) Check that $H/K = \langle (1\ 2\ 3)H \rangle$
- ii) Check that K is normal in H . (Hint: For each $h \in H, h \notin K$, check that $hK = Kh$.)
- iii) Check whether $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4)H$ is the inverse of $(1\ 3\ 4\ 2)H$ in the group S_4/H .

Remark.

The statement isn't correctly formatted. I suppose that the correct statement is "Let $G = S_4, H = A_4$ and $K = \{1; (1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)\}$."

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Solution.

$$H = \left\{ 1; (1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 4\ 3); (2\ 3\ 4); (2\ 4\ 3) \right\}$$

$$i) (1\ 2\ 3)H = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4)(2\ 3); \\ (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 2); \\ (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3)(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(2\ 4\ 3) \end{array} \right\} = \{(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 3\ 4); (2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 3\ 2); \dots\}$$

There are no class in H/K that has 5 different elements (it has at most 4 elements).

ii) We will check that for all $h \in H, h \notin K$, check that $hK = Kh$:

- $(1\ 2\ 3)H = \{(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 3\ 4); (2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4\ 2)\}$ and
 $H(1\ 2\ 3) = \{(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 2\ 3); (2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 3\ 4)\}$.
Hence $(1\ 2\ 3)H = H(1\ 2\ 3)$.
- $(1\ 2\ 4)H = \{(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3\ 2); (2\ 3\ 4)\}$ and
 $H(1\ 2\ 4) = \{(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 2\ 4)\} = \{(1\ 2\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3\ 2)\}$.
Hence $(1\ 2\ 4)H = H(1\ 2\ 4)$.
- $(1\ 3\ 2)H = \{(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 3\ 2)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 3\ 2); (2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 4\ 3)\}$ and
 $H(1\ 3\ 2) = \{(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 3\ 2)\} = \{(1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 4\ 3); (2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4)\}$.
Hence $(1\ 3\ 2)H = H(1\ 3\ 2)$.
- $(1\ 3\ 4)H = \{(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 3\ 4)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 3\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 3\ 4)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 4\ 2); (2\ 4\ 3)\}$ and
 $H(1\ 3\ 4) = \{(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 3\ 4)\} = \{(1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 2); (2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3)\}$.
Hence $(1\ 3\ 4)H = H(1\ 3\ 4)$.
- $(1\ 4\ 2)H = \{(1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 4\ 2)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 2)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 4\ 2)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 4\ 2); (2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3)\}$ and
 $H(1\ 4\ 2) = \{(1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 2)\} = \{(1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 3); (2\ 4\ 3)\}$.
Hence $(1\ 4\ 2)H = H(1\ 4\ 2)$.
- $(1\ 4\ 3)H = \{(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4\ 3)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 3)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (1\ 4\ 3)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2)\}$ and

$$H(1\ 4\ 3) = \{(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 3)\} = \{(1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 2\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4)\}.$$

$$\text{Hence } (1\ 4\ 3)H = H(1\ 4\ 3).$$

- $(2\ 3\ 4)H = \{(2\ 3\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (2\ 3\ 4)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2\ 4)\}$ and

$$H(2\ 3\ 4) = \{(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(2\ 3\ 4)\} = \{(2\ 3\ 4); (1\ 2\ 4); (1\ 3\ 2); (1\ 4\ 3)\}.$$

$$\text{Hence } (2\ 3\ 4)H = H(2\ 3\ 4).$$

- $(2\ 4\ 3)H = \{(2\ 4\ 3); (2\ 4\ 3)(1\ 2)(3\ 4); (2\ 4\ 3)(1\ 3)(2\ 4); (2\ 4\ 3)(1\ 4)(2\ 3)\} = \{(2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4\ 2); (1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 3\ 4)\}$ and

$$H(2\ 4\ 3) = \{(2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2)(3\ 4)(2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 3)(2\ 4)(2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 4)(2\ 3)(2\ 4\ 3)\} = \{(2\ 4\ 3); (1\ 2\ 3); (1\ 3\ 4); (1\ 4\ 2)\}.$$

$$\text{Hence } (2\ 4\ 3)H = H(2\ 4\ 3).$$

Therefore K is normal in H .

iii) $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4)H(1\ 3\ 4\ 2)H = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4)(1\ 3\ 4\ 2)H = (1\ 4\ 3)H \neq H$. Therefore $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4)H$ isn't an inverse to $(1\ 3\ 4\ 2)H$.