

## Answer on Question #81004 – Math – Abstract Algebra

### Question

Let  $G$  be a group and  $H \leq G$ . Prove that the only right coset of  $H$  in  $G$  that is a subgroup of  $G$  is  $H$  itself.

### Solution

By definition,  $Hg = \{hg : h \in H\}$  is the right coset of  $H$  in  $G$  with respect to  $g \in G$ . Assume that  $Hg$  is a subgroup.

According to the definition of a group,  $1 \in Hg$ . Therefore,  $g^{-1} = 1 * g^{-1} = h_1 g g^{-1} = h_1 \in H$ . According to the definition of a group,  $g = (g^{-1})^{-1} \in H$ , and for this reason  $Hg = H$  (in this case,  $hg \in H$  and  $h = (hg^{-1})g \in Hg$ , i. e.  $Hg \subset H$  and  $H \subset Hg$ ).

### Answer

If  $Hg$  is a subgroup, then  $g \in H$  and  $Hg = H$ .