

3. But the no of ones in the last eqn for a is the centre of the group, and a subgroup of the group, which therefore divides the order of the group. We have that $|Z(G)| > 3$ and $|Z(G)| \mid |G| = 9 \therefore |Z(G)| = 3$ or 9 . If $|Z(G)| = 9$ then the group is Abelian. If $|Z(G)| = 3$, then the quotient group $G/Z(G)$ has prime order ($= 3$) and so is cyclic. The cosets of $Z(G)$ are of the form $a^n Z(G)$, $n = 0, 1, 2$ and any element of G is of the form $a^n z_i$. Consider $a^n z_i, a^m z_j \in G$
 $a^n z_i a^m z_j = a^n a^m z_i z_j$ since a, z_i commute with every element of G
 $= a^{n+m} z_i z_j$ since $\langle a \rangle$ is cyclic hence Abelian by 1st property
 $= a^m a^n z_j z_i$ by 1st property
 $= a^m z_j a^n z_i$
 i.e. $a^n z_i a^m z_j = a^m z_j a^n z_i$
 thus G is Abelian as stated (and the order of $Z(G) = 9$)

ii) False. D_4 has order $8 = 2^3$ and 2 is a prime but D_4 is not Abelian since for example

$$r, s \in D_4 \\ rs = rs \text{ but } sr = r^{-1}s = r^3s \\ \text{and } rs \neq r^3s \therefore D_4 \text{ is not Abelian.}$$

iii) False. Suppose $p = 3, q = 5$ so $|G| = pq = 15$. G has subgroups order 3, 5 by Sylow's theorems.

Divisors of $|G|$ are 1, 3, 5, 15

$p = 3$ no of Sylow 3 subgroups, $n_3 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ and $n_3 \mid |G| \Rightarrow n_3 = 1$. Call this subgroup H_1 .

$q = 5$ no of Sylow 5 subgroups $n_5 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ and $n_5 \mid |G| \Rightarrow n_5 = 1$. Call this subgroup H_2 .

Each Sylow subgroup is unique: normal

$$|G| = |H_1| \times |H_2| = 3 \cdot 5 = 15$$

H_1, H_2 are coprime

$$\therefore \phi: H_1 \times H_2 \rightarrow G$$

(h_1, h_2) is an isomorphism

but H_1 is cyclic (since $|H_1| = 3$, prime)

$$\therefore H_1 \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$$

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