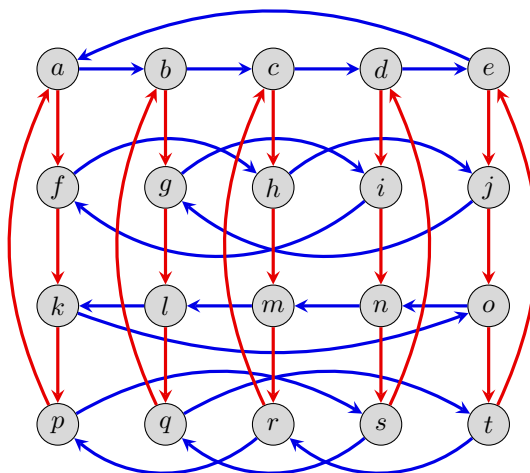


Read the following, which can all be found either in the textbook or on the course website.

- Chapters 7 of *Visual Group Theory* (VGT).
- VGT Exercises 7.3, 7.7–7.10, 7.12, 7.13, 7.17–7.20, 7.24–7.27, 7.30, 7.32–7.35.

Write up solutions to the following exercises.

1. Let G be the group whose Cayley diagram is shown below, and suppose e is the identity element. Consider the subgroups $H = \langle a \rangle = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ and $K = \langle j \rangle = \{e, j, o, t\}$.



Carry out the following steps for both of these subgroups.

- (a) Write G as a disjoint union of the subgroup's left cosets.
 - (b) Write G as a disjoint union of the subgroup's right cosets.
 - (c) Compute the normalizer of the subgroup.
 - (d) If the subgroup (call it N) is indeed normal, then compute the quotient G/N , draw its Cayley diagram, and label the nodes appropriately.
2. All of the following statements are *false*. For each one, exhibit an explicit counter-example, and justify your reasoning. Assume that each $H_i \triangleleft G_i$ for $i = 1, 2$.
 - (a) If every proper subgroup H of a group G is cyclic, then G is cyclic.
 - (b) If $K \triangleleft H \triangleleft G$, then $K \triangleleft G$.
 - (c) If $G_1 \cong G_2$ and $H_1 \cong H_2$, then $G_1/H_1 \cong G_2/H_2$.
 - (d) If $G_1 \cong G_2$ and $G_1/H_1 \cong G_2/H_2$, then $H_1 \cong H_2$.
 - (e) If $H_1 \cong H_2$ and $G_1/H_1 \cong G_2/H_2$, then $G_1 \cong G_2$.
 3. Prove the following “subgroup criterion”, which can be very useful when trying to show that a subset is indeed a subgroup: A nonempty subset H of a group G is a subgroup if and only if $xy^{-1} \in H$ holds for all $x, y \in H$.

4. Let A be a subset of a group G . The *centralizer* of A , denoted $C_G(A)$, is the set of all elements that commute with everything in A :

$$C_G(A) = \{g \in G \mid ga = ag, \forall a \in A\}.$$

- (a) Prove that $C_G(A)$ is a subgroup of G .
- (b) If A is additionally a subgroup of G , prove that $C_G(A) \triangleleft N_G(A)$.
5. Let H be a subgroup of an abelian group G . Prove that H and G/H are both abelian.
6. Partition the following groups into conjugacy classes:

- (a) \mathbb{Z}_4 ;
- (b) Q_4 ;
- (c) D_5 ;
- (d) A_4 ;
- (e) S_4 .