

14.4 For n , a positive integer, every abelian group of order n is cyclic

iff n is not divisible by the square of any prime.

(i.e. if n is divisible by the square of a prime, then there exist at least one finite abelian group of order n which is not cyclic.)

(\Leftarrow)

$$|G| = n = p_1 p_2 \dots p_m \quad \text{since } p_i^2 \nmid n, \forall i.$$

By Thm 14.2 / Thm 1:

$$G \cong G(p_1) \times G(p_2) \times \dots \times G(p_m).$$

By Thm 6.1:

$G(p_1) \times G(p_2) \times \dots \times G(p_m)$ is cyclic,

So $G \cong G(p_1) \times G(p_2) \times \dots \times G(p_m)$ is cyclic.

(\Rightarrow) By contra positive, let $p_i^2 \mid n$.

So ~~with $n = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \dots p_m^{a_m}$~~ $n = p_1^{a_1} p_2^{a_2} \dots p_m^{a_m}$ where at least one exponent is greater than 1.

So $\forall G_x$ where $|G_x| = n$,

$$G_x \cong G_x(p_1^{a_1}) \times G_x(p_2^{a_2}) \times \dots \times G_x(p_i^{a_i}) \times \dots \times G_x(p_m^{a_m})$$

and there exists a G_x and a partition $\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{I})$ (Thm 2)

where $\pi = (1, \dots, 1)$

$$\text{and } G_x \cong \underbrace{G_x(p_i^{a_i}) \times G_x(p_i^{a_i}) \times \dots \times G_x(p_i^{a_i})}_{\text{\& times}} \times G_x(p_1^{a_1}) \times G_x(p_2^{a_2}) \times \dots \times G_x(p_m^{a_m})$$

By Thm 6.1, G_x is not cyclic.

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