

## The Selick Week

### Warnings.

1.  $xg = g^{-1}xg$  so that  $(xg)^h = x(g^h)$
2. If  $\sigma, \tau \in S_n$ , then  $\sigma\tau = \sigma \circ \tau$

**Definitions.** Homomorphism, isomorphism, subgroup, cosets, normal subgroup,  $C_G(X)$ ,  $Z(G)$ ,  $N_G(X)$ .

### The 1st Isomorphism Thm.

If  $\phi: G \rightarrow H$  is a morphism, then  $G/\ker \phi \cong \text{im}(\phi)$

### The 3rd Isomorphism Thm.

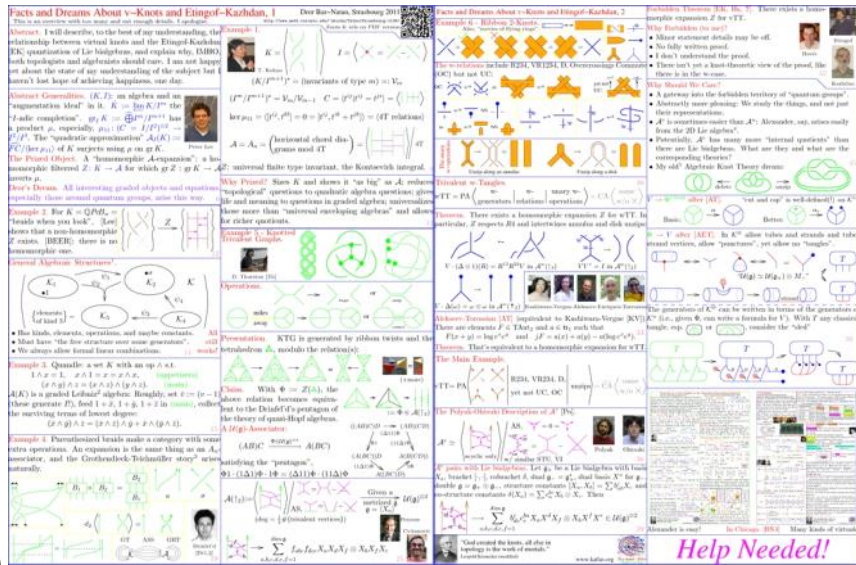
If  $K, H \triangleleft G$  &  $K < H$ , then  $\frac{G/K}{H/K} \cong \frac{G}{H}$

### The 4th Isomorphism Thm.

If  $N \triangleleft G$  then  $\pi: G \rightarrow G/N$  induces a "faithful" bijection between subgroups of  $G/N$  and  $\{H: N < H < G\}$ :

- \*  $A < B \Leftrightarrow \pi(A) < \pi(B)$   
(& then,  $[B:A] = [\pi(B):\pi(A)]$ )
- \*  $A \triangleleft B \Leftrightarrow \pi(A) \triangleleft \pi(B)$
- \*  $\pi(A \cap B) = \pi(A) \cap \pi(B)$ .

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Dror's week: <http://www.math.toronto.edu/~drorbn/Talks/Strasbourg-1109/>

**Proposition.** Every normal subgroup is the kernel of a homomorphism & vice versa. (PF: Define  $G/N$ !)

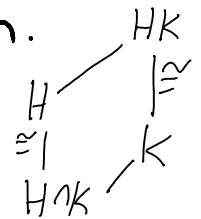
**Claim.** For  $H, K < G$ ,  $HK < G$  iff  $HK = KH$ .

**Claim.** If  $H \subset N_G(K)$  then  $HK = KH$ ,  $K \triangleleft HK$ , &  $H \triangleleft HK$ .

### The 2nd isomorphism theorem.

If  $H < N_G(K)$ , then

$$HK/K \cong H/H \cap K$$



### Permutation Groups. $S_n, |S_n| = n!$ ,

$\text{sign}: S_n \rightarrow \{\pm 1\}$  by

$$\text{sign}(\sigma) = (-1)^\sigma = \prod_{i < j} \text{sign}(j-i)$$

is a homomorphism, so

$$A_n := \ker(\text{sign}) \triangleleft S_n, |A_n| = \frac{n!}{2}$$

**Thm.** For  $n \neq 4$ ,  $A_n$  is "simple" - it has no normal subgroups except the trivial one and itself.