

Recall:

Thm Sps  $H \trianglelefteq G$ ,  $K \trianglelefteq G$ ,  $G = HK$ , and  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ . Then

$$G \approx H \oplus K = \{(h, k) \mid h \in H, k \in K\}.$$

Proof:

1. Show every element  $g \in G$  can be expressed uniquely as  $g = hk$  where  $h \in H$  and  $k \in K$ .

2. Define  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H \oplus K$  by  $\varphi(g) = \varphi(hk) = (h, k)$  and show  $\varphi$  is an isomorphism.

Lemma Under given conditions, for any

$$h \in H, k \in K, hk = kh, \text{ i.e. } hkh^{-1}k^{-1} = e.$$

↳ elts of  $H$  and  $K$  commute.

proof of lemma:

$$H \trianglelefteq G, K \trianglelefteq G \Rightarrow hkh^{-1} \in K \quad kh^{-1}k^{-1} \in H$$

so  $(hkh^{-1})k^{-1} \in K$

same ↲  
and  $h(kh^{-1}k^{-1}) \in H$

↳ normal subgroup test.

$$\text{But } H \cap K = \{e\} \text{ so } hkh^{-1}k^{-1} = e. \quad \checkmark$$

Now, for step 1 of proof of theorem, let  $g \in G$ .

Since  $G = HK$ ,  $g = hk$  some  $h \in H, k \in K$ .  
↳ uniqueness proof

suppose  $g = h_1k_1 = h_2k_2$ . (NTS:  $h_1 = h_2, k_1 = k_2$ ).

$$\text{Then } h_1k_1k_2^{-1}h_2^{-1} = e.$$

By the lemma,  $h_1$  commutes with all elements of  $K$ ,  
so this becomes

$$(k_1 k_2^{-1})(h_1 h_2^{-1}) = e$$

Thus  $k_1 k_2^{-1} = h_2 h_1^{-1} = e$  since  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ .

Therefore  $h_1 = h_2$  and  $k_1 = k_2$ . ✓

Now, for step 2,

Define map

$$\varphi: G \rightarrow H \oplus K \text{ by}$$

$$\varphi(g) = \varphi(hk) = (h, k).$$

Since every element of  $G$  can be written uniquely as

a product  $g = hk$ ,  $\varphi$  is a well-defined function on  $G$ .

NTS:  $\varphi$  an isomorphism: 1-1, onto, operation-preserving.

1-1: Sps  $\varphi(g) = \varphi(g') = (h, k)$ .

Then  $g = hk = g'$ . ✓

onto: Sps  $(h, k) \in H \oplus K$ .

Then  $(h, k) = \varphi(hk)$  and  $hk \in G$ . ✓

operation-preserving:

$$\varphi(g_1, g_2) = \varphi((h_1, k_1)(h_2, k_2))$$

$$= \varphi(h_1, \underbrace{k_1 h_2}_{\text{lemma}} k_2)$$

$$= \varphi(h_1, h_2, k_1, k_2) \quad (\text{elements of } H \text{ and } K \text{ commute})$$

$$= (h_1, h_2, k_1, k_2) \quad (\text{applying } \varphi)$$

$$= (h_1, k_1)(h_2, k_2) \quad (\text{operation in } H \oplus K)$$

$$= \varphi(g_1)\varphi(g_2) \quad (g_1 = h_1, k_1, g_2 = h_2, k_2 \dots \text{defn of } \varphi).$$