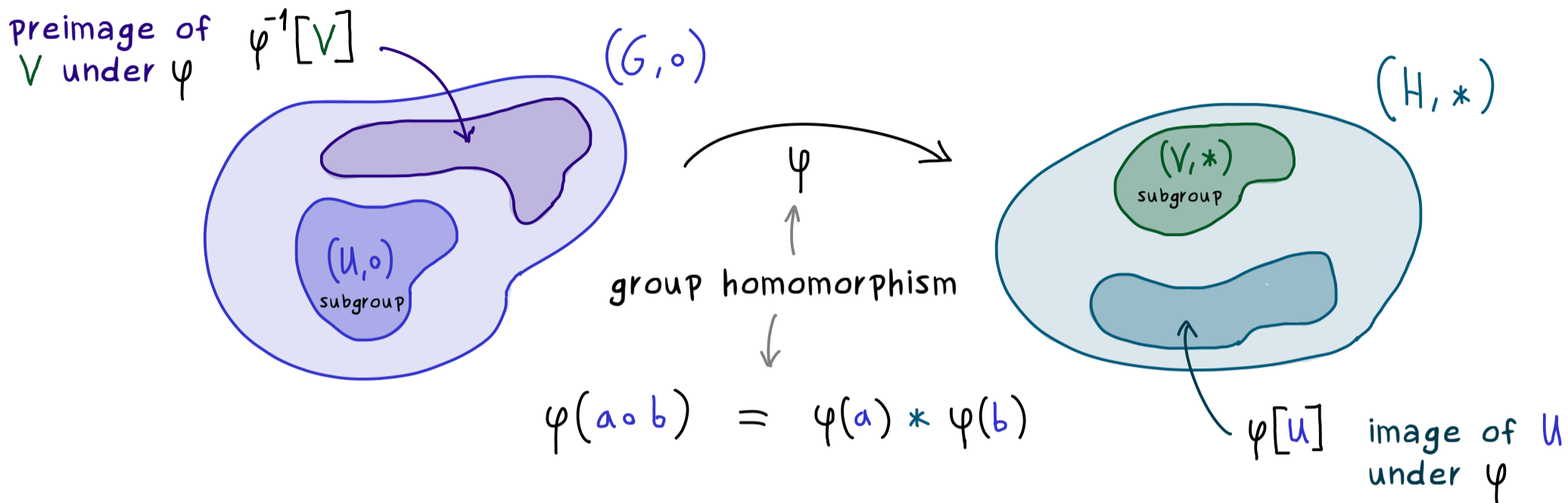


Algebra - Part 12



Proposition: $(G, \circ), (H, *)$ groups, $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ group homomorphism.

If $U \subseteq G$ is a subgroup of G and $V \subseteq H$ is a subgroup of H ,

then:

(a) $\varphi[U] \subseteq H$ is a subgroup of H

(b) $\varphi^{-1}[V] \subseteq G$ is a subgroup of G

Proof: (a) Take $a, b \in \varphi[U] \subseteq H$. We find $x, y \in U$ with $\varphi(x) = a, \varphi(y) = b$.

Then: $a * b = \varphi(x) * \varphi(y) = \varphi(\underbrace{x \circ y}_{\in U \text{ (subgroup!)}}) \in \varphi[U]$
 $a^{-1} = \varphi(x)^{-1} = \varphi(\underbrace{x^{-1}}_{\in U \text{ (subgroup!)}}) \in \varphi[U]$ part 10 $\Rightarrow (\varphi[U], *)$ subgroup

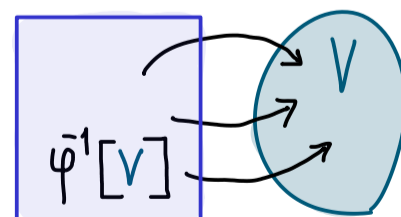
(b) Take $x, y \in \varphi^{-1}[V]$. We find $a, b \in V$ with $\varphi(x) = a, \varphi(y) = b$.

Then: $\varphi(x \circ y) = \varphi(x) * \varphi(y) = a * b \in V$

$\Rightarrow x \circ y \in \varphi^{-1}[V]$

$\varphi(x^{-1}) = \varphi(x)^{-1} = a^{-1} \in V$

$\Rightarrow x^{-1} \in \varphi^{-1}[V] \xrightarrow{\text{part 10}} (\varphi^{-1}[V], \circ)$ subgroup \square

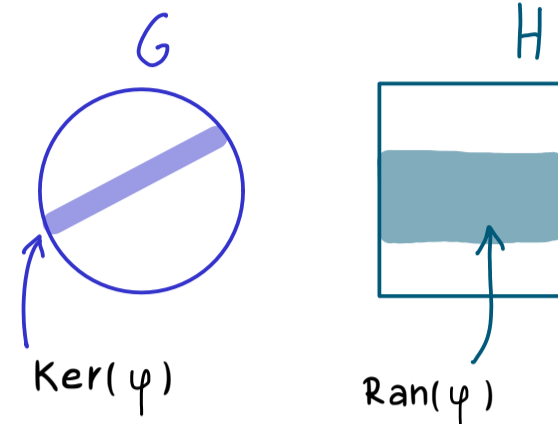


Special cases: $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$ group homomorphism.

$$\varphi^{-1}[\{e\}] =: \text{Ker}(\varphi) \quad \text{kernel of } \varphi$$

$$\varphi[G] =: \text{Ran}(\varphi) \quad \text{range of } \varphi$$

$$(\text{im}(\varphi) \quad \text{image of } \varphi)$$



Example: $\varphi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \{e, a\}$

$$k \mapsto \begin{cases} e, & k \text{ even} \\ a, & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$



group homomorphism!

$$\varphi(k+m) = \varphi(k) \circ \varphi(m)$$

$$\text{Ker}(\varphi) = \{\text{even numbers}\} = 2\mathbb{Z} \quad \text{subgroup!}$$