

Answer on Question #52825 – Math – Abstract Algebra

Let N be a normal cyclic subgroup of a group G , then prove that every subgroup of N is normal in G .

Solution

Since H is a subgroup of N , if h is in H , then $h = x^k$ for some integer k . For any g in G , we have $ghg^{-1} = g(x^k)g^{-1} = (gxg^{-1})^k$. Since N is normal, gxg^{-1} is again in N , say $gxg^{-1} = x^m$, for some integer m .

Therefore,

$ghg^{-1} = (gxg^{-1})^k = (x^m)^k = x^{mk} = x^{km} = (x^k)^m = h^m$. Now h^m is in $\langle h \rangle$, which is contained in H (H is closed under multiplication), therefore, ghg^{-1} is in H , that is, gHg^{-1} is contained in H , that is, H is normal.