

## AN IMPORTANT ISOMORPHISM – ANSWER

Theorem: Let  $G$  be a group, let  $g \in G$ , and define a function  $T_g : G \rightarrow G$  by  $T_g(x) = gxg^{-1}$ . Then  $T_g$  is an isomorphism.

Proof: To show that  $T_g$  is an isomorphism, we need to show first that it is a bijection and second that it preserves the multiplication. In other words, show that if  $ab = c$ , then  $T_g(a) \cdot T_g(b) = T_g(c) = T_g(ab)$ . In the last theorem we showed that  $T_g$  is a bijection, so let's show the second part. Thus, suppose  $ab = c$  for  $a, b, c \in G$ , and suppose that  $g \in G$ . Then  $T_g(a) \cdot T_g(b) = gag^{-1} \cdot gbg^{-1} = g(aeb)g^{-1} = g(ab)g^{-1} = gcg^{-1} = T_g(c) = T_g(ab)$ . Therefore,  $T_g$  is an isomorphism.

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