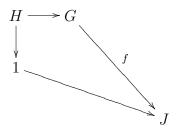
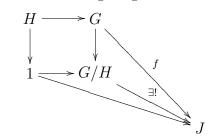
Lecture 25: Guest lecture by Emily Riehl, Universal property of the quotient

This is what you need to remember:

Theorem 25.1. Let $H \triangleleft G$. Let J be another group, and let $f: G \rightarrow J$ be a group homomorphism such that the diagram



commutes. Then there exists a unique homomorphism $G/H \to J$ making all triangles and squares in the following diagram commute:



That is to say, given f, there is a unique factorization of f through G/H.