

## HOMEWORK 5: DUE THURSDAY, MARCH 5

1. **Problem 1.** Section 11, Problem 2: List the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ . Find the order of each element. Is this group cyclic?
2. **Problem 2.** Section 11, Problem 15: Find the maximum possible order for some element of  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$ .
3. **Problem 3.**
  - (a) Section 11, Problem 16: Are the groups  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$  isomorphic?
  - (b) Section 11, Problem 20: Are the groups  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{18} \times \mathbb{Z}_{15}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{36} \times \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  isomorphic?
4. **Problem 4.** Determine if the given map is a homomorphism.
  - (a) Section 13, Problem 2: Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be given by  $\phi(x) =$  the greatest integer  $\leq x$ .
  - (b) Section 13, Problem 3: Let  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\times$  be given by  $\phi(x) = |x|$ .
  - (c) Let  $G$  be an abelian group and let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  be given by  $\phi(g) = g^{-1}$ . What if  $G$  is not abelian?
5. **Problem 5.**
  - (a) Suppose  $G = \langle a \rangle$  is a cyclic group. Prove that any homomorphism  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  is uniquely determined by the value  $\phi(a)$ . (Meaning: if you know  $\phi(a)$ , you can determine the entire function  $\phi$ , and if you have two homomorphisms  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ , then  $\phi(a) = \psi(a)$  if and only if  $\phi = \psi$ .)
  - (b) Section 13, Problem 25: How many homomorphisms are there from  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ ?
  - (c) Section 13, Problem 24: How many onto homomorphisms are there from  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ ?
6. **Problem 6.** Section 13, Problem 47: Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism and suppose that  $|G'| = p$ , a prime number. Prove that  $\phi$  is either the trivial function  $\phi(g) = e'$  or  $\phi$  is one-to-one.
7. **Problem 7.** Section 13, Problem 49: Show that, if  $G, G'$  and  $G''$  are groups and  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  and  $\psi : G' \rightarrow G''$  are homomorphisms, then the composition  $\psi \circ \phi : G \rightarrow G''$  is a homomorphism.
8. **Problem 8.** Find the order of the given quotient group.
  - (a) Section 14, Problem 1:  $\mathbb{Z}_6 / \langle 3 \rangle$ .
  - (b) Section 14, Problem 6:  $(\mathbb{Z}_{12} \times \mathbb{Z}_{18}) / \langle (4, 3) \rangle$ .
9. **Problem 9.** Section 14, Problem 24: Show that  $A_n$  is a normal subgroup of  $S_n$  and compute  $S_n / A_n$ . That is, find a known group to which  $S_n / A_n$  is isomorphic.
10. **Problem 10.** Section 14, Problem 37:
  - (a) Show that all automorphisms of a group  $G$  form a group under function composition.
  - (b) Show that the inner automorphisms of a group  $G$  form a normal subgroup of the group in part (a). (You must show both that they form a subgroup and that the subgroup is normal.)