

Ungraded.

§1.11-1  $\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 The elements are  $([a]_2, [b]_4)$   
 which has order  $n$ , when  $r$  is the  
 smallest integer,  $ar \equiv 0 \pmod 2$   
 $br \equiv 0 \pmod 4$

So: order 1  $([0]_2, [0]_4)$   
 order 2  $([1]_2, [0]_4), ([0]_2, [2]_4)$   
 $([1]_2, [2]_4)$

The other 4 elements have order 4

§1.11-3 The order of  $(2, 6)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 Smallest  $r \geq 4$ .  $(2r, 6r) = (0, 0)$ .  
 $2r \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$ ; by inspection,  $r=2$ .  
 $6r \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$

§1.11-5 The order of  $(8, 10)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 Again,  $8r \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$ ,  $10r \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$ .  
 so  $12|8r$ ,  $12|10r$ . If  $\frac{10r}{18} = \frac{5r}{9}$   
 is an integer, then  $9|r$ , and  $8 \cdot 9 \equiv 0 \pmod{12}$ ,  
 so  $r=9$ .

§1.13-7  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/7\mathbb{Z}$ .  $\phi(1) = [4]_7$   
 $\phi(1) = [4]_7 \Rightarrow \phi(25) = 100 \pmod 7 = 2$   
 $\ker \phi = \{x: \phi(x) = [0]_7\}$   
 $= \{x: 4x \equiv 0 \pmod 7\} = \{x: x \equiv 0 \pmod 7\}$   
 $= 7\mathbb{Z}$ .

§1.13-9  $\phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow S_8$   
 so  $\phi(1) = (1426)(257)$   
 (tricky!) So  $\phi(1)$  is a cycle of order 6  
 and so  $\phi(6) = \text{identity}$ .  $\phi(n) = \text{identity}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow 6|n$ , so  $\ker \phi = 6\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 $\phi(20) = (142576)^{20} = (142576)^{3 \cdot 6 + 2}$   
 $= (142576)^2 = (127)(456)$

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1. §1.10-37  
 Actually a big deal  
 There are two parts.

1) Suppose  $a \in G$  and  $a \neq e$ .  
 Then  $\langle a \rangle$  is a bigger subgroup than  $\{e\}$ .  
 By hypothesis. This means that  
 $\langle a \rangle$  must be all of  $G$ . This is  
 true for all  $a \in G, a \neq e$ .

Thus  $G$  must be a cyclic group.

2) Suppose  $G$  is a cyclic group  
 of order  $n$ , and  $n = rs, r, s > 1$ .  
 Then  $G = \{e, a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}\}$   
 and  $\langle a^r \rangle = \{e, a^r, a^{2r}, \dots, a^{(s-1)r}\}$   
 is a proper subgroup, which  
 is impossible by hypothesis.

Thus  $n$  must be prime.

3) Suppose  $G$  is an infinite group.  
 We still know it's cyclic, so it's  
 $\{e, a, a^{-1}, a^2, a^{-2}, \dots\}$   
 and evidently  $\{e, a^2, a^{-2}, a^4, a^{-4}, \dots\}$   
 is a proper subgroup.

I will not "count" 3), since we  
 really haven't talked about  
 infinite groups. If you got this  
 part, it will be  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt extra credit!

2a. §1.11-2  $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/4\mathbb{Z}$ .  
 elements are  $([a]_3, [b]_4)$ . Its  
 order is the smallest positive integer  
 $r$  so that  $ra \equiv 0 \pmod 3, rb \equiv 0 \pmod 4$ .  
 $(0, 0) \rightarrow 1$   $(1, 0) \rightarrow 3$   $(2, 0) \rightarrow 3$   
 $(0, 1) \rightarrow 4$   $(1, 1) \rightarrow 12$   $(2, 1) \rightarrow 12$   
 $(0, 2) \rightarrow 2$   $(1, 2) \rightarrow 6$   $(2, 2) \rightarrow 6$   
 $(0, 3) \rightarrow 4$   $(1, 3) \rightarrow 12$   $(2, 3) \rightarrow 12$   
 4 generators:  $([a]_3, [b]_4)$  if  $a = 1$  or  $2$   
 $b = 1$  or  $3$

25. order of  $(2,3)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 = \mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$   
 we could use the previous argument.  
 (smallest  $r$  so that  $2r \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$ ,  $3r \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$   
 or just write out multiples  
 $(2,3), (4,6), (0,9), (2,12), (4,0),$   
 $(0,3), (2,6), (4,9), (0,12), (2,0),$   
 $(4,3), (0,6), (2,9), (4,12), (0,0)$   
 order = 15.

3a. All the powers of  $[2]_{11}$   
 $1, 2, 4, 8, 16 \equiv 5, 10, 20 \equiv 9, 18 \equiv 7,$   
 $14 \equiv 3, 6, 12 \equiv 1$

so  $\{1, 2, 4, 8, 5, 10, 9, 7, 3, 6\}$  is the set  
 of powers of 2 and is  $(\mathbb{Z}/11\mathbb{Z})^*$

3b. The order of  $2^k$  is  $\frac{10}{\gcd(k,10)}$   
 so  $2^k$  is a generator if  $\gcd(k,10) = 1$   
 $10, k \equiv 1, 3, 7, 9$ . Reading from the  
 list,  $2^1 = 2, 2^3 = 8, 2^7 = 7, 2^9 = 6$   
 These are the generators of  $(\mathbb{Z}/11\mathbb{Z})^*$ .

3c. A generator  $f$  in  $G_0 = (\mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z})^*$   
 is  $[1]_{10}$ ; in an isomorphism,  
 it maps to a generator

$\phi_1$	$\phi_2$	<sup>pick the other</sup> generator
$[0]_{10} \rightarrow [1]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [1]_{11}$	
$[1]_{10} \rightarrow [2]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [8]_{11}$	you could
$[2]_{10} \rightarrow [4]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [9]_{11}$	also
$[3]_{10} \rightarrow [6]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [6]_{11}$	pick
$[4]_{10} \rightarrow [5]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [7]_{11}$	[7]_{11}
$[5]_{10} \rightarrow [10]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [10]_{11}$	or
$[6]_{10} \rightarrow [9]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [3]_{11}$	[6]_{11}
$[7]_{10} \rightarrow [7]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [2]_{11}$	here
$[8]_{10} \rightarrow [3]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [5]_{11}$	
$[9]_{10} \rightarrow [6]_{11}$	$\rightarrow [7]_{11}$	

4. As a group class (at the start)  
 $a \circ b = a + b - ab$  is a group  
 $3 \circ b = a + 3 - 3a = 3 - 2a$   
 Identity = 0,  $3 \circ 3 = 0 \Rightarrow 3^{-1} = 3$   
 $\frac{3}{2} \circ b = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}b$   
 Powers of 3  
 $3, 3 \circ 3 = -3, 3 \circ -3 = 9, 3 \circ 9 = 15,$   
 $3 \circ (-15) = 33, 3 \circ 33 = -63, \dots$   
 $3^{-1} = \frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \circ \frac{3}{2} = \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{2} \circ \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{8},$   
 $\frac{3}{2} \circ \frac{3}{8} = \frac{15}{16}.$

Discussion. Certainly the powers  
 of  $3^{-1}$  seem to be going to 1.  
 $\frac{3}{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4} = 1 - \frac{1}{4}, \frac{9}{8} = 1 + \frac{1}{8}, \frac{15}{16} = 1 - \frac{1}{16}$   
 and you may notice.  
 $3 = 1 + 2, -3 = 1 - 4, 9 = 1 + 8, 15 = 1 + 16.$

The pattern seems to be  $1 - (-2)^n$ .  
 We saw (in class) that  
 $(1-a) \circ (1-b) = (1-a) + (1-b) - (1-a)(1-b)$   
 $= 1 - a + 1 - b - 1 + a + b - ab = 1 - ab$   
 so  $(1 - (-2)^n) \circ (1 - (-2)^m) =$   
 $(1 - (-2)^{m+n})$   
 and this is the group!

5. Suppose  $G = C_p = \langle a \rangle$  and  
 $H = C_q = \langle b \rangle$  and  $\phi$  is a homomorphism  
 from  $G$  to  $H$ . What is  $\phi(a)$ ?  
 $\phi(a) = b^i$  for some  $i$ , because  $\phi(a) \in H$ .  
 Because  $\phi$  is a homomorphism,  
 $\phi(a^k) = (b^i)^k = b^{ki}$  for all  $k$ . In  
 particular,  $\phi(a^p) = b^{pi}$ . But  
 $a^p = e_G$  and  $\phi(e_G) = e_H$ , so  
 $b^{pi} = e_H \Rightarrow q | pi$ . But  $p$  and  $q$  are diff.  
 primes, so  $q | i$  and  $\phi(a) = b^i = e_H$ .

5 cont'd. Thus, the only group homomorphism  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is the trivial or "boring" one.

6a. Since  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ ,  $gH = Hg$ . That is,  $g\{e, a, b\} = \{e, a, b\}g$  as sets.

$\{g, ga, gb\} = \{g, ag, bg\}$ .  
If  $ga \neq ag$ , then we must have  $ga = bg$ , because

$ga$  has to be in  $Hg$  and that's the only choice.

6b.  $H = \{e, a\}$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  if and only if, for every  $g \in G$ ,  $gH = Hg$ ; that is

$$\{g, ga\} = \{g, ag\}$$

That is, if and only if  $ga = ag$ .

### Notes on LCM.

Given positive integers  $m, n$ , the least common multiple of  $m, n$ ,  $\text{LCM}(m, n)$  is the smallest integer  $r$  such that  $m | r$  and  $n | r$ .  
What follows are two approaches to prove.

$$\text{LCM}(m, n) = \frac{mn}{\text{gcd}(m, n)}$$

(i). Let  $g = \text{gcd}(m, n)$ , so  $m = gm', n = gn'$  for integers  $m', n'$ .

Claim  $\text{gcd}(m', n') = 1$ .

Pf. If  $k | m'$  and  $k | n'$ , then  $m' = km'', n' = kn''$  and  $m = gkm'', n = gkn''$ , so  $gk | m, n$  but  $g$  was the greatest common divisor, so  $gk \leq g \Rightarrow k = 1$ .

Now suppose  $m | r$  and  $n | r$ .

Since  $m | r$ ,  $r = mt$  for some  $t$ .  
 $\Rightarrow r = gm't$ . But  $n | r$ , so  $r = nu = gn'u$ , so

$$gm't = gn'u \Leftrightarrow m't = n'u$$

but:  $m' | m't$ , so  $m' | n'u$  and  $\text{gcd}(m', n') = 1 \Rightarrow m' | u \Rightarrow u = m'v$   
 $\Rightarrow r = gn'u = gn'm'v$ .

The smallest value is found by taking  $v = 1$ , so  $\text{LCM}(m, n) = gn'm'$

$$= \frac{(gn')(gm')}{g} = \frac{m \cdot n}{g} \quad \checkmark$$

(ii)  $a | b \Leftrightarrow \nu_p(a) \leq \nu_p(b)$  for all primes  $p$ . So  $g | m, n \Leftrightarrow$

$\nu_p(g) \leq \nu_p(m), \nu_p(n)$ , so the largest  $g$  has  $\nu_p(g) = \min(\nu_p(m), \nu_p(n))$ .

Similarly,  $m, n | r \Leftrightarrow \nu_p(r) \geq \nu_p(m), \nu_p(n) \Rightarrow \nu_p(\text{LCM}) = \max(\nu_p(m), \nu_p(n))$

$$\text{and } \nu_p(g) + \nu_p(\text{LCM}) = \min + \max$$

$$\text{But } \min(r, s) + \max(r, s) = r + s$$