

True/False: If the statement is false, give a counterexample.

If the statement is *always* true, give a brief explanation of why it is (not *just* an example!).

1. [3] Let  $G$  be a group and let  $a, b$ , and  $c$  be in  $G$ . If  $ba = ca$ , then  $b = c$ .

$\textcircled{1} \text{ True }$  Since  $G$  is a group  $a^{-1} \in G$  so

logic  $\textcircled{1}$

def/notations  $\textcircled{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} & ba = ca \\ \Rightarrow & (ba)a^{-1} = (ca)a^{-1} \quad \text{by applying } a^{-1} \text{ on the right} \\ \Rightarrow & b(aa^{-1}) = c(aa^{-1}) \quad \text{since groups are associative} \\ \Rightarrow & b \cdot e = c \cdot e \quad \text{since } aa^{-1} = e \text{ which is the identity in } G \\ \Rightarrow & b = c \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

2. [3] Let  $\phi : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  be a homomorphism between groups. If  $e_1$  is the identity in  $G_1$ , then  $\phi(e_1)$  is the identity in  $G_2$ .

$\textcircled{1} \text{ True }$  Let  $e_2$  be the identity in  $G_2$ , we want to show  $e_2 = \phi(e_1)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consider } e_2 \phi(e_1) &= \phi(e_1) \quad \text{b/c } e_2 \text{ is the identity in } G_2 \\ &= \phi(e_1, e_1) \quad \text{since } e_1 \text{ is the identity in } G_1 \\ &= \phi(e_1) \phi(e_1) \quad \text{b/c } \phi \text{ is a homomorphism.} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $e_2 \phi(e_1) = \phi(e_1) \phi(e_1)$  and  $G_2$  is a group we can apply  $[\phi(e_1)]^{-1}$  on the right to get  $e_2 = \phi(e_1)$   $\checkmark$

3. [3] If  $H$  is a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ , then  $gh = hg$  for all  $h \in H$  and  $g \in G$ .

$\textcircled{1} \text{ False }$  The normal subgroup definition is for the set  $H$ , that is  $gH = Hg \quad \forall g \in G$ .

def/notations  $\textcircled{1}$   
counterex  $\textcircled{1}$  Counterexample: Consider  $D_4 = \langle r, f \rangle$  and  $H = \langle r^2 \rangle = \{r^2, r^4\}$   
note  $|H| = 2 \Rightarrow [D_4 : H] = 2 \Rightarrow H \triangleleft D_4$ .

Let  $f \in D_4$  and  $r \in H$  & notice  $fr \neq rf$   
in fact  $fr = r^3f$ .

Free Response: Show your work for the following problems. The correct answer with no supporting work will receive NO credit.

4. [3] Find two non-isomorphic groups of order 6. Explain why the groups are not isomorphic.

$\mathbb{Z}_6$  is an abelian group  
 $S_3$  is a non abelian group  
 groups of order 6 (+1)  
 reasoning/logic (+1)  
 notation/def (+1)

5. The Cayley diagram for  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  is below.

- (a) [1] What is the identify element?

$$(0,0,0)$$

- (b) [2] What action/group operation corresponds to the blue arrow/line?

adding 1 in the first coordinate  
 $(\text{mod } 2)$

- (c) [3] Four elements are identified as green in the figure and form a subgroup  $H$ . You can assume  $H$  is normal in  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

Find the cosets of  $H$ .

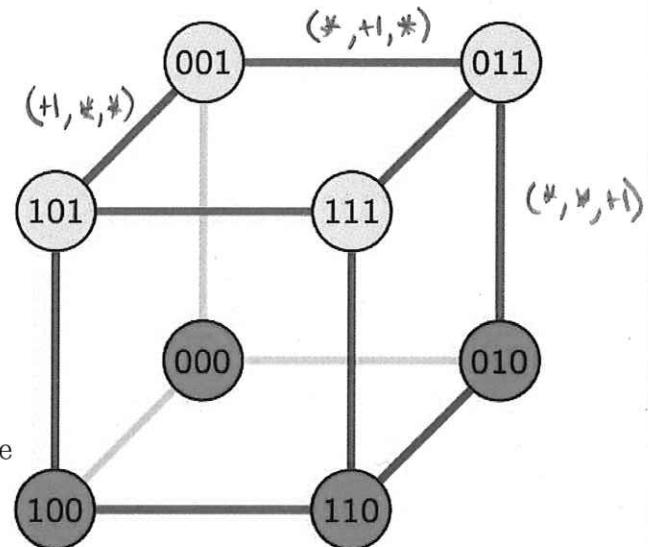
$$H = \{(0,0,0), (1,0,0), (1,1,0), (0,1,0)\}$$

$$(0,0,1) + H = \{(1,0,1), (1,0,1), (1,1,1), (0,1,1)\}$$

- (d) [3] Show  $(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)/H$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Define } h: & \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 & \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2 \\ & (a,b,c) & \mapsto c \\ & & \downarrow \\ & \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 / H & \end{array}$$

Note  $\text{Ker } h = H$  and  $h$  is onto  
 $\therefore$  by the 1<sup>st</sup> iso thm  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 / H \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$



OR we will write the Cayley Table for  $(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)/H$  so we can write the isomorphism explicitly

$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 / H$	$H$	$(0,0,1) + H$
$H$	$H$	$(0,0,1) + H$
$(0,0,1) + H$	$(0,0,1) + H$	$H$

(+1) defn map  
 (+1) onto  
 (+1) one-to-one  
 (+1) homom  
 (+1) closed dom  
 $\mathbb{Z}_2$

↙ shall have had 5 elements ✕ kicking self &

6. Let  $X = \{a, b, c, d\}$  and let  $S$  be the set of all permutations on  $X$ .

- (a) [4] Let  $\alpha = (a\ b\ c\ d)$  and  $\beta = (a\ c)$ . Find the following:

i.  $\alpha^{-1}$

$$(a\ d\ c\ b)$$

(1)

Check:  $(abcd)(adcb) = (a)(b)(c)(d)$

ii.  $\beta\alpha$

$$(\alpha\beta)(ab\ cd) = (a\ b)(cd)$$

(1)

def of comp (1.5)

- iii. Does  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  commute? Explain.

$$\alpha\beta = (abcd)(ac) = (a\ d)(bc)$$

Nope? (1.5)

switch order of element (1.5) ✗ answer from (ii) (1.5)

- (b) [2] Find an element of  $S$  that has order 6 (if such an element exists).

order of elements (1.5) Note in cyclic rotation  $\sigma$  to  $\sigma^5$  could look like  $(a\ b\ c\ d)$  with order 4  
 cases (all) (1.5) note  $(a\ b\ c\ d)(a\ b\ c\ d)$  for the identity.  
 logic (1)  $(a\ b\ c\ d)^2 = (a\ b\ c\ d)$  Thus by extension of element shorter 6,  $(a\ b\ c\ d)(a\ b\ c\ d)$  with order 2

- (c) [4] Define a subset  $H = \{\sigma \in S \mid \sigma(b) = b\}$ . That is, all permutations that does not move the letter  $b$ . For example,  $\beta$  from part (a) is in  $H$ . Show that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $S$ .

We verify the conditions of a subgroup:

Closure: Let  $\sigma, \gamma \in H$  then  $\sigma(1) = 1 = \gamma(1)$ .

$$\text{Note } (\sigma \cdot \gamma)(1) = \sigma(\gamma(1)) = \sigma(1) = 1$$

thus  $\sigma \cdot \gamma \in H$ .

Identity: The identity permutation does not move any elements, so certainly not 1.

∴ identity  $\in H$

Inverses: If  $\sigma \in H$  we know  $\sigma(1) = 1$ .

Notice  $\sigma^{-1} \in G$  b/c  $G$  is a group and since  $\sigma(1) = 1$ ,  $\sigma^{-1}(1) = 1 \therefore \sigma^{-1} \in H$ .

We inherit associativity from  $G$  thus

$H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . //

def of subgroup/prop (1)

for each condition (1.5) (1.5) (1.5) (1.5)  
 understand def/ex (1.5) switch (1.5)

4  
well written

3  
good but some  
math errors or  
writing that needs  
addressing

2  
good intuition  
but at least  
1 serious flaw

1  
I don't understand  
but I see you  
worked.

7. [4] Choose ONE of the following theorems to prove. Clearly identify which of the two you are proving and what work you want to be considered for credit.

Note: probably  
did not need  
for iso thm  
but I like it

No, doing both questions will not earn you extra credit.

Normal Writing Rule

**Theorem 1.** Let  $m$  and  $n$  be integers. If  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ , then  $\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_{nm}$ .

**Theorem 2.** Every finite cyclic group is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  for some integer  $n$ . (from Worksheet 6)

Thm 1:

Pf: I'll use the 1st iso thm b/c I  
like it.

Define  $h: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z} & \xrightarrow{h} & \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m \\ a & \mapsto & (1, a) \end{array}$$

Notice  $h$  is defined on the generators of  $\mathbb{Z}$   
so can be extended to form a  
homomorphism.

Consider  $\text{ker } h = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid h(a) = (0, 0)\}$   
 $= \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a=0 \pmod{n} \text{ AND } a=0 \pmod{m}\}$

Since  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$   
 $= (mn)\mathbb{Z}$ .

To show  $h$  is onto, we verify the  
generators  $(1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1)$  are in  
the image of  $h$ .

Since  $\gcd(m, n) = 1 \exists k, l \in \mathbb{Z} \ni$   
 $mk + nl = 1$  or  $mk = 1 - nl$ .

Notice  $h(mk) = h(1 - nl) = (1, 0)$   
and  $h(nl) = h(1 - mk) = (0, 1)$ .

The first 1st iso. thm then can be  
used with

$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{h} \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m \quad \phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/(mn)\mathbb{Z}$   
 $a \mapsto a \pmod{mn}$

We have an isomorphism  
 $\gamma$  from  $\mathbb{Z}/(mn)\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$

or from  $\mathbb{Z}_{mn}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$  //

Thm 2:

Pf: let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group so  
 $G = \langle g \rangle$ . We will use the 1st iso thm.

Consider  $h: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G$ ,

Note  $h$  is a homomorphism since  
 $h(a+b) = g^{ab} = g^a g^b = h(a)h(b)$   
 $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Consider  $\text{ker } h = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid h(a) = e\}$   
where  $e$  is the identity in  $G$ .

$\text{ker } h = \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid g^a = e\}$   
 $= \{a \in \mathbb{Z} \mid a = 0 \pmod{n}\}$   
(where  $n$  is the order of  $g$ )  
 $= n\mathbb{Z}$

Notice  $h$  is onto  $G$ , since we

$\mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{h} G \quad \text{Let } \phi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$   
 $a \mapsto a \pmod{n}$

The 1st iso. Thm  $\Rightarrow$

$\exists$  an isomorphism  $\eta$   
from  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  to  $G$

or from  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  to  $G$

since  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_n$ .