

1. Sketch the subgroup lattice for  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$ . For each subgroup, list all the elements and indicate all possible generators of the subgroup.

Positive divisors of 20 : 1, 2, 5, 4, 10, 20

Possible generators underlined.

Recall  $\langle k_1 \rangle = \langle k_2 \rangle \Leftrightarrow \gcd(k_1, m) = \gcd(k_2, m)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \langle 1 \rangle = \mathbb{Z}_{20} & = \{0, \underline{1}, 2, \underline{3}, 4, \underline{5}, 6, \underline{7}, \underline{8}, \underline{9}, 10, \\
 & & \quad \underline{11}, \underline{12}, \underline{13}, \underline{14}, \underline{15}, \underline{16}, \underline{17}, \underline{18}, \underline{19}\} \\
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 \langle 2 \rangle = 2\mathbb{Z}_{20} & & \langle 5 \rangle = 5\mathbb{Z}_{20} = \{0, \underline{5}, 10, \underline{15}\} \\
 = \{0, \underline{2}, 4, \underline{5}, 8, \underline{10}, 12, \underline{14}, \underline{16}, \underline{18}\} & & \\
 & & \\
 \langle 4 \rangle = 4\mathbb{Z}_{20} & & \langle 10 \rangle = 10\mathbb{Z}_{20} = \{0, \underline{10}\} \\
 = \{0, \underline{4}, \underline{8}, \underline{12}, \underline{16}\} & & \\
 & & \\
 \langle 0 \rangle = 0\mathbb{Z}_{20} & = \{0\} &
 \end{array}$$

2. Suppose  $G$  is a group and  $a \in G$  such that  $|a| = 13$ . Prove there exists  $b \in G$  such that  $a = b^9$

$$9 \cdot 3 = 27 = 2 \cdot 13 + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{13}, \text{ so let } b = a^3$$

$$\text{Then } b^9 = (a^3)^9 = a^{27} = a^{2 \cdot 13 + 1} = (\underbrace{a^{13}}_e)^2 \cdot a = a$$

3. Suppose  $\alpha = (4, 3, 7, 8, 9)(1, 3, 7, 5, 2)(2, 7, 6)$  is a permutation in cycle notation.
- Express  $\alpha$  as a product of disjoint cycles.
  - Find the order of  $\alpha$ . Explain.
  - Find the parity of  $\alpha$ . Explain.
  - Simplify  $\alpha^{659}$

(a)  $\alpha = (1, 7, 6)(2, 5)(3, 8, 9, 4)$

(b) By Ruffini's theorem  $|\alpha| = \text{lcm}(\underbrace{3, 2, 4}_{\text{orders of cycles}}) = 12$  (lengths)

(c) Discriminant = sum of  $\underbrace{\text{sizes}}_{\text{lengths}} \text{ of cycles} = 2 + 1 + 3 = 6$ , so  $\alpha$  is even

(d) Lemma: If  $G$  is a group, at  $\alpha$ ,  $|\alpha|=m$ , and  $n \equiv r \pmod{m}$ , then  $\alpha^n = \alpha^r$

Pf: Since  $\exists q \in \mathbb{Z}$   $n-r = qm$ ,  $n = r+qm$ , so

$$\alpha^n = \alpha^{r+qm} = (\alpha^m)^q \cdot \alpha^r = e^q \alpha^r = \alpha^r \quad \square$$

Since disjoint cycles commute  $\alpha^{659} = (1, 7, 6)^{659}(2, 5)^{659}(3, 8, 9, 4)^{659}$ .

Since  $659 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, 2 \pmod{3}, 1 \pmod{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^{659} &= (1, 7, 6)^2(2, 5)(3, 8, 9, 4)^3 = (1, 7, 6)^{-1}(2, 5)(3, 8, 9, 4)^{-1} \\ &= (1, 6, 7)(2, 5)(3, 4, 9, 8)\end{aligned}$$

4. Prove that  $5\mathbb{Z}/40\mathbb{Z}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_8$

Define  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 5\mathbb{Z}/40\mathbb{Z}$  by  $f(x) = 5x + 40\mathbb{Z}$

then  $f$  is a surjective hom with  $\ker f = 8\mathbb{Z}$

Pf: (i)  $f(x+y) = 5(x+y) + 40\mathbb{Z} = 5x + 40\mathbb{Z} + 5y + 40\mathbb{Z} = f(x) + f(y)$

(ii) Surjective:  $f(1) = 5 + 40\mathbb{Z}$  generates  $5\mathbb{Z}/40\mathbb{Z}$

(iii)  $x \in \ker f \Leftrightarrow f(x) = 40\mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow 5x \in 40\mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow \exists k \ 5x = 40k \Leftrightarrow \exists k \ x = 8k \Leftrightarrow x \in 8\mathbb{Z}$

By the 1<sup>st</sup> isomorphism theorem  $\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z} \cong 5\mathbb{Z}/40\mathbb{Z}$

Alternative: let  $i: 5\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  be the natural inclusion ( $i(x) = x$ )  
and  $\pi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8$  the natural projection ( $\pi(x) = x \bmod 8 = x + 8\mathbb{Z}$ )

Define  $f: 5\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_8 \quad f = \pi \circ i$

Since  $f(5) = 5 \bmod 8$  is a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_8$  ( $\gcd(5, 8) = 1$ )

$f$  is surjective.

Since  $\ker f = 40\mathbb{Z}$  ( $5x \in 8\mathbb{Z} \Leftrightarrow x \in 40\mathbb{Z}$ ),

by the 1<sup>st</sup> isomorphism theorem  $5\mathbb{Z}/40\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_8$

5. Solve the following system of two congruence equations

$$2x \equiv 5 \pmod{13}$$

$$2x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}$$

$$4x \equiv 10 \pmod{13}$$

$$6x \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$$

Hint: first separately solve each congruence for  $x$

$$(i) \quad 2 \cdot 7 = 13 + 1, \text{ so } x = 5 \cdot 7 = 13 \cdot 2 + 9 = 9 \pmod{13}$$

$$2 \cdot 6 = 11 + 1, \text{ so } x = 3 \cdot 6 = 11 + 7 = 7 \pmod{11}$$

$$(ii) \quad \exists y \in \mathbb{Z} \quad x = 9 + 13y, \text{ so } 9 + 13y \equiv 7 \pmod{11},$$

$$2y \equiv -2 \pmod{11}, \text{ i.e. } y \equiv -1 \pmod{11}, \text{ i.e. } \exists z \quad y = -1 + 11z$$

$$\text{so } x = 9 + 13(-1 + 11z) = -4 + 143z,$$

$$\text{so } x \equiv -4 \pmod{143} \equiv 139 \pmod{143}$$

Alternate (ii): Chinese remainder formula:  $x \equiv a_1 b_1 M_1 + a_2 b_2 M_2$

$$\text{where } M = m_1 m_2 = 143, \quad M_i = M / m_i, \quad M_i b_i \equiv 1 \pmod{m_i}$$

$i$	$m_i$	$M_i$	$b_i$	$a_i b_i M_i \pmod{M}$	
1	13	11	6	9	$5 \cdot 6 \cdot 11 = 330 \pmod{143}$
2	11	$\underbrace{13}_{2 \pmod{11}}$	6	7	$6 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 = 462 \pmod{143}$

$\hookrightarrow$  Sum:  $x \equiv 139 \pmod{143}$

6. (a) How many group homomorphisms are there from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$ ? Explain.  
 (b) How many of these are surjective? Explain.  
 (c) How many of these are injective? Explain.

(a) If  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$  is a group hom.,  $f(k) = f(k \cdot 1) = k f(1)$

so  $f$  is uniquely determined by  $f(1)$ ,

$$\text{so } |\text{Hom}[\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}]| = 9 \cdot 25 = 225$$

(b) For  $f$  to be surjective  $f(1)$  must be a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$

so a unit in  $\mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$ , so  $f(1) = [i, j]$  where  $i \in U(9)$ ,  $j \in U(25)$

$$\text{Euler totient: } \varphi(9) = 9 - 3 = 6, \quad \varphi(25) = 25 - 5 = 20$$

so  $6 \cdot 20 = 120$  surjective homs.

(c) By the pigeonhole principle, none are injective,

because  $\mathbb{Z}$  is infinite and  $\mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$  is finite.