

Math 113 Homework 3  
due Tuesday July 7, 2009

- (1) **More about Direct Products.** Recall from homework # 2 that if  $G$  and  $H$  are groups, then the direct product  $G \times H$  is also a group. The operation on this group was  $(g_1, h_1) *_{G \times H} (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 *_G g_2, h_1 *_H h_2)$ .
- (a) Show that  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  is not cyclic and that  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$  is cyclic.
  - (b) Show that if  $A$  is a subgroup of  $G$  and  $B$  is a subgroup of  $H$ , then  $A \times B$  is a subgroup of  $G \times H$ .
  - (c) Give an example of groups  $G$  and  $H$ , and  $K$  a subgroup of  $G \times H$  so that  $K$  is not the direct product of subgroups from each of  $G$  and  $H$ .
  - (d) If  $L$  is a subgroup of  $G \times H$ , Define  $\pi(L)$ , the *projection* of  $L$  to  $G$  as

$$\pi(L) \equiv \{g \in G : (g, h) \in L \text{ for some } h \in H\}$$

Prove the  $\pi(L)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

- (2) Do exercise 3.26 in Judson.
- (3) Prove that if  $G$  is an abelian group,  $a, b \in G$ , and the orders of  $a$  and  $b$  are coprime, then the order of  $ab$  is the order of  $a$  times the order of  $b$ . Show that this can fail if  $G$  is not abelian.
- (4) If  $n$  is a positive odd integer and  $z$  is a  $(2n)$ -th root of unity, prove that either  $z$  or  $-z$  is an  $n$ th root of unity.
- (5) Do exercise 3.44 in Judson.
- (6) let  $\omega = (1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10\ 11\ 12\ 13\ 14)$ . For which integers  $i$  is  $\omega^i$  a 14-cycle?
- (7) Do exercise 4.13 in Judson.
- (8) Do exercise 4.30 in Judson