Math 546, Exam 3, Fall, 2022

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No calculators, cell phones, computers, notes, etc.

Make your work correct, complete, and coherent.

The exam is worth 50 points. Each problem is worth 10 points.

We use \mathcal{G} to mean the group of rigid motions of the plane under composition and we use D_3 to mean the subgroup of \mathcal{G} generated by σ and ρ , where σ is reflection across the *x*-axis and ρ is rotation counter-clockwise by $2\pi/3$ fixing the origin. Recall that

 $\sigma \circ \sigma = \mathrm{id}, \quad \rho \circ \rho \circ \rho = \mathrm{id}, \quad \mathrm{and} \quad \rho \circ \sigma = \sigma \circ \rho \circ \rho.$

The solutions will be posted later today.

(1) Consider $\phi: D_3 \to D_3$, which is given by $\phi(a) = \sigma \circ a$, for $a \in D_3$. Is ϕ a one-to-one and onto function? If so, prove it. If not, explain why not.

YES!

We show that ϕ is one-to-one. If a and b are in D_3 with $\phi(a) = \phi(b)$, then $\sigma \circ a = \sigma \circ b$. Multiply both sides on the left by σ 's inverse (which is σ) in order to see that a = b.

We show that ϕ is onto. If $a \in D_3$, then $\phi(\sigma \circ a) = a$ because $\sigma \circ \sigma = id$.

(2) Consider $\phi : D_3 \to D_3$, which is given by $\phi(a) = \sigma \circ a$, for $a \in D_3$. Is ϕ a group homomorphism? If so, prove it. If not, explain why not.

NO! We proved that every group homomorphism from the group G to the group G' carries the identity element of G to the identity element of G'. However this ϕ carries the identity element of D_3 to σ , which is NOT the identity element of D_3 .

(3) Let S be the set of left cosets of $H = \langle \sigma \rangle$ in D_3 . Consider $\Phi : S \times S \rightarrow S$, which is given by $\Phi(a \circ H, b \circ H) = (a \circ b) \circ H$, for $a, b \in D_3$. Is Φ a function? If so, prove it. If not, explain why not.

NO!! A function Φ carries each element of the domain of Φ to one element of the target of Φ . Observe that $(id \circ H, \rho \circ H)$ and $(\sigma \circ H, \sigma \circ$

 $\rho \circ \rho \circ H$) are equal elements of $S \times S$; however, $\Phi(\operatorname{id} \circ H, \rho \circ H)$ and $\Phi(\sigma \circ H, \sigma \circ \rho \circ \rho \circ H)$ are different elements of S. Indeed,

$$\sigma \circ H = \operatorname{id} \circ H$$

$$\sigma \circ \rho \circ \rho \circ H = \rho \circ H, \quad \text{but}$$

$$\sigma \circ \sigma \circ \rho \circ \rho \circ H \neq \operatorname{id} \circ \rho \circ H.$$

The inequality holds because

$$\sigma \circ \sigma \circ \rho \circ \rho \circ H = \rho \circ \rho \circ H = \{\rho \circ \rho, \sigma \circ \rho\}$$

and

$$\rho \circ H = \{\rho, \sigma\}.$$

(4) Let G the subgroup of (Z, +) generated by 339, 565, and 791. Which integer generates G? Explain.

Observe that (339, 565, 731) = (113). Indeed 339 = 3(113), 565 = 5(113), 791 = 7(113) and 113 = 2(339) - 565.

(5) Let U_{18} be the group of complex numbers which satisfy the equation $z^{18} = 1$. The operation in U_{18} is multiplication. List the subgroups of U_{18} ? Explain.

There is exactly one subgroup for each divisor d of 18 and that subgroup is $\langle u^{18/d} \rangle$, where $u = e^{2\pi i/18}$. The subgroup $\langle u^{18/d} \rangle$ has order d. The divisors of 18 are 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 18. The subgroups of U_{18} are $\langle u^{18} \rangle$, $\langle u^9 \rangle$, $\langle u^6 \rangle$, $\langle u^3 \rangle$, $\langle u^2 \rangle$, and $\langle u \rangle$.