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## CHAPTER 0 Preliminaries

1. $\{1,2,3,4\} ;\{1,3,5,7\} ;\{1,5,7,11\} ;\{1,3,7,9,11,13,17,19\}$;
$\{1,2,3,4,6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,16,17,18,19,21,22,23,24\}$
2. a. $2 ; 10$ b. $4 ; 40$ c. $4: 120 ;$ d. $1 ; 1050$ e. $p q^{2} ; p^{2} q^{3}$
3. $12,2,2,10,1,0,4,5$.
4. $s=-3, t=2 ; s=8, t=-5$
5. By using 0 as an exponent if necessary, we may write $a=p_{1}^{m_{1}} \cdots p_{k}^{m_{k}}$ and $b=p_{1}^{n_{1}} \cdots p_{k}^{n_{k}}$, where the $p$ 's are distinct primes and the $m$ 's and $n$ 's are nonnegative. Then $\operatorname{lcm}(a, b)=p_{1}^{s_{1}} \cdots p_{k}^{s_{k}}$, where $s_{i}=\max \left(m_{i}, n_{i}\right)$ and $\operatorname{gcd}(a, b)=p_{1}^{t_{1}} \cdots p_{k}^{t_{k}}$, where $t_{i}=\min \left(m_{i}, n_{i}\right)$ Then $\operatorname{lcm}(a, b) \cdot \operatorname{gcd}(a, b)=p_{1}^{m_{1}+n_{1}} \cdots p_{k}^{m_{k}+n_{k}}=a b$.
6. The first part follows from the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic; for the second part, take $a=4, b=6, c=12$.
7. Write $a=n q_{1}+r_{1}$ and $b=n q_{2}+r_{2}$, where $0 \leq r_{1}, r_{2}<n$. We may assume that $r_{1} \geq r_{2}$. Then $a-b=n\left(q_{1}-q_{2}\right)+\left(r_{1}-r_{2}\right)$, where $r_{1}-r_{2} \geq 0$. If $a \bmod n=b \bmod n$, then $r_{1}=r_{2}$ and $n$ divides $a-b$. If $n$ divides $a-b$, then by the uniqueness of the remainder, we then have $r_{1}-r_{2}=0$. Thus, $r_{1}=r_{2}$ and therefore $a \bmod n=b \bmod n$.
8. Write $a s+b t=d$. Then $a^{\prime} s+b^{\prime} t=(a / d) s+(b / d) t=1$.
9. By Exercise 7, to prove that $(a+b) \bmod n=\left(a^{\prime}+b^{\prime}\right) \bmod n$ and $(a b) \bmod n=\left(a^{\prime} b^{\prime}\right) \bmod n$ it suffices to show that $n$ divides $(a+b)-\left(a^{\prime}+b^{\prime}\right)$ and $a b-a^{\prime} b^{\prime}$. Since $n$ divides both $a-a^{\prime}$ and $n$ divides $b-b^{\prime}$, it divides their difference. Because $a=a^{\prime} \bmod n$ and $b=b^{\prime} \bmod n$ there are integers $s$ and $t$ such that $a=a^{\prime}+n s$ and $b=b^{\prime}+n t$. Thus $a b=\left(a^{\prime}+n s\right)\left(b^{\prime}+n t\right)=a^{\prime} b^{\prime}+n s b^{\prime}+a^{\prime} n t+n s n t$. Thus, $a b-a^{\prime} b^{\prime}$ is divisible by $n$.
10. Write $d=a u+b v$. Since $t$ divides both $a$ and $b$, it divides $d$. Write $s=m q+r$ where $0 \leq r<m$. Then $r=s-m q$ is a common multiple of both $a$ and $b$ so $r=0$.
11. Suppose that there is an integer $n$ such that $a b \bmod n=1$. Then there is an integer $q$ such that $a b-n q=1$. Since $d$ divides both $a$ and $n, d$ also divides 1 . So, $d=1$. On the other hand, if $d=1$, then by the corollary of Theorem 0.2 , there are integers $s$ and $t$ such that $a s+n t=1$. Thus, modulo $n$, as $=1$.

## CHAPTER 8

## External Direct Products

1. Closure and associativity in the product follows from the closure and associativity in each component. The identity in the product is the $n$-tuple with the identity in each component. The inverse of $\left(g_{1}, g_{2}, \ldots, g_{n}\right)$ is $\left(g_{1}^{-1}, g_{2}^{-1}, \ldots, g_{n}^{-1}\right)$.
2. In general, $(1,1, \ldots, 1)$ is an element of largest order in $Z_{n_{1}} \oplus Z_{n_{2}} \oplus \cdots \oplus Z_{n_{t}}$. To see this note that because the order of the 1 in each component is the order of the group in that component, $|(1,1, \ldots, 1)|$ $=\operatorname{lcm}\left(n_{1}, n_{2}, \ldots, n_{t}\right)$ and the order of every element in the product must divide $\operatorname{lcm}\left(n_{1}, n_{2}, \ldots, n_{t}\right)$.
3. The mapping $\phi(g)=\left(g, e_{H}\right)$ is an isomorphism from $G$ to $G \oplus\left\{e_{H}\right\}$. To verify that $\phi$ is one-to-one, we note that $\phi(g)=\phi\left(g^{\prime}\right)$ implies $\left(g, e_{H}\right)=\left(g^{\prime}, e_{H}\right)$ which means that $g=g^{\prime}$. The element $\left(g, e_{H}\right) \in G \oplus\left\{e_{H}\right\}$ is the image of $g$. Finally, $\phi\left(\left(g, e_{H}\right)\left(g^{\prime}, e_{H}\right)\right)=$ $\phi\left(\left(g g^{\prime}, e_{H} e_{H}\right)\right)=\phi\left(\left(g g^{\prime}, e_{H}\right)\right)=g g^{\prime}=\phi\left(\left(g, e_{H}\right)\right) \phi\left(\left(g^{\prime}, e_{H}\right)\right)$. A similar argument shows that $\phi(h)=\left(e_{G}, h\right)$ is an isomorphism from $H$ onto $\left\{e_{G}\right\} \oplus H$.
4. $(g, h)\left(g^{\prime}, h^{\prime}\right)=\left(g^{\prime}, h^{\prime}\right)(g, h)$ for all $g, g^{\prime}, h, h^{\prime}$ if and only if $g g^{\prime}=g^{\prime} g$ and $h h^{\prime}=h^{\prime} h$, that is, if and only if $G$ and $H$ are Abelian. A corresponding statement holds for the external direct product of any number of groups.
5. If $Z \oplus Z=\langle(a, b)\rangle$ then neither $a$ nor $b$ is 0 . But then $(1,0) \notin\langle(a, b)\rangle$. $Z \oplus G$ is not cycle when $|G|>1$.
6. $Z_{8} \oplus Z_{2}$ contains elements of order 8 , while $Z_{4} \oplus Z_{4}$ does not.
7. Define a mapping from $G_{1} \oplus G_{2}$ to $G_{2} \oplus G_{1}$ by $\phi\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right)=\left(g_{2}, g_{1}\right)$. To verify that $\phi$ is one-to-one, we note that $\phi\left(\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right)\right)=\phi\left(\left(g_{1}^{\prime}, g_{2}^{\prime}\right)\right)$ implies $\left(g_{2}, g_{1}\right)=\left(g_{2}^{\prime}, g_{1}^{\prime}\right)$. From this we obtain that $g_{1}=g_{1}^{\prime}$ and $g_{2}=g_{2}^{\prime}$. The element $\left(g_{2}, g_{1}\right)$ is the image on $\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right)$ so $\phi$ is onto. Finally, $\phi\left(\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right)\left(g_{1}^{\prime}, g_{2}^{\prime}\right)\right)=\phi\left(\left(g_{1} g_{1}^{\prime}, g_{2} g_{2}^{\prime}\right)\right)=\left(g_{2} g_{2}^{\prime}, g_{1} g_{1}^{\prime}\right)=\left(g_{2}, g_{1}\right)\left(g_{2}^{\prime}, g_{1}^{\prime}\right)=$ $\phi\left(\left(g_{1}, g_{2}\right)\right) \phi\left(\left(g_{1}^{\prime}, g_{2}^{\prime}\right)\right)$. In general, the external direct product of any number of groups is isomorphic to the external direct product of any rearrangement of those groups.
8. No, $Z_{3} \oplus Z_{9}$ does not have an element of order 27. See also Theorem 8.2.
9. In $Z_{6} \oplus Z_{2},|\langle(1,0)\rangle|=6$ and $|\langle(1,1)\rangle|=6$.
10. Consider $\langle 2, x\rangle=\{2 f(x)+x g(x) \mid f(x), g(x) \in Z[x]\}$.
11. We start with $(x-1 / 2)(x+1 / 3)$ and clear fractions to obtain $(6 x-3)(6 x+2)$ as one possible solution.
12. If $a$ had multiplicity greater than 1 , then we could write $f(x)=(x-a)^{2} g(x)$. Now use the product rule to calculate $f^{\prime}(x)$.
13. The proof given for Theorem 16.2 with $g(x)=x-a$ is valid over any commutative ring with unity. Moreover, the proofs for Corollaries 1 and 2 of Theorem 16.2 are also valid over any commutative ring with unity.
14. Notice that the proof of the division algorithm holds for integral domains when $g(x)$ has the form $x-a$. Likewise the proofs of the Factor Theorem and Corollary 3 of Theorem 16.2 hold.
15. Observe that $f(x) \in I$ if and only if $f(1)=0$. Then if $f$ and $g$ belong to $I$ and $h$ belongs to $F[x]$, we have $(f-g)(1)=f(1)-g(1)=0-0$ and $(h f)(1)=h(1) f(1)=h(1) \cdot 0=0 . S o, I$ is an ideal. By Theorem 16.5, $I=\langle x-1\rangle$.
16. Use the Factor Theorem.
17. This follows directly from Corollary 2 of Theorem 15.5 and Exercise 11 in this chapter.
18. Consider the ideal $\left\langle x^{3}-x\right\rangle$.
19. For any $a$ in $U(p), a^{p-1}=1$, so every member of $U(p)$ is a zero of $x^{p-1}-1$. From the Factor Theorem (Corollary 2 of Theorem 16.2) we obtain that $g(x)=(x-1)(x-2) \cdots(x-(p-1))$ is a factor of $x^{p-1}-1$. Since both $g(x)$ and $x^{p-1}-1$ have lead coefficient 1 , the same degree, and their difference has $p-1$ zeros, their difference must be 0 (for otherwise their difference would be a polynomial of degree less than $p-1$ that had $p-1$ zeros).
20. By Theorem 16.5 the only possibility for $g(x)$ is $\pm(x-1)$. By Theorem $15.3 Z[x] / \operatorname{Ker} \phi$ is isomorphic $Z$. The only possibilities for $g(x)$ are $a(x-1)$ where $a$ is any nonzero rational number. $Q[x] / \operatorname{Ker} \phi$ is isomorphic $Q . x$ in $Z$. But then $g(x)=f(x)-a$ has infinitely many zeros. This contradicts Corollary 3 of Theorem 16.2.
21. $\mathbf{C}(x)$ (field of quotients of $\mathbf{C}[x]$ ). Since $p$ does not divide $(p-1)$ we know that $p$ divides $(p-2)!-1$. Thus, $(p-2)!\bmod p=1$.
22. When $n$ is prime, use Exercise 37. When $n$ is composite and greater than $4,(n-1)!\bmod n=0$.
23. By Exercise 38, $(p-1)!\bmod p=p-1$. So, $p$ divides $(p-1)!-(p-1)=(p-1)((p-2)!-1)$.

## CHAPTER 28 <br> Frieze Groups and Crystallographic Groups

1. The mapping $\phi\left(x^{m} y^{n}\right)=(m, n)$ is an isomorphism. Onto is by observation. If $\phi\left(x^{m} y^{n}\right)=\phi\left(x^{i} y^{j}\right)$, then $(m, n)=(i, j)$ and therefore, $m=n$ and $i=j$. Also, $\phi\left(\left(x^{m} y^{n}\right)\left(x^{i} y^{j}\right)\right)=\phi\left(x^{m+i} y^{n+j}\right)=$ $(m+i, n+j)=(m, n)(i, j)=\phi\left(x^{m} y^{n}\right) \phi\left(x^{i} y^{j}\right)$.
2. 4
3. Using Figure 28.9 we obtain $x^{2} y z x z=x y$.
4. $x^{-4} y$
5. Use Figure 28.9.
6. Use Figure 28.8 .
7. $x^{2} y z x z=x^{2} y x^{-1}=x^{2} x^{-1} y=x y$ $x^{-3} z x z y=x^{-3} x^{-1} y=x^{-4} y$
8. It suffices to show $y^{-1} x y=x^{i}$ and $z^{-1} x z=x^{j}$ for some $i$ and $j$.
9. A subgroup of index 2 is normal.
10. a. V, b. I, c. II, d. VI, e. VII, and f. III.
11. a. V b. III c. VII d. IV e. V
12. cmm
13. Reading down the columns starting on the left we have:
$p g g, p m m, p 2, p 1, c m m, p m g, p g, p m, p 3, p 4, p 4 m, p 4 g, c m, p 6$, p3m1, p31m, p6m.
14. a. $p 4 m$, b. $p 3$, c. $p 31 m$, and d. $p 6 m$
15. The top row

$$
\alpha^{-3} \beta^{2}, \alpha^{-2} \beta^{2}, \alpha^{-1} \beta^{2}, \beta^{2}, \alpha \beta^{2} .
$$

The bottom row is

$$
\alpha^{-2} \beta^{-1}, \alpha^{-1} \beta^{-1}, \beta^{-1}, \alpha \beta^{-1}, \alpha^{2} \beta^{-1}, \alpha^{3} \beta^{-1} .
$$

