

MA208 Solutions Week 8

Exercise 12.1

$$\begin{array}{llll} 1_G\theta = 1_G, & x\theta = y^3, & x^2\theta = y^2, & x^3\theta = y \\ x^4\theta = 1_G, & x^5\theta = y^3, & x^6\theta = y^2, & x^7\theta = y \end{array}$$

Exercise 12.2

1. Let θ be the mapping from $Z_3(\oplus)$ to $Z_2(\oplus)$. For θ to be a homomorphism $(ab)\theta = a\theta.b\theta$
 Then $([1] \oplus [2])\theta = [0]\theta = [0]$
 But $[1]\theta \oplus [2]\theta = [1] \oplus [0] = [1]$ since these give different results θ is NOT a homomorphism

2. $G = Z_6(\oplus) = \{[0], [1], [2], [3], [4], [5]\}$ and $G' = \{1, \phi, \phi^2\}$ where ϕ is a rotation of 120°
orders 1 6 3 2 3 6 1 3 3

there are 2 possible non-trivial homomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{lll} [0], [3] \rightarrow 1, & [1], [4] \rightarrow \phi, & [2], [5] \rightarrow \phi^2 \\ \text{or } [0], [3] \rightarrow 1, & [1], [4] \rightarrow \phi^2, & [2], [5] \rightarrow \phi \end{array}$$

3. $G = \{Z_5 - [0]\}(\otimes) = \{[1], [2], [3], [4]\}$ and $G' = \{1, a, b, ab\}$ (see page 5)
orders 1 4 4 2 1 2 2 2

there are 3 possible non-trivial homomorphisms:

$$\begin{array}{ll} [1], [4] \rightarrow 1, & [2], [3] \rightarrow a \\ [1], [4] \rightarrow 1, & [2], [3] \rightarrow b \\ [1], [4] \rightarrow 1, & [2], [3] \rightarrow ab \end{array}$$

4. If G is abelian then

$$(ab)\theta = (ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1} = a\theta b\theta \Rightarrow \theta \text{ is a homomorphism}$$

Conversely, if θ is a homomorphism then

$$\begin{aligned} (ab)\theta = a\theta b\theta &\Rightarrow (ab)^{-1} = a^{-1}b^{-1} \Rightarrow a(ab)^{-1} = a a^{-1}b^{-1} \Rightarrow a(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1} \Rightarrow ba(ab)^{-1} = bb^{-1} \\ &\Rightarrow ba(ab)^{-1} = 1 \Rightarrow ba(ab)^{-1}(ab) = 1.ab \Rightarrow ba = ab \Rightarrow G \text{ is abelian} \end{aligned}$$

5. If $x, y, \in G\theta$ then $a\theta = x$ and $b\theta = y$ where $a, b \in G$ so

$$xy^{-1} = a\theta.(b\theta)^{-1} = a\theta.(b^{-1})\theta = (ab^{-1})\theta \Rightarrow xy^{-1} \in G\theta \text{ and so } G\theta \text{ is a subgroup of } G'$$

6. $G = \{1, a, b, ab\}$ $a^2=1, b^2=1, ab=ba$ and $G' = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$
orders 1 2 2 2 1 2 4 4

If two groups are isomorphic the corresponding elements have the same orders. There are no elements in G of order 4, ie there is nothing that will map onto i or $-i$. Thus G and G' are not isomorphic.

The possible homomorphisms are:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1, ab \rightarrow 1, & a, b \rightarrow -1 \\ 1, a \rightarrow 1, & ab, b \rightarrow -1 \\ 1, b \rightarrow 1, & a, ab \rightarrow -1 \end{array}$$

7. $(x + y)\theta = [x + y] = [x] \oplus [y] = x\theta \oplus y\theta \Rightarrow \theta$ is a homomorphism

$$\ker \theta = \{x : [x] = [0]\} = [0] \text{ mod } m$$

8. $(n + m)\theta = i^{n+m} = i^n i^m = n\theta.m\theta$

$$\ker \theta = \{n : n\theta = 1\} = \{n : i^n = 1\} = \{4k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

9. $1 \rightarrow 1, \quad a \rightarrow cd, \quad b \rightarrow c, \quad a^2 \rightarrow dc, \quad ab \rightarrow cdc, \quad ba \rightarrow d$
 is an isomorphism.