

Two solutions back to back

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Exam I: Abstract Algebra, MTH 320, Fall 2017

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QUESTION 1. Let  $(D, *)$  be a group.

(i) (5 points). Assume that  $a * b = b * a$  for some  $a, b \in D$ . Prove that  $a * b^{-1} = b^{-1} * a$ .

From the question we have  $a * b = b * a$

$$\Rightarrow b^{-1} * a * b * b^{-1} = b^{-1} * b * a * b^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^{-1} * a = a * b^{-1}$$

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(ii) (5 points). Let  $C = \{x \in D \mid x * y = y * x \forall y \in D\}$ . (i.e., each element in  $C$  commutes with every element in  $D$ ). Prove that  $C$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$  (Hint: you may need to use part (i))

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show that if  $a, b \in C$  then  $a * b^{-1} \in C$

let  $a, b \in C \Rightarrow \forall y \in D$  we have  $a * y = y * a, b * y = y * b$

$$\Rightarrow a * b^{-1} * y = a * y * b^{-1} = y * a * b^{-1} \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in C$$

← using (i)

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~~show normality  $\Rightarrow$  show  $x * k * x^{-1} \in C \forall x \in D, k \in C$~~

$$\Rightarrow \text{let } x, y \in D, k \in C \Rightarrow x * k * x^{-1} * y * (x * k * x^{-1})^{-1} = k * y * k^{-1}$$

$$= k^{-1} * y * k$$

$$= (x * k * x^{-1})^{-1} * y * x * k * x$$

$\Rightarrow x * k * x^{-1} \in C \Rightarrow C \triangleleft D$  (Note  $k \in C$  can commute with any element in  $D$  this way used to do the simplification).

(iii) (5 points). Let  $C$  as in (ii). Assume that  $D/C$  is cyclic. Prove that  $D$  is an abelian group.

$D/C$  is cyclic  $\Rightarrow D/C = \langle a * C \rangle$  for some  $a \in D$

$\Rightarrow$  every element  $x \in D$  can be written as  $x = a^i * C$  for some  $i \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $C \in C$ . This is due to the fact that the union of the cosets give you the group (if countable).

$$\Rightarrow \text{let } x, y \in D \Rightarrow x * y = a^{i_1} * c_1 * a^{i_2} * c_2$$

$$= a^{i_1} * a^{i_2} * c_1 * c_2$$

$$= a^{i_2} * c_2 * a^{i_1} * c_1$$

$$= y * x$$

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Note that  $c_1, c_2$  commute with every element and  $a^i * a^j = a^{i+j}$

$$= a^{i_2} * a^{i_1} * c_2 * c_1$$

QUESTION 2. Let  $D = (\mathbb{Z}_6, +) \times (\mathbb{Z}_5^*, \cdot)$

(i) (3 points). Find  $|(5, 2)|$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{in } \mathbb{Z}_6: |6| = |11| = 6 & \Rightarrow |(5, 2)| = \text{lcm}(6, 4) = 12 \\ \text{in } \mathbb{Z}_5^*: |2| = 4 & \end{aligned}$$

(ii) (6 points). Construct two subgroups of  $D$ , say  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , such that each has 4 elements and  $H_1 = F_1 \times F_2$ ,  $H_2 = L_1 \times L_2$  for some subgroups  $F_1, L_1$  of  $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$  and some subgroups  $F_2, L_2$  of  $(\mathbb{Z}_5^*, \cdot)$ .

$$\text{let } F_1 = \{0, 3\}, \quad F_2 = \{1, 4\}$$

$$L_1 = \{0\}, \quad L_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

$\Rightarrow F_1 \times F_2$  is a subgroup of order 4  
 $L_1 \times L_2$  is a subgroup of order 4

(iii) (3 points) Convince me that  $D$  does not have an element of order 24.

if  $D$  has an element of order 24 then it is cyclic, but since  $D$  has 2 distinct subgroups of order 4 then it can't be cyclic thus it can't have an element of order 24.

(iv) (4 points). Construct a subgroup of  $D$ , say  $H$ , such that  $H$  has 4 elements, but there is no subgroup  $N_1$  of  $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$  and there is no subgroup  $N_2$  of  $(\mathbb{Z}_5^*, \cdot)$  such that  $H = N_1 \times N_2$ .

$$H = \langle (3, 2) \rangle = \{ (3, 2), (0, 4), (3, 3), (0, 1) \} \text{ is of order}$$

4 and can't be constructed by multiplying 2 subgroups.

For if  $H = N_1 \times N_2$ , then  $|N_2| = |\mathbb{Z}_5^*| = 4$  and

$|N_1| \geq 2$ , Hence  $|H| \geq 8$ , Impossible

since  $|H| = 4$ .

QUESTION 3. (i) (4 points). Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot)$  group-isomorphic to  $(U(9), \cdot)$ ? If yes, then prove it. If no, then tell me why not?

$$(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot) = \langle 3 \rangle \cong (\mathbb{Z}_6, +) \quad \text{and} \quad U(9) \cong (\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$$

$\downarrow$  since  $|3| = 6$ 
 $\downarrow$  and, is odd  $\Rightarrow U(9)$  is cyclic with  $\phi(9) = 6$  element

Since both are cyclic with 6 element we know they are isomorphic  
i.e.  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot) \cong (\mathbb{Z}_6, +) \cong (U(9), \cdot)$

(ii) (4 points). Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{75}^*, \cdot)$  group-isomorphic to  $(U(75), \cdot)$ ? If yes, then prove it. If no, then tell me why not?

No it is not ~~isomorphic~~  $\cong U(41) \Rightarrow$  cyclic  
while  $75 = 3 \times 5^2 \Rightarrow U(75)$  is not cyclic  
 $\Rightarrow$  they are not isomorphic

(iii) (6 points). Let  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & 7 & 4 & 9 & 8 & 2 & 6 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in S_9$ . Find  $|f|$ . Is  $f \in A_9$ ? explain

$$f = (1 \ 3 \ 4 \ 9) (8 \ 5) (6 \ 2 \ 7) \Rightarrow |f| = \text{lcm}\{4, 2, 3\} = 12$$

$\downarrow$  5 (2-cycles)       $\downarrow$  1 (2-cycles)       $\downarrow$  4 (2-cycles)

$\Rightarrow f$  can be written as 10 (2-cycles)  $\Rightarrow f \in A_9$ .

(iv) (6 points). Let  $(D, *)$  be a group. Assume that  $a * b = b * a$  for some  $a, b \in D$ ,  $|a| = n$ , and  $|b| = m$ . Let  $u = \text{lcm}[n, m]$ . Prove that  $D$  has a cyclic subgroup with  $u$  elements. (Hint: You may need the fact: if  $d = \text{gcd}(n, m)$ , then  $\text{gcd}(\frac{n}{d}, m) = 1$  OR  $\text{gcd}(n, \frac{m}{d}) = 1$ ).

~~Let  $d = \text{gcd}(n, m)$  and let  $\text{gcd}(\frac{n}{d}, m) = 1$  (the same way can be done with  $\text{gcd}(n, \frac{m}{d}) = 1$ )~~

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$$\Rightarrow |a^d| = \frac{n}{\text{gcd}(n, d)} = \frac{n}{d} \quad \text{and since } |b| = m \text{ and } a * b = b * a \text{ and } \text{gcd}(\frac{n}{d}, m) = 1$$

$$\text{we have } |a^d * b| = \frac{n}{d} * m = \frac{nm}{d} = \text{lcm}(m, n)$$

$\Rightarrow \langle a^d * b \rangle$  is a cyclic subgroup of  $D$  with  $u = \text{lcm}(m, n)$  element

In case  $\text{gcd}(\frac{m}{d}, n) = 1$  we take  $\langle a * b^d \rangle$ .

QUESTION 4. (i) (6 points). Is there a group-homomorphism  $f : (Z_{18}, +) \rightarrow (Z_9, +)$  such that  $f$  is nontrivial and  $f$  is not ONTO? If yes, then construct such  $f$  and find  $Range(f)$  and  $Ker(f)$ . If such  $f$  does not exist, EXPLAIN.

$$f(1^i) = 1^{3i} \Rightarrow f(1^{i_1} + 1^{i_2}) = f(1^{i_1+i_2}) = 1^{3(i_1+i_2)} = 1^{3i_1+3i_2} = 1^{3i_1} + 1^{3i_2} = f(1^{i_1}) + f(1^{i_2})$$

$\Rightarrow f$  is a homomorphism

$$Range(f) = \langle 3 \rangle = \{3, 6, 0\}, Ker(f) = \{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 0\}$$

Yes, there is.

(ii) (6 points). Let  $(D, *)$  be a group with 155 elements. Assume that  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$  with 5 elements. Prove that  $H$  is the only subgroup of  $D$  with 5 elements. If  $a \in D \setminus H$  and  $|a| \neq 31$ , prove that  $D$  is cyclic.

\* Deny that  $H$  is the only subgroup of  $D$  with 5 elements  $\Rightarrow \exists H_2$  such that  $|H_2| = |H| = 5$  and since 5 is prime then both are disjoint & cyclic  $\Rightarrow |H_2 H| = \frac{25}{|H \cap H_2|} = 25$  and since  $H \triangleleft D, H H_2 \triangleleft D$  yet  $25 \nmid 155$  (contradiction)  $\Rightarrow H$  is the only subgroup of order 5.

\*  $H$  has the only elements of order 5  $\Rightarrow a \in D \setminus H \Rightarrow |a| \neq 5, |a| \neq 1$  and since  $|a| \neq 31$  the only remaining divisor of 155 is 155 itself  $\Rightarrow |a| = 155 \Rightarrow D = \langle a \rangle$  is cyclic.

(iii) (Bonus 7 points). Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a group  $(D, *)$ . Assume that for each  $a \in D \setminus H$ , we have  $x_1 * x_2 * x_3 * x_4 \in a * H$  for every  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in a * H$  (note that  $x_1, \dots, x_4$  need not be distinct). Prove that  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$ .

Idea: Let  $h \in H$  and  $a \in D \setminus H$ , show  $a h a^{-1} = h_1 \in H$ .

First: observe  $a \in a * H \xrightarrow{\text{by hypothesis}} a^4 \in a * H \Rightarrow a^4 = a * n$  (some  $n \in H$ )  $\Rightarrow a^3 = n \in H$ . Hence  $n^{-1} = a^{-3} \in H$ .

Now  $(a * h) * (a * h * a^{-3}) * a^2 = a * h_2$  (some  $h_2 \in H$ )

$\Rightarrow h * (a * h) * a^{-1} = h_2$  (cancel  $a$  from both sides)

$\Rightarrow (a * h) * a^{-1} = h^{-1} * h_2 = h_1 \in H$

$\Rightarrow a * h = h_1 * a$ . Done.

Faculty information

To show  $C \triangleleft D$  we show that  $\forall a \in D$

$$a * C = C * a. \text{ ~~we need to show~~ }$$

$\Rightarrow$  let  $a \in D, c \in C$  show that  $a * c * a^{-1} \in C$ .

$$a * c * a^{-1} = a * a^{-1} * c = e * c = c \in C. \Rightarrow C \triangleleft D.$$

Q1 (ii) continues here

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QUESTION 1. Let  $(D, *)$  be a group.(i) (5 points). Assume that  $a * b = b * a$  for some  $a, b \in D$ . Prove that  $a * b^{-1} = b^{-1} * a$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 a * b = b * a &\Rightarrow a * b * b^{-1} = b * a * b^{-1} \\
 \therefore a * e &= b * a * b^{-1} \Rightarrow a = b * a * b^{-1} \\
 \therefore b^{-1} * a &= (b^{-1} * b) * a * b^{-1} \\
 \therefore b^{-1} * a &= a * b^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) (5 points). Let  $C = \{x \in D \mid x * y = y * x \forall y \in D\}$ . (i.e., each element in  $C$  commutes with every element in  $D$ ). Prove that  $C$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$  (Hint: you may need to use part (i))I. We show  $C \triangleleft D$ . Let  $a, b \in C$ .  $\therefore a * x = x * a, b * x = x * b \forall x \in D$ To Prove:  $b^{-1} * a \in C$ . i.e.  $(b^{-1} * a) * x = x * (b^{-1} * a) \forall x \in D$ 

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof: } (b^{-1} * a) * x &= b^{-1} * x * a \quad (\because a * x = x * a) \\
 &= x * (b^{-1} * a) \quad (\text{By Part (i)})
 \end{aligned}$$

 $\therefore C \triangleleft D$ . To Prove:  $x * C = C * x \forall x \in D$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Proof: } x * C &= \{x * c \mid c, \in C\} \quad \text{but } x * c_1 = c_1 * x \\
 &= \{c_1 * x \mid c_1, \in C\} = C * x \quad \therefore C \triangleleft D.
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) (5 points). Let  $C$  as in (ii). Assume that  $D/C$  is cyclic. Prove that  $D$  is an abelian group. $D/C$  is cyclic.  $\therefore$  since  $D/C = \{a * C \mid a \in D\}$  is cyclic:

$$\text{Let } D/C = \{c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots\} \quad c_1 = a_1 * C$$

Elements in  $C$  commute with every element. To Show:  $a * b = b * a \forall a, b \in D$ .

$$a_1 * C = a_k^x * C \quad \text{for some } a_k \text{ (the generator).}$$

$$a_2 * C = a_k^y * C \quad (\because D/C \text{ is cyclic}).$$

$$\therefore a_1 = a_k^x * c_1 \quad \text{for some } c_1 \in C.$$

$$a_2 = a_k^y * c_2 \quad \text{for some } c_2 \in C.$$

$$a_1 * a_2 = (a_k^x * c_1) * (a_k^y * c_2) = a_k^x * a_k^y * c_1 * c_2 \quad (\text{P.T.O.})$$

QUESTION 2. Let  $D = (Z_6, +) \times (Z_5^*, \cdot)$

(i) (3 points). Find  $|(5,2)|$ .  $|(5,2)| = \text{LCM}(|5|, |2|)$

But:  $5 \in Z_6 \Rightarrow |5| = 6 \parallel (\because |5| = |5^{-1}| = |1| = 6 \because 6 = \langle 17 \rangle)$

$2 \in Z_5^* \Rightarrow |2| = 4 \parallel (\because 2^1 = 2, 2^2 = 4, 2^3 = 3, 2^4 = 1)$

$\therefore \text{LCM}(6,4) = 12 \Rightarrow |(5,2)| = 12 \parallel$

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$$H_1 = F_1 \times F_2, \quad H_2 = L_1 \times L_2$$

Constructing  $H_1$ :

Pick  $F_1 = \{0, 3\}$ ,  $F_2 = \{1, 4\}$ . Note:  $F_1 < Z_6$ ,  $F_2 < Z_5^*$

$\therefore F_1 \times F_2 < (Z_6, +) \times (Z_5^*, \cdot) \Rightarrow H_1 = F_1 \times F_2 < D$  (by Theorem:  $A < X, B < Y \Rightarrow A \times B < X \times Y$ )

Constructing  $H_2$ :

$L_1 = \{0\}$ ,  $L_2 = Z_5^*$ .  $\therefore L_1 \times L_2 < D_2 \because L_1 < Z_6, L_2 < Z_5^*$

(iii) (3 points) Convince me that  $D$  does not have an element of order 24.

$|D| = 24$ . In other words we show  $D$  is NOT Cyclic. ( $\because$  It cannot have element of order 24)

Maximum possible Order of an Element in  $D$ .

Let  $Z_6 = \langle a \rangle$ ,  $(Z_5^*, \cdot) = \langle b \rangle$  (They are both cyclic)  
 But  $\text{gcd}(|a|, |b|) = \text{gcd}(6, 4) = 2$   
 $\therefore |(a, b)| = \text{LCM}(|a|, |b|) = \frac{|a||b|}{\text{gcd}(|a|, |b|)} \therefore |(a, b)| = 12 \text{ at max} \Rightarrow \text{NEVER cyclic}$

(iv) (4 points). Construct a subgroup of  $D$ , say  $H$ , such that  $H$  has 4 elements, but there is no subgroup  $N_1$  of  $(Z_6, +)$  and there is no subgroup  $N_2$  of  $(Z_5^*, \cdot)$  such that  $H = N_1 \times N_2$ .

Consider  $H = \{(0,1), (2,3), (3,4), (5,2)\}$

$H$  must contain Identity

	$(0,1)$	$(2,3)$	$(3,4)$	$(5,2)$
$(0,1)$	$(0,1)$	$(2,3)$	$(3,4)$	$(5,2)$
$(2,3)$	$(2,3)$			
$(3,4)$	$(3,4)$			
$(5,2)$	$(5,2)$			

$\therefore (0,1) \in H$

Consider Subgroups (non-trivial):

$(Z_6, +): \{0, 3\}, \{0, 2, 4\}, \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, \{0\}$

$(Z_5^*, \cdot): \{1, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, \{1\}$

$\therefore$  we must form a group which is not  $\{0, 3\} \times \{1, 4\}$

QUESTION 3. (i) (4 points). Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot)$  group-isomorphic to  $(U(9), \cdot)$ ? If yes, then prove it. If no, then tell me why not?

YES:

$$|\mathbb{Z}_7^*| = 6 \text{ and } \mathbb{Z}_7^* = \cancel{U(7)}. \therefore \phi(7) = 7-1 = \underline{6}$$

$$|U(9)| = \phi(9) = \underline{6} \therefore \text{Both are } \underline{\text{CYCLIC}} \text{ and}$$

~~IS~~ BOTH ORDERS = 6

$\therefore$  Both are Isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +) \Rightarrow$  They are Isomorphic to each other.

(ii) (4 points). Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{41}^*, \cdot)$  group-isomorphic to  $(U(75), \cdot)$ ? If yes, then prove it. If no, then tell me why not?

NO.  $(\mathbb{Z}_{41}^*, \cdot) = (U(41), \cdot)$  and 41 is prime

$\therefore (\mathbb{Z}_{41}^*, \cdot)$  is cyclic

$U(75) = U(3 \cdot 5^2)$  is not of the form  $p^m, 2p^m, 4p^m$ .

$\therefore U(75)$  is NOT Cyclic.

(iii) (6 points). Let  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 3 & 7 & 4 & 9 & 8 & 2 & 6 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in S_9$ . Find  $|f|$ . Is  $f \in A_9$ ? explain

$$f = (1 \ 3 \ 4 \ 9)(2 \ 7 \ 6)(5 \ 8). \text{ (Disjoint)}$$

$$\therefore |f| = \text{LCM}(4, 3, 2) = \underline{12}$$

Rewrite f:

$$f = (1 \ 9) \circ (1 \ 4) \circ (1 \ 3) \circ (2 \ 6) \circ (2 \ 7) \circ (5 \ 8)$$

= 6 2-cycles.  $\therefore f \in A_9$ . It is even because it is composed of 6 2-cycles.

(iv) (6 points). Let  $(D, *)$  be a group. Assume that  $a * b = b * a$  for some  $a, b \in D$ ,  $|a| = n$ , and  $|b| = m$ . Let  $u = \text{lcm}(n, m)$ . Prove that  $D$  has a cyclic subgroup with  $u$  elements. (Hint: You may need the fact: if  $d = \text{gcd}(n, m)$ , then  $\text{gcd}(\frac{n}{d}, \frac{m}{d}) = 1$  OR  $\text{gcd}(n, \frac{m}{d}) = 1$ ).

$$a, b \in D. \quad a * b = b * a. \quad |a| = n, \quad |b| = m, \quad u = \text{lcm}(n, m)$$

We prove:  $\exists x \in D$  st  $|x| = u$ .  $\therefore \langle u \rangle$  is our Subgroup

Case I:  $\text{gcd}(m, n) = 1$ .

$$\text{Then } |a * b| = |a| |b| = \alpha u \text{ for some } \alpha.$$

$\therefore$  Then  $|\langle a * b \rangle| = \alpha u \Rightarrow \exists$  a Subgroup (Unique) of order  $u$  inside this.

$\therefore u | (\alpha u)$

Case II:  $\text{gcd}(m, n) = d$ .

$$\text{Note: } m n = d u$$

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$$|\text{Range}(f)| \mid |\mathbb{Z}_9| \quad \text{and} \quad |\text{Range}(f)| \mid |\mathbb{Z}_{18}| \quad \therefore |\text{Range}(f)| \text{ divides } 9 \text{ and } 18.$$

$$\therefore |\text{Range}(f)| = \underline{3} \quad \therefore \text{NOT ONTO}.$$

$$|\mathbb{Z}_9 / \text{Ker}(f)| \cong \text{Range}(f) \Rightarrow \frac{|\mathbb{Z}_9|}{|\text{Ker}(f)|} = 3 \Rightarrow |\text{Ker}(f)| = \underline{6}$$

Since  $\mathbb{Z}_9, \mathbb{Z}_{18}$  are cyclic, they have unique cyclic subgroups of order 3, 6 :  $\langle \frac{9}{3} \rangle$  and  $\langle \frac{18}{6} \rangle$ .

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$$|D| = 155 = 5 \times 31. \quad H \triangleleft D, \quad |H| = 5.$$

Deny.  $\therefore \exists N < D$  st  $|N| = 5$ . ( $N \neq H$ )

$$\therefore NH < D \text{ (By homework)} \text{ and } |NH| = \frac{|N||H|}{|N \cap H|}$$

But  $N \cap H = \{e\}$  by assumption  $\Rightarrow |NH| = \underline{25}$ .

But  $25 \nmid 155$ . (By Lagrange, we cannot have a subgroup of order 25).  $\therefore N$  does not exist  $\rightarrow$  (P.T.O)

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(iii) (Bonus 7 points). Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a group  $(D, *)$ . Assume that for each  $a \in D \setminus H$ , we have  $x_1 * x_2 * x_3 * x_4 \in a * H$  for every  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in a * H$  (note that  $x_1, \dots, x_4$  need not be distinct). Prove that  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $D$ .

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= a_k^{x+y} * c_1 * c_2 \\
 &= a_k^{y+x} * c_2 * c_1 \\
 &= a_k^y * a_k^x * c_2 * c_1 \\
 &= a_k^y * c_2 * a_k^x * c_1 \\
 &= a_2 * a_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore a_1 * a_2 = a_2 * a_1, \forall a_1, a_2 \in D$

$D$  is Abelian.

~~$\exists L = N_1 \times N_2 \rightarrow N_2 = \mathbb{Z}_5^*$ , and  $|N_1| \geq 2$   
 $\Rightarrow |L| \geq 8$ , Impossible since  $|L| = 4$~~

Q2 (iv)  $\rightarrow$  Let  $x = (3, 2) \Rightarrow |x| = 4$ .

~~$H = \{(0, 1), (3, 2), (0, 4), (0, 3), (1, 2), (4, 4), (2, 1)\}$~~

$\{ \text{Now } \{x, x^2, x^3, x^4 = (0, 1)\} \subseteq \{(3, 2), (0, 4), (3, 3), (0, 1)\} = L$

Should have structure:  $\{e, a, b, ab\}$ .

But

$a^{-1} = ab \Rightarrow a^2 = (a^2)^{-1} = b$ .

and  $(b^2)^{-1} = a$ .

not clear!

$\rightarrow \therefore a^2 = e$  (or)  $a^2 = b$  (or)  $a^2 = ab$ .

Makes it cyclic

∴ If such a homomorphism exists:

$$\text{Range}(f) = \{0, 3, 6\}$$

$$\text{Ker}(f) = \{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15\}$$

we want to maintain that  $|f(a)| \mid |ka|$ ,  
and  $f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1}$

∴ Possible orders of remaining elements in  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$ :

$$2, 3, 6, 9, 18$$

clearly:  $f(1) = 3$ . (generator to generator).

In all cases  $|f(a)| = 3$ .

∴ Only problem can arise when  $|a| = 2$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$ .  
This never happens ∵ only  $|9|$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$  is 2  
and it is mapped to  $e_2$ .

$$\therefore f(1) = 3$$

$$\text{and } f(1^i) = 3^i \pmod{6}$$

checking for homomorphism:

$$f(a * b) = f(1^i * 1^j) = f(1^{i+j})$$

$$= 3^{i+j} \pmod{6}$$

$$= 3^i * 3^j \pmod{6}$$

$$= f(1^i) * f(1^j) \quad (* = +_6)$$

$\therefore H$  is Unique.

Part II:

To Prove:  $|a| \neq 31 \Rightarrow D$  is Cyclic

$|D| = 155$ . Let  $a \in D$ .

$|a| = \underbrace{1}_{\text{Identity}} \text{ (or) } \underbrace{5}_{\text{Elements in } H} \text{ (or) } \underbrace{31}_{\text{NONE}} \text{ (or) } 155$   
 ( $\because H$  is Unique)  
 So we have 4 elements of order 5.

$\therefore \exists$  150 elements in  $D$  s.t. ~~not~~ their order is 155.

Pick any one, call it 'a'.

$$|a| = 155 = |D|$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $D$  is Cyclic. ■

strategy:

find an element of order  $\frac{n}{d}$

and an element of order  $m (=b)$

then  $\gcd\left(\frac{n}{d}, m\right) = 1 \Rightarrow$  we can use same process as Case I.

$a^m$  will do.

$$\because |a| = n \Rightarrow |a^m| = \frac{n}{\gcd(m, n)} = \frac{n}{d}$$

$\therefore$  Our generator is:  $a^m * b$ .

$$\bullet a * b = b * a \Rightarrow a^m * b = b * a^m$$

$$\bullet \gcd\left(\frac{n}{d}, m\right) = 1$$

$$\bullet \therefore |a^m * b| = |a^m| |b| = \left(\frac{n}{d}\right)(m) = \underline{\underline{4}}$$

$$\therefore H = \langle a^m * b \rangle$$

$$\text{i.e. } \langle a^{|b|} * b \rangle \text{ and } |H| = 4$$