Assignment 3 MAT 347

Q5: We first claim that for any normal subgroups M,N that  $M\cap N \subseteq G$ . Note if we take some  $a\in M\cap N$ , we have that for any  $g\in G$ ,  $gag^{-1}\in M$  and  $gag^{-1}\in N$  since they are normal in G. Therefore  $gag^{-1}\in M\cap N$ . Hence  $M\cap N\subseteq G$ . We now claim that  $\langle M,N\rangle\subseteq G$ . Note that by definition, every element of  $\langle M,N\rangle$  must be of the form mn for some  $m,n\in M,N$ . Then for any  $g\in G$ , we have that

$$gmng^{-1} = (gmg^{-1})(gng^{-1})$$

Since  $gmg^{-1} \in M$  and  $gng^{-1} \in N$ , their product must also belong to  $\langle M, N \rangle$ .