

Question One

~ Given groups N and H , together with a group homomorphism $\varphi: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$, we define the semi-direct product $N \rtimes_{\varphi} H$ to be $N \times H$ with the group multiplication by

$$(n_1, h_1) \cdot (n_2, h_2) = (n_1, \varphi(h_1)(n_2), h_1 h_2)$$

- 1) Show that this indeed defines a group
- 2) Show that $N \rtimes H$ contains N as a normal subgroup and H as a subgroup.
- 3) Give the formula for the adjoint action in terms of φ .

~ 1) Let $(n_1, h_1), (n_2, h_2), (n_3, h_3) \in N \rtimes H$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} [(n_1, h_1) \cdot (n_2, h_2)] \cdot (n_3, h_3) &= (n_1, \varphi(h_1)(n_2), h_1 h_2) \cdot (n_3, h_3) \\ &= (n_1, \varphi(h_1 h_2)(n_3), h_1 h_2 h_3) \\ &= (n_1, \varphi(h_1)(n_2) \varphi(h_1)(n_3), h_1 h_2 h_3) \\ &= (n_1, \varphi(h_1)(n_2) \varphi(h_1)(\varphi(h_2)(n_3)), h_1 h_2 h_3) \\ &= (n_1, \varphi(h_1)(n_2 \varphi(h_2)(n_3)), h_1 h_2 h_3) \\ &= (n_1, h_1) \cdot (n_2 \varphi(h_2)(n_3), h_2 h_3) \\ &= (n_1, h_1) \cdot [(n_2, h_2) \cdot (n_3, h_3)] \end{aligned}$$

Notice that we've implicitly used the associativity of the underlying group operations for N and H . Therefore, the ~~group~~ ^{binary} operation is associative.

~ Denoting 1_N and 1_H as the identity elements of N, H respectively, we show that $(1_N, 1_H)$ is the identity element. For an arbitrary element $(n, h) \in N \rtimes H$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1_N, 1_H) \cdot (n, h) &= (1_N, \varphi(1_H)(n), 1_H h) \\ &= (1_N, n, 1_H h) = (n, h) \\ &\quad \leftarrow \varphi(1_H) = \text{id}_N \text{ since homomorphisms preserve identity} \\ &= (n 1_N, h 1_H) \\ &= (n \varphi(h)(1_N), h 1_H) = (n, h) \cdot (1_N, 1_H) \\ &\quad \leftarrow \varphi(h)(1_N) = 1_N \end{aligned}$$

~ Lastly, we show that $(\varphi(h^{-1})(n^{-1}), h^{-1})$ is the inverse of any element $(n, h) \in N \rtimes H$.

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} (n, h) \cdot (\varphi(h^{-1})(n^{-1}), h^{-1}) &= (n \varphi(h)(\varphi(h^{-1})(n^{-1})), h h^{-1}) \\ &= (n \varphi(h)(\varphi(h)^{-1}(n^{-1})), h h^{-1}) \\ &= (n n^{-1}, h h^{-1}) = (1_N, 1_H) \\ &= (\varphi(h^{-1})(1_N), h^{-1} h) \\ &= (\varphi(h^{-1})(h^{-1} n), h^{-1} h) \\ &= (\varphi(h^{-1})(n^{-1}) \varphi(h^{-1})(n), h^{-1} h) \\ &= (\varphi(h^{-1})(n^{-1}), h^{-1}) \cdot (n, h) \end{aligned}$$

(implied using the fact that inverses exist for N, H).

⇒ Hence, $N \rtimes_{\varphi} H$ is a group under the given binary operation.

~~In case a ϕ , we get a RES on some interval~~

2) In $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$, the mappings $n \mapsto (n, 1_H)$ and $h \mapsto (1_N, h)$, where $1_N, 1_H$ are the identity elements of N, H respectively, are obviously injective from N, H into $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$. Moreover, it is immediate that the mappings are non-empty, since $(1_N, 1_H)$ are elements of the mapping. These multiply together like elements of N and H do:

$$(n_1, 1_H)(n_2, 1_H) = (n_1 \phi(1_H)(n_2), 1_H 1_H) = (n_1 n_2, 1_H) \text{ since } \phi(1_H) = 1_N$$

$$(1_N, h_1)(1_N, h_2) = (1_N \phi(h_1)(1_N), h_1 h_2) = (1_N, h_1 h_2) \text{ since } \phi(h_1)(1_N) = 1_N$$

Therefore, we have copies of N and H inside $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$ in a natural way. Furthermore,

$$(n, 1_H)^{-1} = (\phi(1_H^{-1})(n^{-1}), 1_H^{-1}) = (\phi(1_H)(n^{-1}), 1_H) = (n^{-1}, 1_H)$$

$$(1_N, h)^{-1} = (\phi(h^{-1})(1_N^{-1}), h^{-1}) = (\phi(h^{-1})(1_N), h^{-1}) = (1_N, h^{-1})$$

Thus, we can write both subgroups as $N \times 1$ and $1 \times H$, which is ok since elements of $N \times 1$ multiply just like a direct product of N with the trivial subgroup, similarly for $1 \times H$.

For a single pair (h, b) in $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$,

$$(n, 1_H)(1_N, h) = (n \phi(1_H)(1_N), 1_H h) = (n, h)$$

$$\text{and } (1_N, h)(\phi^{-1}(h)(n), 1_H) = (1_N \phi(h)(\phi^{-1}(h)(n)), h \cdot 1_H) = (n, h)$$

To show $N \times 1$ is a normal subgroup of $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$, it suffices to show $1 \times H$ in

$N \rtimes_{\phi} H$ conjugates $N \times 1$ back to itself; since $N \times 1$ does and each element of $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$ is built from $N \times 1$ and $H \times 1$ (that is $(n, h) = (n, 1_H)(1_N, h)$):

$$\begin{aligned} (1_N, h)(n, 1_H)(1_N, h)^{-1} &= (1_N, h)(n, 1_H)(1_N, h^{-1}) \\ &= (1_N \phi(h)(n), h \cdot 1_H)(1_N, h^{-1}) \\ &= (\phi(h)(n), h)(1_N, h^{-1}) \\ &= (\phi(h)(n) \cdot \phi(h)(1_N), h h^{-1}) \\ &= (\phi(h)(n), 1) \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $N \times 1$ is normal in $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$.

3) This also shows that the action $\phi: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ of H on N looks like conjugation of $1 \times H$ on $N \times 1$ inside $N \rtimes_{\phi} H$. Explicitly:

$$h \cdot n = h n h^{-1} = (\phi(h)(n), 1)$$

Question Two

let N, H be groups and let $\varphi_1, \varphi_2: H \rightarrow \text{Aut}(N)$ be two group homomorphisms. Suppose that

$$N \rtimes_{\varphi_1} H \cong N \rtimes_{\varphi_2} H.$$

Also, suppose that there does not exist any group homomorphism $\psi: N \rightarrow H$ except for the trivial one (ie: sending $N \ni n \mapsto e \in H$). Show that in the case there exists

$$F \in \text{Aut}(N), G \in \text{Aut}(H)$$

such that

$$\varphi_1(h) = F \circ \varphi_2(G(h)) \circ F^{-1}$$

~~that $\varphi_1(h) = (F \varphi_2(G(h)) F^{-1})$ is the action of $N \rtimes_{\varphi_2} H$ under the isomorphism $\psi: N \rtimes_{\varphi_2} H \rightarrow N \rtimes_{\varphi_1} H$~~

~ let $\psi: N \rtimes_{\varphi_2} H \rightarrow N \rtimes_{\varphi_1} H$ be an isomorphism. Then, ψ restricts to the automorphism

$F: N \rightarrow N$ by the projection mapping ~~$\psi(n, 1) \mapsto n$~~

$\rho_1: N \rightarrow N \rtimes H, \rho_1(n) = (n, 1) \Rightarrow n \mapsto F((n, 1))$. Similarly, ψ restricts to the automorphism $G: H \rightarrow H$ by mapping $h \mapsto G((1, h))$.

We therefore have that

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Question Three

Any group G of order $|G|=30$ is either abelian or isomorphic to

$$\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \rtimes_{\varphi} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$$

where $\varphi: \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})$ is inclusion of an element of order 2 of $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})$. Use Problem 2) to show that different elements of order 2 give non-isomorphic groups.

~ We have that $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}) \cong (\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14\}$. The only elements of $(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$ with order 2 are 4, 11 and 14.

Thus, we have three homomorphisms $\varphi_i: \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})$ $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ defined by $\varphi_i(1) = \psi_i$, where $\psi_i: \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$ is one of the automorphisms defined by $\psi_1(1)=4, \psi_2(1)=11, \psi_3(1)=14$.

Since no element of $\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$ has order 2, there is no non-trivial homomorphism $\psi: \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$. It follows from Problem 2 that if

$$\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \rtimes_{\varphi_i} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \rtimes_{\varphi_j} \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} \text{ for some } i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}, i \neq j,$$

then there exists $F \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})$ and $G \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$ such that

$$\varphi_i(y) = F \circ \varphi_j(G(y)) \circ F^{-1} \quad \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}. \text{ In particular}$$

$$\varphi_i(1) = F \circ \varphi_j(G(1)) \circ F^{-1}$$

$$\text{hence } \psi_i = F \circ \varphi_j(G(1)) \circ F^{-1}$$

But, there is only one ~~id~~ $G \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})$, namely the identity automorphism. Hence,

$$\psi_i = F \circ \varphi_j(G(1)) \circ F^{-1} = F \circ \varphi_j(1) \circ F^{-1} = F \circ \varphi_j \circ F^{-1}$$

Case 1 $i=1, j=2 \Rightarrow \psi_1 = F \circ \psi_2 \circ F^{-1}$. Hence

$$4 = \psi_1(1) = F(\psi_2(F^{-1}(1)))$$

$$\Rightarrow F^{-1}(4) = \psi_2(F^{-1}(1))$$

$$\Rightarrow 4F^{-1}(1) = \psi_2(F^{-1}(1))$$

If $F^{-1}(1)=n$, then $\psi_2(F^{-1}(1)) \equiv 11n \pmod{15}$ and we obtain $4n \equiv 11n \pmod{15}$. But, this is not possible since $\gcd(4, 15)=1$ because F^{-1} is an automorphism (element order $k \rightarrow$ element order k). ^{but is 7n}

Thus, we cannot have $i=1, j=2$.

Case 2 $i=1, j=3$. $\psi_1 = F \circ \psi_3 \circ F^{-1}$, hence

$$\cancel{F^{-1}(4)} = F^{-1}(4) = \psi_3(F^{-1}(1))$$

$$4F^{-1}(1) = \psi_3(F^{-1}(1))$$

If $F^{-1}(1)=n$, then $\psi_3(F^{-1}(1)) \equiv 14n \pmod{15} \Rightarrow 4n \equiv 14n \pmod{15}$, that is $15 \mid 10n$. But, this is not possible since $\gcd(4, 15)=1$. Thus, we cannot have $i=1, j=3$.

Case 3 $i=2, j=3$. $\psi_2 = F \circ \psi_3 \circ F^{-1}$, hence

$$11 = \psi_2(1) = F(\psi_3(F^{-1}(1))) \Rightarrow F^{-1}(11) = \psi_3(F^{-1}(1)) \Rightarrow 11F^{-1}(1) = \psi_3(F^{-1}(1))$$

If $F^{-1}(1)=n$, then $\psi_3(F^{-1}(1)) \equiv 14n \pmod{15} \Rightarrow 11n \equiv 14n \pmod{15}$, that is $15 \mid 3n$. But, $\gcd(11, 15)=1 \Rightarrow i=2, j=3$ cannot occur.

~ $\psi_i = F \circ \psi_j \circ F^{-1} \Rightarrow \psi_j = F^{-1} \circ \psi_i \circ F$ so we've checked all possibilities

Problem 4

Prove that a group of order $351 = 3^3 \cdot 13$ has a normal Sylow p -subgroup for some prime p dividing its order.

~ A Sylow 3-subgroup would have order $3^3 = 27$ and a Sylow 13-subgroup would have order 13. Let's start off by finding what n_{13} could be. $n_{13} \mid 27$ and $n_{13} \equiv 1 \pmod{13}$. The only two possibilities are $n_{13} = 1$ or $n_{13} = 27$. If $n_{13} = 1$, then the Sylow 13-subgroup is normal and we're done.

If $n_{13} = 27$, then we're going to show that there can only be room for one Sylow 3-subgroup, and therefore the Sylow 3-subgroup is normal in G .

Recall that distinct subgroups of order p for p prime can only have the identity element in their intersection. [Suppose P_1 and P_2 are subgroups of order p .

Then $P_1 \cap P_2 \leq P_1$ and $P_1 \cap P_2 \leq P_2$. So $|P_1 \cap P_2|$ must be either 1 or p , and the only way it can be p is if $P_1 \cap P_2 = P_1$ and $P_1 \cap P_2 = P_2$, making $P_1 = P_2$. Therefore, if

P_1 and P_2 are not the same subgroup, their intersection is order 1, which contains only the identity element.] Warning: this only works when the order of subgroups is prime eg: doesn't work for Sylow 13-subgroups of order 13^2 .

Since the Sylow 13-subgroups are of order 13, hence prime, they can only intersect each other at the identity element. Also, every element of order 13 forms a subgroup of order 13, which has to be one of the Sylow 13-subgroups.

Each Sylow 13-subgroup contains 12 elements of order 13 (each element except the identity). There are 27 Sylow 13-subgroups, so there are a total of $27 \times 12 = 324$ elements of order 13 in G .

This leaves $351 - 324 = 27$ elements of G that do not have order 13. Since a Sylow 3-subgroup would have to have exactly 27 elements in it, this means that all the 27 elements form a Sylow 3-subgroup, and it must be the only one (no extra elements of G to use). So, $n_3 = 1$ and thus this Sylow 3-subgroup must be normal in G .

Problem 5

Show that

$$1) \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}) \cong \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}) \times \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}) \text{ whenever } \gcd(m,n)=1$$

$$2) |(\mathbb{Z}/p^\alpha\mathbb{Z})^\times| = p^{\alpha-1}(p-1), \text{ where } p \text{ is a prime number and } \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$$

3) conclude that

$$|(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times| = p_1^{\alpha_1-1}(p_1-1) \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k-1}(p_k-1)$$

where $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots p_k^{\alpha_k}$ is the prime factorization of n

~1) Given any two groups G_1, G_2 we define the projection maps

$$\pi_i: G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_i \quad i=1,2 \text{ and the injection maps}$$

$$\rho_i: G_i \rightarrow G_1 \times G_2 \quad i=1,2 \text{ as follows}$$

$$\rho_1(x_1) = (x_1, 1), \rho_2(x_2) = (1, x_2) \quad \forall x_1 \in G_1, x_2 \in G_2$$

$$\pi_1(x_1, x_2) = x_1, \pi_2(x_1, x_2) = x_2 \quad \forall x_1 \in G_1, x_2 \in G_2$$

ρ_i, π_i are clearly group homomorphisms and so if $\alpha: G_1 \times G_2 \rightarrow G_1 \times G_2$ is a group homomorphism, then $\pi_i \circ \alpha \circ \rho_i: G_i \rightarrow G_i$ and $\pi_2 \circ \alpha \circ \rho_2: G_2 \rightarrow G_2$ are group homomorphisms too.

Therefore, it makes sense to consider the following as a possible group isomorphism

$$f: \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}) \times \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}), f(\alpha) = (\pi_1 \alpha \rho_1, \pi_2 \alpha \rho_2)$$

$$\forall \alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$$

~ f is well defined: let $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$ and put $\alpha_i := \pi_i \alpha \rho_i \quad i=1,2$. So $f(\alpha) = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ and we need to show that $\alpha_i \in \text{Aut}(G_i), i=1,2$. We show that $\alpha_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$. We only need to show that $\ker \alpha_1$ is trivial as α_1 is a homomorphism and $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ is f.g.
 $\alpha_1(x_1, 1) = (\alpha_1(x_1), \alpha_2(1)) = (1, 1) = \alpha(1, 1) \Rightarrow$ given in the previous lemma

~ f is a group homomorphism: let $\alpha, \beta \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$. Then, by definition of f

$$f(\alpha)f(\beta) = (\pi_1 \alpha \rho_1, \pi_2 \alpha \rho_2)(\pi_1 \beta \rho_1, \pi_2 \beta \rho_2) = (\pi_1 \alpha \rho_1 \pi_1 \beta \rho_1, \pi_2 \alpha \rho_2 \pi_2 \beta \rho_2)$$

$$= (\pi_1 \alpha \beta \rho_1, \pi_2 \alpha \beta \rho_2) = f(\alpha\beta)$$

~ f is injective: let $\alpha \in \ker f$ and $\alpha_i := \pi_i \alpha \rho_i, i=1,2$, so $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = f(\alpha) = \text{id}_{\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}} \times \text{id}_{\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}}$ and hence $\alpha_i = \text{id}_{\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}}$ for $i=1,2$. Thus,
 $\alpha(x_1, x_2) = (\alpha_1(x_1), \alpha_2(x_2)) = (x_1, x_2) \quad \forall x_i \in \{\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}\}$ and clearly
 $\alpha = \text{id}_{\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}}$

~ f is surjective: let $\alpha_1 \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})$ and $\alpha_2 \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$. It is clear that

$$\alpha: \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z} \text{ by}$$

$$\alpha(x_1, x_2) = (\alpha_1(x_1), \alpha_2(x_2)) \quad \forall x_i \in G_i \quad i=1,2.$$

It is clear that $\alpha \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z})$. Also,

$$\pi_1 \alpha \rho_1(x_1) = \pi_1 \alpha(x_1, 1) = \pi_1(\alpha_1(x_1), 1) = \alpha_1(x_1) \Rightarrow \pi_1 \alpha \rho_1 = \alpha_1.$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \pi_2 \alpha \rho_2 = \alpha_2 \Rightarrow f(\alpha) = (\pi_1 \alpha \rho_1, \pi_2 \alpha \rho_2) = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$$

$$1) |\mathbb{Z}/p^{\alpha}\mathbb{Z}| = p^{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow |(\mathbb{Z}/p^{\alpha}\mathbb{Z})^{\times}| = p^{\alpha} - |\{[n] \in \mathbb{Z}/p^{\alpha}\mathbb{Z} \mid (n, p^{\alpha}) \neq 1\}| \\ = p^{\alpha} - |\{[n] \in \mathbb{Z}/p^{\alpha}\mathbb{Z} \mid p \mid n\}| \\ = p^{\alpha} - p^{\alpha-1} = p^{\alpha-1}(p-1)$$

$$3) |(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{\times}| = |\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})|$$

But, by the Chinese remainder theorem

$$= |\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p_1^{\alpha_1}\mathbb{Z} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}/p_k^{\alpha_k}\mathbb{Z})| \\ = |\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p_1^{\alpha_1}\mathbb{Z})| \times \dots \times |\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/p_k^{\alpha_k}\mathbb{Z})| \\ = |(\mathbb{Z}/p_1^{\alpha_1}\mathbb{Z})^{\times}| \times \dots \times |(\mathbb{Z}/p_k^{\alpha_k}\mathbb{Z})^{\times}| \\ = p_1^{\alpha_1-1}(p_1-1) \times p_2^{\alpha_2-1}(p_2-1) \times \dots \times p_k^{\alpha_k-1}(p_k-1)$$

Problem 6

1) Find all elements of order 2 in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}^{\times}$ by checking all the elements.

2) Write down explicitly the group isomorphism $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$

3) Find all elements of order 2 in $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}^{\times}$ and $\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}^{\times}$

4) Use 2) & 3) to check 1).

1) elements of $(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{[1], [2], [4], [7], [8], [11], [13], [14]\} \rightarrow$ group of order 8, check each element and its multiplicative powers mod 15:

$$[1]^2 = [1], [2]^4 = [1], [4]^2 = [1], [7]^4 = [1], [8]^4 = [1], [11]^2 = [1], [13]^4 = [1], [14]^2 = [1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{elements of order 2} = [4], [13], [14]$$

2) $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \psi: \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z}$ group isomorphism.

Thus, for some $a \in \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ and $b \in \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$

$$\Rightarrow (a, b) \in \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi(a, b) = 5a + 3b \pmod{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi((a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2))$$

$$= \psi(a_1 + a_2, b_1 + b_2) = 3(a_1 + a_2) + 5(b_1 + b_2) \pmod{15}$$

$$= (3a_1 + 5b_1) + (3a_2 + 5b_2) \pmod{15}$$

$$= \psi(a_1, b_1) + \psi(a_2, b_2)$$

3) Elements of $(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{[1], [2]\}$

$$(\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^{\times} = \{[1], [2], [3], [4]\}$$

\Rightarrow injectivity, surjectivity.

$$\Rightarrow \text{elements of order 2: } [2] \text{ for } (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$$

$$: [4] \text{ for } (\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$$

4) The order of (a, b) is the least common multiple of the order of a, b . Thus, elements of order 2 in $(\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})^{\times} \times (\mathbb{Z}/5\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$ are $\{(2, 4), (1, 4), (2, 1)\}$

Plugging into the isomorphism gives the elements of $(\mathbb{Z}/15\mathbb{Z})^{\times}$