Exercises: 1, 2, 3 below and Judson: 9.7, 9.22, 9.27, 9.31

**Recommended:** 9.19, 9.21, 9.23, 9.41, 9.42

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The first few exercises require some definitions from lecture, repeated here for your convenience.

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, F^{\mathbf{A}} \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{B} = \langle B, F^{\mathbf{B}} \rangle$  be two algebras of the same *similarity type*. That is, to each operation symbol  $f \in F$  there corresponds an operation  $f^{\mathbf{A}}$  defined on  $\mathbf{A}$  and an operation  $f^{\mathbf{B}}$  defined on  $\mathbf{B}$ . Thus, the set of operations defined on  $\mathbf{A}$  is the set  $F^{\mathbf{A}} = \{f^{\mathbf{A}} : f \in F\}$ ; similarly  $F^{\mathbf{B}} = \{f^{\mathbf{B}} : f \in F\}$ .

For example, any two groups G and H have the same similarity type. To emphasize this, we could denote the operations of these groups using the precise (albeit somewhat awkward) notation of the previous paragraph, as follows:

$$\mathbf{G} = \langle G, \circ^{\mathbf{G}}, \operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{G}}, e^{\mathbf{G}} \rangle$$
 and  $\mathbf{H} = \langle H, \circ^{\mathbf{H}}, \operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{H}}, e^{\mathbf{H}} \rangle$ .

Here  $\circ^{\mathbf{G}}$ , inv<sup> $\mathbf{G}$ </sup>, and  $e^{\mathbf{G}}$  represent the *interpretation in*  $\mathbf{G}$  of the binary, unary (inverse), and nullary (identity) operations that a group must possess (similarly for  $\mathbf{H}$ ).

An algebra homomorphism (or simply homomorphism), denoted by  $\varphi : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{B}$ , is a function  $\varphi$  with domain A and codomain B that satisfies the following conditions: for each  $f \in F$ , if f is an n-ary operation symbol, and if  $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in A$ , then

$$\varphi(f^{\mathbf{A}}(a_1,\ldots,a_n)) = f^{\mathbf{B}}(\varphi(a_1),\ldots,\varphi(a_n)).$$

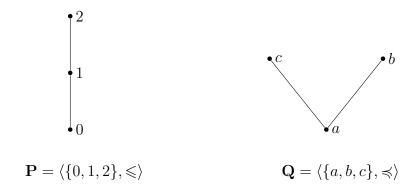
For example, a group homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbf{G} \to \mathbf{H}$  is a function  $\varphi$  with domain G and codomain H that satisfies,  $\forall x, y \in G$ ,

- (1)  $\varphi(x \circ^{\mathbf{G}} y) = \varphi(x) \circ^{\mathbf{H}} \varphi(y),$
- (2)  $\varphi(\operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{G}}(x)) = \operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{H}}(\varphi(x)),$
- (3)  $\varphi(e^{\mathbf{G}}) = e^{\mathbf{H}}$ .

The textbook defines a group *isomorphism* to be a group homomorphism that is both one-to-one and onto. This definition is fine for algebraic structures (like groups). It does not work, however, for relational structures, like posets. (See Exercise 3 below). A definition that works for both algebraic and relational structures is the following: A homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{B}$  is an *isomorphism* if there exists a homomorphism  $\psi : \mathbf{B} \to \mathbf{A}$  that composes with  $\varphi$  to give the identity, that is,  $\varphi \circ \psi = \mathrm{id}_B$  and  $\psi \circ \varphi = \mathrm{id}_A$ . (Here,  $\mathrm{id}_X$  denotes the identity function on the set X:  $\mathrm{id}_X(x) = x$ .)

## **Exercises**

- 1. When discussing two groups, like **G** and **H** above, our textbook uses more convenient notation, such as  $(G, \cdot)$  and  $(H, \circ)$  (or, even more simply, G and H). The book will then define a homomorphism to be a function  $\varphi : G \to H$  satisfying  $\varphi(x \cdot y) = \varphi(x) \circ \varphi(y)$ . Prove that this is equivalent to the definition given above by showing that conditions (2) and (3) are unnecessary. [Hint: Assuming (1), derive (3), then derive (2).]
- **2.** Define a lattice homomorphism. Then consider a lattice  $\mathbf{L} = \langle L, \wedge, \vee \rangle$  and a poset  $\mathbf{P} = \langle P, \preccurlyeq \rangle$ . Is it possible to define a homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbf{L} \to \mathbf{P}$ ? Explain.
- **3.** A poset homomorphism is an order preserving map. That is, if  $\mathbf{P} = \langle P, \leqslant \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{Q} = \langle Q, \preccurlyeq \rangle$  are two partially ordered sets, then a homomorphism  $\varphi : \mathbf{P} \to \mathbf{Q}$  is a function satisfying, for all  $x, y \in P$ , if  $x \leqslant y$  then  $\varphi(x) \preccurlyeq \varphi(y)$ . Consider the two definitions of isomorphism given in the last paragraph on Page 1 above. Using the two posets shown below, explain why the first of these definitions is not appropriate for posets.



- **9.7.** Show that any cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .
- **9.22** Let G be a group of order 20. If G has subgroups H and K of orders 4 and 5 respectively such that hk = kh for all  $h \in H$  and  $k \in K$ , prove that G is the internal direct product of H and K.
- **9.27** Let  $G \cong H$ . Show that if G is cyclic, then so is H.
- 9.31 Let  $\phi: G_1 \to G_2$  and  $\psi: G_2 \to G_3$  be isomorphisms. Show that  $\phi^{-1}$  and  $\psi \circ \phi$  are both isomorphisms. Using these results, show that the isomorphism of groups determines an equivalence relation on the class of all groups.