

**Questions:**

1. Determine whether the following groups are cyclic. If they are, give a generator of the group.  
**(30 points)**

- $(\mathbb{Z}_5, + \text{ mod } 5)$  (i.e., the set of numbers modulo 5 with addition as the group operation)
- $(\mathbb{Z}_8^*, \times \text{ mod } 8)$

2. Let GenGroup denote a generic, polynomial-time, group-generation algorithm that, on input  $1^n$ , outputs a description of a cyclic  $G$ , its order  $q$  (with  $|q| = n$ ), and a generator  $g \in G$ .

- The description of a cyclic group specifies how elements of the group are represented as bit-strings. We assume that each group element is represented by a unique bit-string.
- There are efficient algorithms for computing the group operation in  $G$ , as well as for testing whether a given bit-string represents an element of  $G$ .

**Question:** given an element  $h \in G$ , how to (efficiently) compute its inverse element in  $G$ .  
**(30 points)**

3. Given a cyclic group of order 13.

**Requirements:** please specify the set and the binary operation, and further give the generator.  
**(40 points)**