

Problem 1. (6 points)

In this problem we work out step-by-step a complete set of left coset representatives of a subgroup. First, let us recall how to do this in general. Say you have a subgroup H of G . Remember that for any subgroup H of a general group G ,

(*) $xH = yH$ if and only if $x^{-1}y$ is in H .

In particular,

(**) the identity e is a coset representative of the trivial coset H .

To find representatives for all left H -cosets we proceed inductively. Say we have already found representatives for a collection of H -cosets. Denote by S the union of the H -cosets for which we have already found representatives.

- (i) If $S = G$ then we are done; if not,
- (ii) pick an element x of G not in S
- (iii) add to S the elements of xH , and then go back to step (i).

Let us now apply this to the subgroup $\langle 3 \rangle$ of $U(56)$. To simplify the notation, we represent each congruence class by a positive integer < 56 .

First, write down the elements of $\langle 3 \rangle$:

Now we look for coset representatives. For the trivial $\langle 3 \rangle$ -coset, condition (**) says that

_____ is a coset representative for $\langle 3 \rangle$ in $U(56)$.

We now apply the inductive algorithm above. The subgroup $\langle 3 \rangle$ is a proper subgroup, so there are elements in $U(56)$ not in $\langle 3 \rangle$. By the algorithm above, we need to look for x in $U(56)$ not in $\langle 3 \rangle$. For a general group we just pick a random such element; in the case of $U(56)$ we can be more specific, by picking the smallest positive

integer i such that i represents a congruence class in $U(56) - \langle 3 \rangle$. For the subgroup $\langle 3 \rangle$ this integer x is

We check that $S = \langle 3 \rangle \cup x\langle 3 \rangle$ together still do not fill up $U(56)$; to find the next coset representative we pick the smallest y in $U(56) - S$. Repeat this process until we fill up S as described in the algorithm above. In the end, this process the following list of coset representative:

Answer(s) submitted:

- 1, 3, 9, 19, 25, 27
- 1
- 5
- 1, 5, 11, 29

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

Problem 2. (3 points)

Let H be a proper subgroup of a group G , and let K be a proper subgroup of H . If $|K| = 25$ and $|G| = 200$, what are the possible orders of H ? Enter your answer as a comma separated list.

Answer(s) submitted:

- 100, 50

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

Problem 3. (3 points)

Let H, K be proper subgroups of a group G . If $|K| = 99$ and $|H| = 77$, what are the possible orders of $K \cap H$? Enter your answer as a comma separated list.

Answer: _____

Answer(s) submitted:

- 1, 11

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

Problem 6. (4 points)

Let $G = \mathbb{R}^\times$ act on $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ by the rule $\lambda \cdot (x, y) = (\lambda x, \lambda y)$. Which of the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 are orbits of the group action?

1. $\{(0, 0)\}$ [?/Yes/No]
2. the x -axis [?/Yes/No]
3. the y axis with the origin removed [?/Yes/No]
4. the circle $\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ [?/Yes/No]
5. the hyperbola $\{(x, y) \mid xy = 1\}$ [?/Yes/No]
6. the line $y = x$ with the origin removed [?/Yes/No]

Answer(s) submitted:

- Yes
- No
- Yes
- No
- No
- Yes

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

Problem 7. (4 points)

Let $G = \mathbb{R}^\times$ act on $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ by the rule $\lambda \cdot (x, y) = (\lambda x, \lambda^{-1}y)$. Which of the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^2 are orbits of the group action?

1. $\{(0, 0)\}$ [?/Yes/No]
2. the x -axis [?/Yes/No]
3. the y axis with the origin removed [?/Yes/No]
4. the circle $\{(x, y) \mid x^2 + y^2 = 1\}$ [?/Yes/No]
5. the hyperbola $\{(x, y) \mid xy = 1\}$ [?/Yes/No]
6. the line $y = x$ with the origin removed [?/Yes/No]

Answer(s) submitted:

- Yes
- No
- Yes
- No
- Yes
- No

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)

Problem 8. (4 points)

Let D_6 , the group of symmetries of a hexagon \mathcal{H} , act on \mathcal{H} (including the interior points) in the standard way. Find the set

$$\{n : \exists h \in \mathcal{H} \text{ such that } |O(h)| = n\}.$$

Here being “on a hexagon” is defined here as either on the edge or within the internal area of a hexagon. Enter your answer as a list of numbers separated by commas; thus, if the set above is $\{1, 2, 3\}$ you should enter 1, 2, 3 in the box below.

$n =$ ____

Answer(s) submitted:

- 1, 6, 12

submitted: (correct)

recorded: (correct)