

Problem 1:**Problem 2:**

Let G be a group and $H \subset G$ be nonempty and finite.

If $H < G$, then if $a \in H$ and $b \in H$, then $ab \in H$. Else, H does not inherit the group operation of G .

Next, assume that $a, b \in H$ implies that $ab \in H$.

Then H inherits the group operation of G .

Because the group operation of G was associative, the inherited group operation on H is also associative.

Further, $e \in H$:

Next, for all $a \in H$, $a^{-1} \in H$:

Thus, H is a group under the inherited group operation of G : $H < G$.
So $H < G$ if and only if for all $a, b \in H$, $ab \in H$.

Problem 3:

Let G be a group such that for all $a, b \in G$ and for three given consecutive integers i , $(ab)^i = a^i b^i$.

Then there is an $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that for all $a, b \in G$:

$$\begin{aligned}(ab)^n &= a^n b^n \\(ab)^{n-1} &= a^{n-1} b^{n-1} = a^{-1} (ab)^n b^{-1} \\(ab)^{n+1} &= a^{n+1} b^{n+1} = a(ab)^n b\end{aligned}$$

Now, for all $a, b \in G$,

$$\begin{aligned}
ab &= (ab)^n((ab)^{n-1})^{-1} \\
&= a^n b^n b((ab)^n)^{-1} a \\
&= a^n b^n b((ab)^n)^{-1} a \\
&= a^{-1} a^{n+1} b^{n+1} ((ab)^n)^{-1} a \\
&= a^{-1} (ab)^{n+1} (ab)^{-n} a \\
&= a^{-1} (ab) a \\
&= a^{-1} a b a \\
&= b a
\end{aligned}$$

To summarize, for all $a, b \in G$, $ab = ba$. That is, G is abelian.

Problem 4:

Let $G = \langle \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rangle < GL_2(\mathbb{R})$.

G has 8 elements; they are:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\
&\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, consider $D_4 = \langle r, s \rangle$, where r is a rotation by 90 degrees and s is a reflection.

Let $\phi : G \rightarrow D_4$ be as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= r, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= r^2, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= r^3, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= e, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= s, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= sr, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= sr^2, \\
\phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= sr^3.
\end{aligned}$$

Then it is readily checked (where “readily” means in a series of not more than 64 matrix multiplications that I will not list here) that ϕ is an isomorphism.

Problem 5:

Problem 6: