

# MATH 3101 Assignment 5:

① let  $Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^* := \{(x, [y]) \mid x \in Q^*, [y] \in \mathbb{Z}_5^*\}$ . Define equality & multiplication in  $Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$  as follows:

$$(x, [y]) = (x', [y']) \text{ if and only if } x = x' \text{ and } [y] = [y']$$

$$(x, [y]) \cdot (w, [z]) := (xw, [y][z])$$

Note:

I to IV  
are the four  
conditions for  
a group.

Show that  $Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$  is a group:

I)  $G$  is closed under  $*$ . That is,  $x \in G$  &  $y \in G$  imply that  $x * y$  is in  $G$ :

$Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$  clearly has the binary operation of multiplication  
the integers & rationals are both closed under multiplication, thus  
for all  $x, y \in G$ ,  $xy \in G$  where  $G$  is  $Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$

thus, closure is true

II)  $*$  is Associative. For all  $x, y, z$  in  $G$ ,  $x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$ :

let  $(a, [b]), (c, [d]), (e, [f]) \in Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$ , then:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((a, [b]) \cdot (c, [d])) \cdot (e, [f]) \\ &= (ac, [b][d]) \cdot (e, [f]) \quad [\text{definition of multiplication in group}] \\ &= (ace, [b][d][f]) \quad [\text{definition of multiplication in group}] \\ &= (a \cdot ce, [b] \cdot [d][f]) \quad [\text{Associativity in both } Q \text{ \& } \mathbb{Z}_5] \\ &= (a, [b]) \cdot (ce, [d][f]) \quad [\text{definition of multiplication in group}] \\ &= (a, [b]) \cdot ((c, [d]) \cdot (e, [f])) \quad [\text{definition of multiplication in group}] \end{aligned}$$

thus, associativity is true

III)  $G$  has identity element  $e$ . There is an  $e$  in  $G$  such that  $x * e = e * x = x$  for all  $x \in G$ :

let  $e = (1, [1])$  then for any  $(a, [b]) \in Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$ ,

$$(a, [b]) \cdot (1, [1]) = (a(1), [b][1]) = (a, [b]) = ((1)a, [1][b]) = (1, [1]) \cdot (a, [b])$$

$\hookrightarrow$  operations made under the definition of multiplication in group

thus, identities existence is true

IV)  $G$  contains inverses. For each  $a \in G$ , there exists  $b \in G$  such that  $a * b = b * a = e$ :

for  $(x, [y])$  we note that, for  $a, b \in Q$ :

$$axb = bxa = 1 \rightarrow b = 1/a \text{ thus, since } 1/a \in Q \text{ each } a \text{ has an inverse } b \text{ where } b \text{ is } 1/a$$

We also note that, for  $[a], [b] \in \mathbb{Z}_5^*$ :  $\rightarrow$  remove zero as  $(0, 5) = 5$

$$[a] \cdot [b] = [b] \cdot [a] = [1] [a]^{-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_5^* = \{[1], [2], [3], [4]\}$$

for  $[1], [2], [3], [4] = a$ , the multiplicative inverse  $[a]^{-1}$  exists since  $(a, 5) = 1$   
thus, there's an inverse where  $[a]^{-1}$  is the inverse

thus, the inverses existence is true

Thus, by the definition of groups,  $Q^* \times \mathbb{Z}_5^*$  is a group

thus,  $(x, [y])$   
clearly has  
an inverse  
in the  
group

$x$  has  
inverse

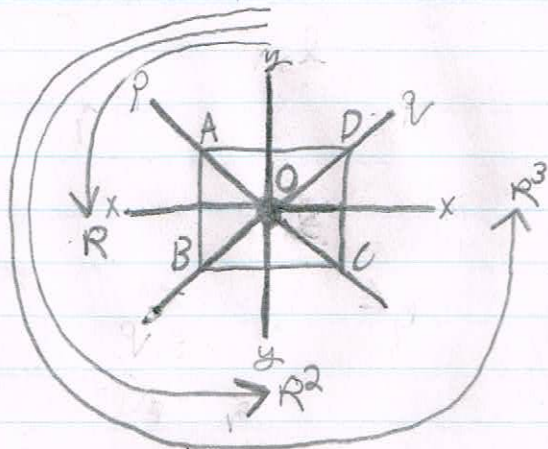
$[y]$  has  
inverse



② Write out the elements of  $D_4$ , & demonstrate that  $D_4$  is non-Abelian:

$D_4$  is the dihedral group, a Subgroup of  $S_4$

We start with a sketch:



let  $x, y$  - Axis'

let  $O$  - Centroid

let  $\Delta ABCD$  - Square

let  $p, q$  - Reflection lines

Mappings:

$R, R^2, R^3$  are  $90^\circ, 180^\circ, 270^\circ$  rotations  
Counterclockwise about the Centroid  $O$

$E$  is the identity mapping

Let  $L_K$  be the reflections about the  
line  $L_K$  for  $K = p, q, q', p'$

$$\therefore D_4 = \{E, R, R^2, R^3, L_p, L_q, L_{q'}, L_{p'}\}$$

the Reflections in  $D_4$  are:

$$L_A = (y, x)(y, x)$$

$$L_B = (x, y)(x, y)$$

$$L_C = (y, x)(y, x)$$

$$L_D = (x, y)(x, y)$$

So:

$$L_A R = (x, y)(x, y) = L_D$$

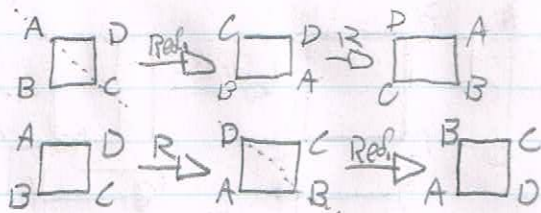
$$L_A R^2 = (y, x)(y, x) = L_C$$

$$L_A R^3 = (x, y)(x, y) = L_B$$

element  $K$   
increases by  
3.

So, Symmetry occurs along the  $x, y, q, p$   
lines as can be seen above.

To show that  $D_4$  is non-Abelian,  
we must find a single pair of elements  
which don't commute.



if  $b$  is  $p$  (the reflection line  
from  $A$  to  $C$ ) then we

See that  $Rb \neq bR$ , thus the operation isn't commutative.

$\therefore D_4$  is Non-Abelian

③ Complete the Cayley table:

	Col	1	2	3	4
Row		a	b	c	d
1		a	b	a	d
2		b	a	b	c
3		c	d	c	b
4		d	c	d	a

We Note that:

$b \cdot a = a$  thus  $b$  is the identity

$\therefore a \cdot b = a$  onto the figure, solves Row 1 col. 2

Note:

— A Row/column must have exactly one copy for each of  $a, b, c, d$

— Row one has  $a, d$  so it can have either  $b$  or  $c$  in Row one, column 4. We see column 4 already has  $a, b$ . There cannot be two  $b$ 's in col 4 so Row 1 col. 4 must be  $c$ , as the only two options were  $b$  or  $c$  for that spot &  $b$  is taken by the Col.

$\therefore$  Row 1, Col 4 must be either  $b$  or  $c$   
it cannot be  $b$ , thus it's  $c$

— Now, Row 1 col. 1 can only be  $b$  since it is the only letter not in the row.

Row 2, Col. 4:

Row two has an  $a$   
col 4 has  $a, b$  &  $c$

$\hookrightarrow a, b, c$  are taken  
 $\therefore$  use  $d$

Row 3, col 4:

$c, d$  &  $b$  are taken

$\hookrightarrow \therefore$  use  $a$

Note:

Row 2 col. 4 shows:

$b \cdot d = d$  so  $b$  is identity

$\hookrightarrow \therefore d \cdot b = d$

this solves Row 4, Col. 2

Row 4, Col 1:

Row 4 has  $d$  &  $b$  so  $a$  &  $c$  are left

col. 1 has  $a$ , so Row 4 col 1 must be  $c$

$\hookrightarrow \therefore$  use  $c$

Row 4, Col 3:

$c, b$  &  $d$  are used

$\hookrightarrow \therefore$  use  $a$

Row 3, col 1:

$a, b, c$  are used

$\hookrightarrow \therefore$  use  $d$

Remarks:

Tables Complete

Since:

- All elements have identity element  $b$
- Every element has an inverse
- Operation is associative

$\hookrightarrow$  Thus, there is an Abelian Group in the table

Rows 2 & 3 Columns 2 & 3:

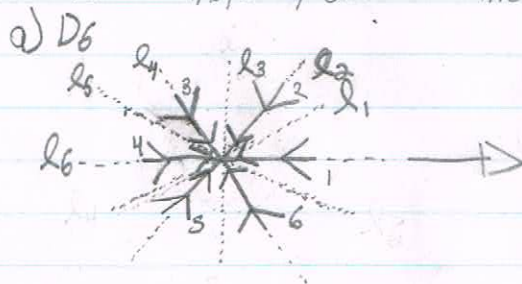
Can be solved by plugging in  $b$  to Row 2 col 2 &  $c$  in Row 2 col 3. Next, Row 3 col 2 must be  $c$  & Row 3 col 3 must be  $b$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  This lets all Col./rows have exactly one copy of  $a, b, c, d$

$\hookrightarrow$  by letting  $c \cdot b = c$  &  $b \cdot b = b$ , we let all elements have identities with  $b$ .



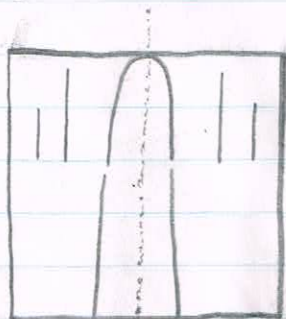
④ For Parts a, b, & c, determine the Symmetry groups of the given Plane figures:



Both Reflexive & rotational Symmetry  
thus, this is the Same Symmetry as a hexagon  
therefore, the Symmetry is a dihedral group of  
6 points.

↳  $\therefore D_6$

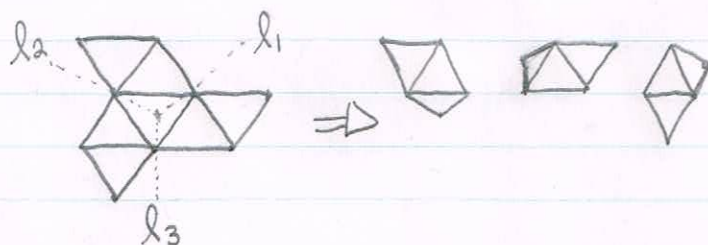
b)  $R_2$



this has Reflexive Symmetry  
However, if rotated the image will be inverted  
there is mirror Symmetry thus  $n=2$

↳  $\therefore R_2$

c)  $C_3$



this has rotational Symmetry  
this lacks reflexive Symmetry  
thus, this is a cyclic group  
there are three cycle elements.

↳  $\therefore C_3$

d) Compute  $|Z_{19}^*|$  &  $|Z_{21}^*|$ :

$|Z_{19}^*| = 18$

Since 19 is Prime, every non-zero positive integer less than 19 is relatively  
Prime to 19  $\therefore |Z_{19}^*| = 19 - 1 = 18$

$|Z_{21}^*| = 13$

$Z_{21}^* = \{[a] \mid 1 \leq a < 21, (a, 21) = 1\}$  → look for numbers between 1 & 20 that  
are not divisible by 3 or by 7.  
 $= \{[1], [2], [4], [5], [8], [10], [11], [13], [16], [17], [19], [20]\}$  → 13 elements

↳  $\therefore |Z_{21}^*| = 13$

e) Name a group that is non-abelian & that's not a dihedral group:  
 the group  $S_3$  is non-abelian since  $(1,3)(2,3) = (1,3,2)$   
 yet  $(2,3)(1,3) = (1,2,3)$ .  
 $\hookrightarrow \therefore S_3$

⑤ Determine whether the following statements are true or false. Justify your responses:

a) let  $G$  be a group over multiplication & let  $x, y, z \in G$ .

Then  $(xyz)^{-1} = x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$ :

$(xyz)^{-1} = (x^{-1}(yz)^{-1}) = x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$  by the law  $(xy)^n = x^n y^n$

However, according to the law of exponents:

If  $G$  is abelian,  $(xy)^n = x^n y^n$

thus, let  $G$  be a non-abelian group

$(xyz)^{-1} = x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$  if & only if  $G$  is abelian

$G$  is not Abelian

$\therefore$  It is false by Contradiction

$\therefore$  False

b) The Set of all nonzero elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_8$  is an Abelian group with respect to multiplication:

test for property 4 of groups:

$G$  has an inverse element for each  $a \in G$  there's a  $b \in G$  such that  $a*b = b*a = e$

$\mathbb{Z}_8$  without zero elements is  $= \{[1], [2], \dots, [6], [7]\}$

let  $a_1 = [3]$  &  $a_2 = [7]$ :

$$b[3] = [3]b = e \rightarrow 3b = e$$

$$b[7] = [7]b = e \rightarrow 7b = e$$

$$3b = 7b \rightarrow 3 \neq 7$$

thus,  $e$  does not exist

$\therefore$  False, there's no identity element in  $\mathbb{Z}_8^\times$  so  $\mathbb{Z}_8^\times \notin G$

$\therefore$  False

c) The identity element in a group  $G$  is its own inverse:

let  $e$  be the identity of group  $G$

let  $g = e^{-1}$ , then since  $g$  is the inverse we see:

$$g*e = e^{-1}*e = e \text{ by condition four of groups}$$

Since for  $a, b \in G$   $a*b = b*a = e$  then if  $a = e$  &  $b = e^{-1}$

we note  $e*e^{-1} = e^{-1}*e = e$ , since  $e \in G$

$\therefore$  True by the above

$\therefore$  True

d) let  $G$  be a nonAbelian group. Then  $xy \neq yx$  for all  $x, y \in G$ :

let  $G$  be a non-Abelian group

let  $x, y \in G$

let  $e$  be the identity element of  $G$

then by Condition three of groups, there's a  $e \in G$  such that

$$x * e = e * x = x \text{ for all } x \in G$$

let  $x = e$  &  $y \in G$ :

$$x * y = y * x \text{ by the above}$$

Since  $xy = yx = x$  then it cannot be the case that all  $xy \neq yx$  for all  $x, y \in G$ .

$\therefore$  False by Contradiction

$\therefore$  False