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Title page Introduction WRITE ALL THE SOLUTIONS FAK Somehow synchronize with the book tex so things don't blow up when Evan permutes chapters

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1 Chapter 1

1A. A finite group clearly does not have a subgroup isomorphic to itself, because the two groups have different orders. Therefore, only infinite groups may have subgroups isomorphic to themselves. \square

1B. Let $g \in G$ be any element of the group, and let $g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{|G|}$ be an enumeration of the elements of G . Recall that left-multiplication by g permutes the elements of G . Therefore,

$$g_1 g_2 \cdots g_{|G|} = (gg_1)(gg_2) \cdots (gg_{|G|}).$$

Since G is abelian, we can rearrange the right-hand side and cancel $g_1 g_2 \cdots g_{|G|}$, leaving $g^{|G|} = 1$. \square

1C. Observe that D_6 and S_3 both represent the symmetries of a triangle, and are therefore isomorphic.

The group D_{24} , which represents the symmetries of a regular dodecagon, has an element of order 12. Since S_4 does not have an element of order 12, the groups cannot be isomorphic. \square

1D. By Lagrange's Theorem, all elements have order dividing p ; thus, all elements have order 1 or p . Since exactly one element, the identity, has order 1, there is at least one element $g \in G$ with order p . Then, the elements $1, g, g^2, \dots, g^{p-1}$ are distinct, so G is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_p . \square

1E. a) Let $G = \{g_1, \dots, g_{|G|}\}$. By the cancellation law, left-multiplication by any element $g_i \in G$ permutes the set $\{g_1, \dots, g_{|G|}\}$, and we may identify g_i with the corresponding permutation of $\{1, \dots, |G|\}$. Left-multiplying the set $\{g_1, \dots, g_{|G|}\}$ by $g_i, g_j \in G$ is the same as left-multiplying by g_j , then by g_i , so multiplication in G corresponds to composition in $S_{|G|}$. This is an isomorphism.

b) By (a), G is isomorphic to some subgroup of $S_{|G|}$. So, G is also isomorphic to the group of corresponding permutation matrices in $GL_{|G|}(\mathbb{R})$.

1F. Recall that S_3 is defined as the group generated by x, y under the relations $x^3 = y^2 = 1, yx = x^2y$.

We identify each white chip with x and each black chip with y , so the row of chips, read left to right, is a product of x 's and y 's. Observe that

$$xxx = yy$$

$$xxy = yx$$

$$yxx = xy$$

$$yxy = xx.$$

Hence, the product of the row of chips is invariant under the given operation.

If $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, the product of the chips is $x^n = x$. So, if it is possible to reach a state with two chips, the product of those chips must be x .

Observe that the number of black chips is always even. Thus, if two chips remain in the end, they must be both black or both white.

But, $xx = x^2 \neq x$ and $yy = 1 \neq x$. This is a contradiction. \square

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12A.

Let R be a finite integral domain, and let $r \in R$ be nonzero.

We claim that the map $R \rightarrow R$ given by $x \mapsto rx$ is a permutation of R . Indeed, if $rx_1 = rx_2$ for distinct $x_1, x_2 \in R$, then $r(x_1 - x_2) = 0$, contradicting that R is an integral domain.

This means there exists x such that $rx = 1$, so r is a unit. Since this is true for all r , R is a field. \square

12B.

a) If J is maximal, we're obviously done. Otherwise, J is contained in a proper ideal J_1 . Then, if J_1 is maximal, we're done. Else, J_1 is contained in a proper ideal J_2 . Continuing in this manner we get a chain $J \subsetneq J_1 \subsetneq J_2 \subsetneq \dots$. Since R is Noetherian, this chain has to stop - and it can only stop at a maximal ideal. \square

b) Consider the poset whose elements are proper ideals of R containing J . Every chain $J_0 \subset J_1 \subset \dots$ has an upper bound $\bigcup J_i$. By Zorn's Lemma, there is a local maximum, which is a maximal ideal. \square

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12D.

Let R be a Noetherian ring. Suppose for contradiction that some ideal $J \subset R[x]$ requires infinitely many generators. We can then find an infinite sequence of non-redundant generators $\{p_i\}_i$ (i.e. p_k is not in the ideal generated by p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}) of J .

We initialize the ideal $I \subset R[x]$ as the zero ideal and add generators from $\{p_i\}_i$ one by one. We will show that eventually we can't add any more non-redundant generators.

For $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, define

$$C_{I,n} = \{k \in \mathbb{Z} \mid I \text{ contains a polynomial of degree } n \text{ and leading coefficient } k.\}$$

Observe that:

- $C_{I,n}$ is an ideal of R ;
- $C_{I,n} \subset C_{I,n+1}$ for all n .

The two remaining observations we need are:

Proposition 12.1. *Adding a non-redundant generator to I will grow at least one ideal $C_{I,n}$*

Proof. Suppose we add p_k to $I = \langle p_1, \dots, p_{k-1} \rangle$. Since $p_k \notin I$, we can mod out p_k by I until we reach a polynomial p'_k such that no polynomial in I matches p_k 's degree and leading coefficient. Adding p_k to I is equivalent to adding p'_k ; thus when we add p_k to I we grow the ideal $C_{I, \deg p'_k}$. \square

Proposition 12.2. *The collection of ideals $\{C_{I,n}\}_n$ can only grow a finite number of times.*

Proof. This follows from the fact that R is Noetherian and the condition $C_{I,n} \subset C_{I,n+1}$. \square

So, after adding finitely many generators, we get stuck. \square

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