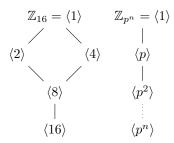
- 1. Let G be an abelian group. (Do not assume that G is finite.)
  - (a) Prove that  $H = \{x \in G \mid |x| \text{ is odd}\}$  is a subgroup of G. It is clear that H is finite as G is finite. Here H is non empty as  $e \in H$  since the power of e is one which is odd. Assume  $a, b \in H$ . This implies that there are odd integers p and q such that  $a^p = e$  and  $b^q = e$ . Now consider the closure of H.  $(a \circ b)^{pq} = a^{pq} \circ b^{pq}$  since G is abelian. Now we have  $(a^p)^q \circ (b^q)^p = e$ . The multiplication of two odd integers is odd so  $a \circ b \in H$ . Thus H is closed. Hence H is a subgroup of G.
  - (b) Give an example to show that  $K = \{x \in G \mid |x| \text{ is } 1 \text{ or even} \}$  need not be subgroup of G. Consider the integers under addition modulo six. The set containing three has order one but does not contain the identity so it is not a subgroup.
- 2. Show that U(n) is a group under multiplication modulo n.
  - (a) Associativity: Associativity is inherited from the integers.
  - (b) Identity: 1 is always in U(n) so e = 1.
  - (c) Closure: Let  $a, b \in U(n)$ . a has no common factor with n (other than 1) b has no common factor with n (other than 1) So, If ab < n, then ab doesn't have any common factors with n. If ab > n, then for some  $p \in \mathbb{Z}, ab pn < n$ . Since ab doesn't have any common factor with n, ab pn can't either.  $ab \neq n$ , because neither a nor b can have any common factors with n) So,  $ab \in U(n)$
  - (d) Inverse: Fix  $a \in U(n)$ . Because gcd(a, n) = 1, there exist integers  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that sa + tn = 1. Working modulo n, we see that  $sa \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . But we have thus found our inverse to a, namely smod n.
- 3. Find a noncyclic subgroup of order 4 in U(36). (Hint: Use Homework 2 Problem 3 for inspiration.)

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4. Determine the subgroup lattice of  $\mathbb{Z}_{16}$ . Generalize to  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^n}$  where p is prime and n is some positive integer. (No justification required.)



- 5. Suppose that G is a group with more than one element. If the only subgroups of G are  $\{e\}$  and G, prove that G is cyclic and has prime order. (Do not assume from the start that G is finite.)
  - Take any  $a \neq e$  for  $a \in G$  (this is possible since G has more than one element. Then  $\langle a \rangle \neq \{e\}$ , so  $\langle a \rangle = G$ , hence G is cyclic. Consider the subgroup  $\langle a^2 \rangle$ . If this is  $\{e\}$ , then a has order 2, so we are finished. Otherwise  $\langle a^2 \rangle = G$ , and we can write  $a = a^{2k}$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . But then  $e = a^{2k-1}$ , so a (hence G) has finite order. Now let |G| = n. Because n > 1, by unique

factorization there exists a prime p dividing n. If  $\langle a^p \rangle = \{e\}$  then n divides p combined with p dividing n implies n = p. Otherwise  $\langle a^p \rangle = G$  meaning  $a^p$  is a generator for G. But this is only true if n and a nontrivial divisor of n and p, are coprime. This is impossible. Therefore n = p.