Math 321 Fall 2016

Homework 8

Due: November 4, 2016

You are welcome to work together but everyone needs to write up **distinct** solutions. If you use any books outside of our textbook or other people, please make sure to give them credit. Make sure your solutions are complete. If your handwriting is atrocious, I am happy to give you a basic introduction to LATEX.

- 1. Let $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 2b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}. \right\}$ and let $H = \{a + b\sqrt{2} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$
 - (a) Prove that G and H are isomorphic under addition.
 - (b) Notice that G and H are closed under multiplication (you can just check this for yourself). Does your isomorphism preserve multiplication as well as addition?
- 2. 13.8
- 3. If g and a are elements of a group, prove that Z(a) is isomorphic to $Z(gag^{-1})$ (where $Z(a) = \{g \in G \mid gag^{-1} = a\}$ is the *centralizer* of the element a and not to be confused with the *center* of a group, see page 93).
- 4. 13.18 (We needed this to prove the Correspondence Theorem.)
- 5. 16.1
- 6. 16.9 (Part (a) should look familiar!)
- 7. 16.11
- 8. 16.15
- 9. 16.23
- 10. 16.24 (The mathematical concepts in this problem are some of the concepts we will study in more depth next semester in MAT-324.)