

1. Which of the following sets with the corresponding binary operation (denoted by  $*$ ) forms a Group? If it is not a group, which Group axiom does it violate? If it is a group, is the group abelian?
  - (a) Let  $G = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$ , with the binary operation  $*$  denoting the usual complex number multiplication.
  - (b) Let  $G = \{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid A^T = A, A \text{ is invertible}\}$  with the binary operation  $*$  denoting usual matrix multiplication.
  - (c)  $G = \mathbb{R}$ , with  $\forall a, b \in G, a * b := \exp(a) \cdot \exp(b)$ , where  $\cdot$  denotes usual real number multiplication.
  - (d)  $G = \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  with the binary operation  $*$  denoting multiplication modulo-4.
  - (e)  $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  with the binary operation  $*$  denoting multiplication modulo-5.
2. For the given sets  $V$ , fields  $\mathbb{F}$ , and the binary operations  $+$ ,  $\cdot$ , find out whether  $(V, +, \cdot)$  forms a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$  or not.

- (a) Let  $V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ , and  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ . The binary operations are:  $+$  is the same as the addition of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and scalar multiplication  $\cdot$  is the same as that of  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (b) Let  $V = \mathcal{C}[a, b]$  be the set of real-valued continuous functions defined on the interval  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ , with the following binary operations:  $\forall f, g \in V, (f + g)(x) := f(x) + g(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$ , and  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, \forall f \in V, (a \cdot f)(x) := a \times f(x), \forall x \in [a, b]$ .
- (c) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F} = (\mathbb{Z}_2, \oplus, \times)$ , where  $\oplus$  denotes addition modulo-2, and  $\times$  is the usual multiplication. The binary operations are: Addition is the usual real number addition, scalar multiplication is also the usual real number multiplication.
- (d) Let  $V = (0, \infty) \subset \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$ . The binary operations are as follows:  $\forall p, q \in V, p + q := p \times q$ , where  $\times$  is the usual real number multiplication, and  $\forall a \in \mathbb{R}, \forall p \in V, a \cdot p = p^a$ .
- (e)  $V = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$  with usual complex number addition and multiplication between real and complex numbers defining the two binary operations.