

## Answer for Homework 3

P426, 10:

$G = \mathbb{Z}_4 = \{[0], [1], [2], [3]\}$  and obviously  $H$  is a nonempty subset of  $G$ .

$$[0]H = \{[0], [2]\},$$

$$[1]H = \{[1], [3]\},$$

$$[2]H = \{[2], [0]\}, \text{ and}$$

$$[3]H = \{[3], [1]\}.$$

P431, 6:

First prove that  $\langle S, + \rangle$  is an **Abelian** by showing the **closure**, *association*, **identity** (0), **inverse** ( $-a-b\sqrt{5}$ ) and *commutation*.

Then, show that  $\langle S - \{0\}, * \rangle$  is a *commutative monoid* with **closure**, *association* and **identity** (1) and *commutation*.

Finally,  $*$  is distributive on  $+$  and therefore  $\langle S, +, * \rangle$  is a *commutative ring* with **identity** (1).

1.

(1)  $\{p_1, p_4, p_5\}, \{p_2, p_3, p_6\}, \{p_3, p_6, p_2\}, \{p_4, p_5, p_1\}, \{p_5, p_1, p_4\}, \{p_6, p_2, p_3\}.$

(2)  $\{p_1\}, \{p_2\}, \{p_3\}, \{p_4\}, \{p_5\}, \{p_6\}$ .

2.

(1) It is a **ring** but not a **field** since there is no **identity** in  $\langle \mathbf{A} - \{0\}, \cdot \rangle$ .

(2) It is not a **ring** since  $+$  is not **closed** on  $\mathbf{A}$ .

(3) It is a **field**. Obviously  $\langle \mathbf{A}, + \rangle$  is an **Abelian**, and to show that  $\langle \mathbf{A} - \{0\}, \cdot \rangle$  is an **Abelian**, the following properties need to be proved.

Since  $\mathbf{A}$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ , the *commutative law* and *associative law* are satisfied on the normal multiplication.

For any  $x = a + b\sqrt{5}$  and  $y = c + d\sqrt{5}$  in  $\mathbf{A} - \{0\}$ ,  $x \cdot y = (a + b\sqrt{5}) \cdot (c + d\sqrt{5}) = (ac + 5bd) + (ad + bc)\sqrt{5}$ .

Since 1 is in  $\mathbf{A} - \{0\}$  and for any  $x$  in  $\mathbf{A} - \{0\}$ ,  $x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$ , 1 is the **identity** of  $\mathbf{A} - \{0\}$ .

Since for any  $x = a + b\sqrt{5}$  in  $\mathbf{A} - \{0\}$ ,  $x \cdot \frac{1}{a + b\sqrt{5}} = \frac{a - b\sqrt{5}}{a^2 - 5b^2} \cdot x = 1 = x \cdot \frac{a - b\sqrt{5}}{a^2 - 5b^2}$ , the **inverse** of  $x$  is  $\frac{a}{a^2 - 5b^2} + \frac{b}{5b^2 - a^2}\sqrt{5}$ .

In conclusion,  $\langle \mathbf{A}, +, \cdot \rangle$  is a **field**.

3.

$(a + b)^2 = (a + b) * (a + b) = (a + b) * a + (a + b) * b = a * a + b * a + a * b + b * b = a^2 + a * b + b * a + b^2$ .

4.

(1)  $(a+a) = (a+a)*(a+a) = (a+a)*a + (a+a)*a = a*a + a*a + a*a + a*a = a + a + a + a$ . Add  $(a^{-1}+a^{-1})$  to both sides and the result will be  $a+a = e$ .

(2) For any  $a$  and  $b$  in  $G$ ,  $(a+b) = (a+b)*(a+b) = a + a*b + b*a + b$ .

Therefore,  $a*b = b*a$  and  $\langle A, +, * \rangle$  is a *commutative* ring.