

**Instructions**

- Due at the beginning of class Friday 25 January.
1. Give proofs of the following facts that establish that the set  $U(n)$ , defined in Example 11 on p.46, is a group. Let  $n > 1$  be a natural number.
    - (a) Show that  $U(n)$  is closed under multiplication modulo  $n$ .
    - (b) Show that the positive integer  $a$  has a multiplicative inverse modulo  $n$  if and only if  $a$  and  $n$  are relatively prime.
  2. Let  $G$  be a group with the property that for any  $x, y, z$  in the group,  $xy = zx$  implies  $y = z$ . Show that  $G$  is Abelian.
  3. Prove that in a group,  $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2$  if and only if  $ab = ba$ .