

## Chapter 3

### *Exercise 1.*

- (a) False.  $U(8)$  is not cyclic. We can verify this manually by noticing that the order of every element is 2, and so no individual element can generate the group  $U(8)$  of order 4.
- (b) False. The generators of  $Z_{60}$  are all of the integers  $1 \leq r < 60$  such that  $\gcd(r, n) = 1$ , and we can notice that  $\gcd(49, 60) = 1$  but 49 is composite.
- (c) False. Any element  $a$  that could be a generator for  $\mathbb{Q}$ , the element  $a/2$  is not generated by  $a$ .
- (d) False. Consider  $S_3$ . Every subgroup is cyclic, but the group is not.
- (e) True. Suppose  $G$  is infinite. Consider an element  $g \in G$ .  $\langle g \rangle$  cannot be finite, since that would imply there are infinitely many subgroups. But  $\langle g \rangle$  cannot be infinite, since then  $\langle g^n \rangle$  would provide infinite subgroups over all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Therefore if there are finitely many subgroups the group must be finite.

### *Exercise 2.*

- (a)  $|5| = 12$
- (b)  $|\sqrt{3}| = \infty$
- (c)  $|\sqrt{3}| = \infty$
- (d)  $|-i| = 4$
- (e)  $|72| = 10$
- (f)  $|312| = 157$

### *Exercise 3.*

- (a)  $\{\dots, -14, -7, 0, 7, 14, \dots\}$
- (b)  $\{0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21\}$
- (c)  $\{0\}, \{0, 6\}, \{0, 4, 8\}, \{0, 3, 6, 9\}, \{0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10\}, \mathbb{Z}_{12}$
- (d)  $\{0\}, \{0, 30\}, \{0, 20, 40\}, \{0, 15, 30, 45\}, \{0, 12, 24, 36, 48\}, \{0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50\}, \{0, 6, 12, \dots, 48, 54\}, \{0, 5, 10, \dots, 50, 55\}, \{0, 4, 8, \dots, 52, 56\}, \{0, 3, 6, \dots, 54, 57\}, \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 56, 58\}, \mathbb{Z}_{60}$
- (e)  $\{0\}, \mathbb{Z}_{13}$
- (f)  $\{0\}, \{0, 24\}, \{0, 16, 32\}, \{0, 12, 24, 36\}, \{0, 8, 16, 24, 32, 40\}, \{0, 6, 12, \dots, 36, 42\}, \{0, 4, 8, \dots, 40, 44\}, \{0, 3, 6, \dots, 42, 45\}, \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 44, 46\}, \mathbb{Z}_{48}$
- (g)  $\{1, 3, 7, 9\}$
- (h)  $\{1, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17\}$
- (i)  $\{\dots, 1/49, 1/7, 1, 7, 49, \dots\}$
- (j)  $\{1, i, -1, -i\}$

- (k)  $\{\dots -1/4, -i/2, 1, 2i, -4\}$   
 (l)  $\{1, e^{i\pi/4}, e^{i\pi/2}, \dots, e^{3i\pi/2}, e^{7i\pi/8}\}$   
 (m)  $\{1, e^{i\pi/3}, e^{2i\pi/3}, e^{i\pi}, e^{4i\pi/3}, e^{5i\pi/3}\}$

**Exercise 4.**

- (a)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 (b)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1/3 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 (c)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 (d)  $\left\{ \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$   
 (e)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{n+2} & -\phi_{n+1} \\ -\phi_{n+1} & \phi_n \end{bmatrix}, \dots \right\}$  where  $\phi_n$  is the  $n$ th Fibonacci number  
 (f)  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \\ -1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \\ -\sqrt{3}/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \dots, \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & \sqrt{3}/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

**Exercise 5.**

0: 1; 1: 18; 2: 9; 3: 6; 4: 9; 5: 18; 6: 3; 7: 18; 8: 9; 9: 2; 10: 9; 11: 18; 12: 3;  
 13: 18; 14: 9; 15: 6; 16: 9; 17: 18

**Exercise 6.**

$id : 1; \rho_1 : 4; \rho_2 : 2; \rho_3 : 4; \mu_1 : 2; \mu_2 : 2; \delta_1 : 2; \delta_2 : 2$

**Exercise 7.**

$\{1\}, \{1, -1\}, \{1, I, -1, -I\}, \{1, J, -1, -J\}, \{1, K, -1, -K\}$

**Exercise 8.**

$\{1\}, \{1, 7, 13, 19\}, \{1, 11\}, \{1, 17, 19, 23\}, \{1, 19\}, \{1, 29\}$

**Exercise 9.**

4, 12, 20, 28

**Exercise 10.**

- (a) 0  
 (b) 1, -1  
 (c) 1, -1

***Exercise 11.***

$|a| = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 12, 24$

***Exercise 12.***

Cyclic group with 1 generator:  $\mathbb{Z}_2$

Cyclic group with 2 generators:  $\mathbb{Z}_3$

Cyclic group with 4 generators:  $\mathbb{Z}_5$

It is impossible to find a cyclic group for any  $n$  generators, since the number of generators of  $\mathbb{Z}_m$  is given by  $\phi(m)$ , Euler's totient function. There are some  $n$  for which  $\phi(m) = n$  does not exist (the first being 14).

***Exercise 13.***

The only groups  $U(n)$  for  $n \leq 20$  that are not cyclic are  $n = 8, 12, 15, 16, 20$ .

*Proof.*  $U(n)$  will be cyclic if and only if  $n = 1, 2, 4, p^k$ , or  $2p^k$ , where  $p$  is an odd prime number.  
 $(\Leftarrow)$  Cases for  $n = 1, 2, 4$  are trivial.

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***Exercise 14.***

See from exercise 4 that  $A$  and  $B$  have finite orders from parts (a) and (c) respectively. We can notice that  $AB$  gives us the matrix in part (d), which did not have finite order.