

**6.3** No, if there were some generator  $(a, b) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  we have that  $(a, b)^n = (na, nb)$  but there is no possible power  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $(a, b-1) = (na, nb) = (a, b)^n$  since  $a = na$  implies that  $n = 1$  but then  $nb \neq b-1$ .

**6.5** For any element  $(a, b) \in A \times B$  we have  $(a, b) \circ (a^{-1}, b^{-1}) = (e_a, e_b)$ , and  $(a^{-1}, b^{-1}) \in A \times B$  since,  $A, B$  are groups. Therefore every element has an inverse. We already know the operations are associative since crossing two associative operations is an associative operation, and finally we know  $A \times B$  is closed under these operations since we just apply the operations component wise and  $A, B$  are closed under their respective operation. Therefore  $A \times B$  is a subgroup of  $G \times H$

**6.10** We have

$$\{(0, 0)\}, \langle(1, 0)\rangle, \langle(1, 1)\rangle, \langle(0, 1)\rangle, \langle(0, 2)\rangle, \langle(1, 2)\rangle$$

For a total of 6 subgroups

**6.12** (i). If  $(a, b)$  is a generator of  $G \times H$ , then for any  $g \in G$  and  $h \in H$  we have for some  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , since  $G \times H$  is a cyclic for  $(g, h) \in G \times H$  we have  $(a, b)^n = (a^n, b^n) = (g, h) \Leftrightarrow a^n = g, b^n = h$  and so  $a, b$  are generators of  $G, H$  respectively

(ii). For any subgroup  $A \times B$  of  $G \times H$  we know that for any  $(a, b) \in A \times B$ ,  $(a, b)^{-1} = (a^{-1}, b^{-1}) \in A \times B$ , we know the group operations must be closed and associative as well. Therefore  $A$  and  $B$  satisfy all the conditions to be subgroups of  $G, H$  respectively since the inverse of every element in  $A, B$  is contained in  $A, B$  respectively and the sets are closed under their respective group operation.

### 13.10

- a. If  $G$  is abelian then  $G \times G$  is abelian. We know that any subgroup of an abelian group is normal, and so this would imply  $D$  is normal. Conversely if  $G$  was not abelian, we can take elements  $a, b \in G$  that don't commute, we have for  $(b, b) \in D$

$$(a, b)(b, b)(a, b)^{-1} = (aba^{-1}, bbb^{-1}) = (aba^{-1}, b)$$

Since  $ab \neq ba$  we know  $(ab)a^{-1} \neq baa^{-1} = b$  which means

$$(a, b)(b, b)(a, b)^{-1} = (aba^{-1}, b) \notin D$$

- b. Let  $\varphi : G \times G$  be defined as  $\varphi(a, b) = ab^{-1}$ , we have

$$\varphi(a, b)\varphi(c, d) = ab^{-1}cd^{-1} = ac(bd)^{-1} = \varphi(ac, bd)$$

So  $\varphi$  is a homomorphism.  $D$  is precisely the kernel of  $\varphi$  since  $\varphi(a, b) = e \Leftrightarrow ab^{-1} = e \Leftrightarrow a = b$ . Therefore by the fundamental theorem we have

$$(G \times G)/D \cong G$$

### 13.11

- a. We can define a homomorphism  $\varphi : G \rightarrow G/H \times G/K$  with  $\varphi(g) = (gH, gK)$ . To show it is a homomorphism we have for  $a, b \in G$ :

$$\varphi(a)\varphi(b) = (aH, aK)(bH, bK) = (abH, abK) = \varphi(ab)$$

We know that  $\ker(\varphi) = H \cap K$  since  $\varphi(g) = (H, K) \Leftrightarrow g \in K$  and  $g \in H$ . Therefore by the Fundamental Theorem we have

$$G/(H \cap K) \cong \varphi(G)$$

We know  $\varphi(G)$  must be a subgroup of  $G/H \times G/K$  since the image of a homomorphism is a group. And so we are done

- b. If  $G = HK$  we can show the  $\varphi$  from part a is surjective which would imply  $\varphi(G) = G/H \times G/K$ . For any  $(aH, bK) \in G/H \times G/K$ . Since  $G = HK$ ,  $a = h_a k_a, b = h_b k_b$  where  $h_a, h_b \in H, k_a, k_b \in K$ . Now since  $H, K$  are normal:

$$(h_a k_a H, h_b k_b K) = (h_a H k_a, h_b K) = (k_a H, h_b K)$$

and so we have

$$\varphi(k_a h_b) = (k_a H, h_b K)$$

And so  $\varphi$  is surjective.

**13.16** They are isomorphic. We have

$$\frac{G \times H}{A \times B} = \{(a, b)(G, H) : (a, b) \in A \times B\} = \{(aG, bH) : a \in A, b \in B\} = G/A \times H/B$$

**13.20** We can compose  $\varphi$  with the canonical homomorphism  $\rho : K \rightarrow K/J$ . The composition of homomorphisms is a homomorphism so  $\varphi \circ \rho$  is a homomorphism. Now we can use the Fundamental Theorem, letting  $f = \varphi \circ \rho$  we have  $f : G \rightarrow K/J$  is a homomorphism and is surjective since  $\rho$  is surjective and  $\varphi$  is surjective.

$$G/\ker(f) \cong K/J$$

And  $\ker(f)$  is some normal subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ .

### 13.25

- a. We have for  $D_3$ , the symmetry group of the triangle which is not abelian, we established in class  $H = \{e, FR\}$  is a normal subgroup and  $H$  is abelian since there is only two elements and one of them is  $e$ . We also know  $D_3/H$  is abelian since  $D_3/H = \{eH, RH, R^2H\}$  and all the  $R$ s commute. So  $D_3$  is metabelian.
- b. Let  $H$  be the subgroup of  $G$  that is abelian along with  $G/H$  being abelian. We know  $\varphi(H)$  is an abelian subgroup of  $K$  that is normal since the image of an abelian group is an abelian group for any homomorphism and from thm 13.3 we get normality. We will call  $\varphi(H)$   $J$  for convenience. We have that  $K/J$  is abelian since for any  $aJ, bJ \in K/J$  since  $\varphi$  is surjective there is some  $a_g, b_g \in G : \varphi(a_g) = a, \varphi(b_g) = b$  and so we have

$$aJbJ = abJ = \varphi(a_g)\varphi(b_g)J = \varphi(a_gb_gH)$$

and since  $G/H$  is abelian

$$= \varphi(b_ga_gH) = baJ = bJaJ$$

And so  $K$  is metabelian