

Skill Check 6*Due: Tuesday, 11/16/20*

1. Prove the following are homomorphisms, find its image and kernel.

a) $\phi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \phi(n) = n.$

Note that both operations are standard addition. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\phi(a + b) = a + b = \phi(a) + \phi(b).$$

We can see from the definition of ϕ that $0 \in \ker \phi$. If any number $a \in \ker \phi$, then

$$a = \phi(a) = 0,$$

implies that 0 is the only element in there. Thus,

$$\ker \phi = \{0\}.$$

The image of ϕ is itself as a subset of \mathbb{R} . $Im(\phi) = \mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$.

b) $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2, \phi(x) = x \pmod{2}.$

The mapping is onto,

$$Im(\phi) = \{0, 1\} = \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_6$.

$$\phi(a + b) = a + b \pmod{2}.$$

The sum on the right is understood to be $a + b$ then $\pmod{2}$. It can be shown with the Division Algorithm that $a + b \pmod{2}$ is equal to $a \pmod{2} + b \pmod{2}$. Thus,

$$\phi(a + b) = a \pmod{2} + b \pmod{2} = \phi(a) + \phi(b).$$

The kernel is the set of even numbers in \mathbb{Z}_6 .

$$\ker \phi = \{0, 2, 4\}.$$

c) $\phi : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by

$$\phi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^*$.

$$\phi(ab) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & ab \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} = \phi(a)\phi(b).$$

From the definition of ϕ ,

$$\ker \phi = \{1\}.$$

I'm not sure how to describe the image. It's the set of 2×2 diagonal matrices with \mathbb{R} non-zero determinants.

2. a) Let $H_2 = \{A, C\}$. This subgroup can be used to construct a quotient group. The only other subset that this constructs is

$$\overline{H_2} = \{B, D, E, F\}.$$

This subset is not its own inverse and therefore has no inverse since there's only two subsets.

- b) Let $H_1 = \{A, B, D\}$ and $H_2 = \{C, E, F\}$. The group table for the quotient group is

	H_1	H_2
H_1	H_1	H_2
H_2	H_2	H_1