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(a) The operation table for  $U_{44}$  is given in Table 1. Explain why  $U_{44} = \langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle$ , the internal direct product of the subgroups  $\langle [3] \rangle$  and  $\langle [21] \rangle$ .

First of all,  $\langle [3] \rangle = \{[1], [3], [9], [15], [23], [25], [27], [31], [37]\}$  and  $\langle [21] \rangle = \{[1], [21]\}$ . From this we see that the intersection of  $\langle [3] \rangle$  and  $\langle [21] \rangle$  contains only  $[1]$ . From Theorem 26.6 (2) we can conclude that each element in  $\langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle$  has a unique representation  $kn$  where  $k \in \langle [3] \rangle$  and  $n \in \langle [21] \rangle$ . And so,  $|\langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle| = |\langle [3] \rangle| \cdot |\langle [21] \rangle| = 10 \cdot 2 = 20$ . From the closure property of the group  $G$  and the fact that  $\langle [3] \rangle$  and  $\langle [21] \rangle$  are subgroups of  $G$  we know that each element in  $\langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle$  is also in  $G$ . From this fact and the fact that  $\langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle$  and  $G$  have the same order, it must be the case that  $G = \langle [3] \rangle \times \langle [21] \rangle$ .

(b)