MATH 3140 Homework 8

Exercises: 1 and 2 (below); Judson Ch 9. 6, 19, 22, 27, 31, 37, and one of 40, 41, 42

Recommended: 21, 23 (hint: it's false), 28, 38–42, 45, 46, 53, 54

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The first few exercises require some definitions from lecture, repeated here for your convenience.

Let $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, F^{\mathbf{A}} \rangle$ and $\mathbf{B} = \langle B, F^{\mathbf{B}} \rangle$ be two algebras of the same *similarity type*. That is, to each operation symbol $f \in F$ there corresponds an operation $f^{\mathbf{A}}$ defined on \mathbf{A} and an operation $f^{\mathbf{B}}$ defined on \mathbf{B} . Thus, the set of operations defined on \mathbf{A} is the set $F^{\mathbf{A}} = \{f^{\mathbf{A}} : f \in F\}$; similarly $F^{\mathbf{B}} = \{f^{\mathbf{B}} : f \in F\}$.

For example, any two groups **G** and **H** have the same similarity type. To emphasize this, we could denote the operations of these groups using the precise (albeit somewhat awkward) notation of the previous paragraph, as follows:

$$\mathbf{G} = \langle G, \circ^{\mathbf{G}}, \text{inv}^{\mathbf{G}}, e^{\mathbf{G}} \rangle$$
 and $\mathbf{H} = \langle H, \circ^{\mathbf{H}}, \text{inv}^{\mathbf{H}}, e^{\mathbf{H}} \rangle$.

Here $\circ^{\mathbf{G}}$, inv^{\mathbf{G}}, and $e^{\mathbf{G}}$ represent the *interpretation in* \mathbf{G} of the binary, unary (inverse), and nullary (identity) operations that a group must possess (similarly for \mathbf{H}).

An algebra homomorphism (or simply homomorphism), denoted by $\varphi : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{B}$, is a function φ with domain A and codomain B that satisfies the following conditions: for each $f \in F$, if f is an n-ary operation symbol, and if $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in A$, then

$$\varphi(f^{\mathbf{A}}(a_1,\ldots,a_n))=f^{\mathbf{B}}(\varphi(a_1),\ldots,\varphi(a_n)).$$

For example, a group homomorphism $\varphi : \mathbf{G} \to \mathbf{H}$ is a function φ with domain G and codomain H that satisfies, $\forall x, y \in G$,

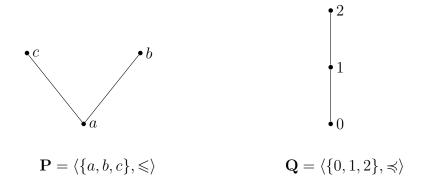
- (1) $\varphi(x \circ^{\mathbf{G}} y) = \varphi(x) \circ^{\mathbf{H}} \varphi(y),$
- (2) $\varphi(\operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{G}}(x)) = \operatorname{inv}^{\mathbf{H}}(\varphi(x)),$
- (3) $\varphi(e^{\mathbf{G}}) = e^{\mathbf{H}}$.

The textbook defines a group isomorphism to be a group homomorphism that is both one-to-one and onto. This definition is fine for algebraic structures (like groups). It does not work, however, for relational structures, like posets. (See Exercise 3 below). A definition that works for both algebraic and relational structures is the following: A homomorphism $\varphi : \mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{B}$ is an isomorphism if there exists a homomorphism $\psi : \mathbf{B} \to \mathbf{A}$ that composes with φ to give the identity, that is, $\varphi \circ \psi = \mathrm{id}_B$ and $\psi \circ \varphi = \mathrm{id}_A$. (Here, id_X denotes the identity function on the set X: $\mathrm{id}_X(x) = x$.)

Exercises

1. When discussing two groups, like **G** and **H** above, our textbook uses more convenient notation, such as (G, \cdot) and (H, \circ) (or, even more simply, G and H). The book defines a homomorphism to be a function $\varphi : G \to H$ satisfying $\varphi(x \cdot y) = \varphi(x) \circ \varphi(y)$. Prove that this is equivalent to the definition given above by showing that conditions (2) and (3) are unnecessary. (*Hint.* Assuming (1), derive (3), then derive (2).)

2. A poset homomorphism is an order preserving map. That is, if $\mathbf{P} = \langle P, \leqslant \rangle$ and $\mathbf{Q} = \langle Q, \preccurlyeq \rangle$ are two partially ordered sets, then a homomorphism $\varphi : \mathbf{P} \to \mathbf{Q}$ is a function satisfying, for all $x, y \in P$, if $x \leqslant y$ then $\varphi(x) \preccurlyeq \varphi(y)$. Consider the two definitions of isomorphism given in the last paragraph on Page 1 above. Using the two posets shown below, explain why the first of these definitions is not appropriate for posets.



Exercises from Judson.

- **9.6** Show that the *n*th roots of unity are isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_n .
- **9.19** Prove that $S_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ is isomorphic to D_6 . Can you make a conjecture about D_{2n} ? Prove your conjecture. [Hint: Draw the picture.]
- **9.22** Let G be a group of order 20. If G has subgroups H and K of orders 4 and 5 respectively such that hk = kh for all $h \in H$ and $k \in K$, prove that G is the internal direct product of H and K.
- **9.27** Let $G \cong H$. Show that if G is cyclic, then so is H.
- **9.31** Let $\phi: G_1 \to G_2$ and $\psi: G_2 \to G_3$ be isomorphisms. Show that ϕ^{-1} and $\psi \circ \phi$ are both isomorphisms. Using these results, show that the isomorphism of groups determines an equivalence relation on the class of all groups.
- **9.37.** An **Automorphism** of a group G is an isomorphism of G with itself. Denote the set of all automorphisms of G by Aut(G) Prove that Aut(G) is a subgroup of S_G , the group of permutations of G.

Solve **ONE** of the following. (Take your pick.)

- **9.40.** Find two nonisomorphic groups G and H such that $\operatorname{Aut}(G) \cong \operatorname{Aut}(H)$.
- **9.41.** Let G be a group and $g \in G$. Define a map $i_g : G \to G$ by $i_g(x) = gxg^{-1}$. Prove that i_g defines an automorphism of G. Such an automorphism is called an *inner automorphism*. The set of all inner automorphisms is denoted by Inn(G).
- **9.42.** Prove that Inn(G) is a subgroup of Aut(G).