Math 3140 Homework 3

Chapter 3: 1bd, 2bd, 3, 5, 7, 12.

Due date: Wednesday, 9/19

1. Find all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  satisfying each of the following equations.

(a)  $3x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$ 

(d)  $9x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$ 

(b)  $5x + 1 \equiv 13 \pmod{23}$ 

(e)  $5x \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ 

(c)  $5x + 1 \equiv 13 \pmod{26}$ 

- (f)  $3x \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$
- **2.** Which of the following multiplication tables defined on the set  $G = \{a, b, c, d\}$  form a group? Support your answer in each case.

- **3.** Write out Cayley tables for groups formed by the symmetries of a rectangle and for  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$ . How many elements are in each group? Are the groups the same? Why or why not?
- 5. Describe the symmetries of a square and prove that the set of symmetries is a group. Give a Cayley table for the symmetries. How many ways can the vertices of a square be permuted? Is each permutation necessarily a symmetry of the square? The symmetry group of the square is denoted by  $D_4$ .
- 7. Let  $S = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1\}$  and define a binary operation on S by a \* b = a + b + ab. Prove that (S, \*) is an abelian group.
- **12.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n = \{(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) : a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_2\}$ . Define a binary operation on  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  by  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) + (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) = (a_1 + b_1, a_2 + b_2, \dots, a_n + b_n).$

Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}_2^n$  is a group under this operation. This group is important in algebraic coding theory.