Homework 7

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Problem (13.2). Not a homomorphism. Consider $1.5, 0.5 \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\phi(1.5 + 0.5) = \phi(2) = 2 \neq 1 = 1 + 0 = \phi(1.5) + \phi(0.5).$$

Problem (13.3). Yes. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^*$,

$$\phi(ab) = |ab| = |a||b| = \phi(a)\phi(b).$$

Problem (13.4). Given $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_6$,

$$\phi(a +_6 b) = (a +_6 b) \mod 2.$$

Note mod 2 is a homomorphism, so we get

$$= (a \mod 2) +_2 (b \mod 2) = \phi(a) +_2 \phi(b).$$

Problem (13.5). No. Notice

$$\phi(2+_97) = \phi(0) = 0 \neq 1 = 0 +_2 1 = \phi(2) +_2 \phi(7).$$

Problem (13.6). Yes. Given $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$,

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

Problem (13.8). No. Consider $\mu_1, \rho_2 \in D_3$,

$$\phi(\mu_1 \rho_2) = (\mu_1 \rho_2)^{-1} = \rho_2^{-1} \mu_1^{-1} = \rho_1 \mu_1 = \mu_3.$$

However,

$$\phi(\mu_1)\phi(\rho_2) = \mu_1^{-1}\rho_2^{-1} = \mu_1\rho_1 = \mu_2$$

and they clearly don't equal to each other.

Problem (13.12). No. Consider $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2$,

$$\phi\left(\begin{pmatrix}1&0\\0&0\end{pmatrix}+\begin{pmatrix}0&0\\0&1\end{pmatrix}\right)=\det\begin{pmatrix}1&0\\0&1\end{pmatrix}=1.$$

However,

$$\phi\left(\begin{pmatrix}1&0\\0&0\end{pmatrix}\right) + \phi\left(\begin{pmatrix}0&0\\0&1\end{pmatrix}\right) = \det\begin{pmatrix}1&0\\0&0\end{pmatrix} + \det\begin{pmatrix}0&0\\0&1\end{pmatrix} = 0 + 0 = 0.$$

And they clearly don't equal.

Problem (13.13). Yes. Given $A, B \in M_n$, consider the diagonal elements A_{ii} and B_{ii} , where i = 1, ..., n. Since matrix addition is elementwise, we have

$$(A+B)_{ii} = A_{ii} + B_{ii}.$$

Recall

$$\operatorname{tr}(A+B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (A+B)_{ii}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (A_{ii} + B_{ii})$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{ii} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} B_{ii}$$
$$= \operatorname{tr} A + \operatorname{tr} B$$

Therefore,

$$\phi(A+B) = \operatorname{tr}(A+B) = \operatorname{tr} A + \operatorname{tr} B = \phi(A) + \phi(B).$$

Problem (13.17). The identity of both groups is 0. The kernel here is

$$\ker \phi = \{ x \in \mathbb{Z} : \phi(x) = 0 \}.$$

Since \mathbb{Z}_7 is a cyclic group, and since $\gcd(4,7)=1$, we expect $\phi(1)=4$ to be a generator of \mathbb{Z}_7 with order 7. Therefore, we expect to arrive at the identity

after adding 7n numbers of $\phi(1)$ where $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since ϕ is a homomorphism, $7n \cdot_7 \phi(1) = \phi(7n) = 0$. Therefore,

$$\ker \phi = \{7n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\} = 7\mathbb{Z}.$$

Again by homomorphism of ϕ and mod 7,

$$\phi(25) = 25 \cdot_7 \phi(1) = 25 \cdot \phi(1) \mod 7 = 25 \cdot 4 \mod 7 = 2.$$

Problem (13.18). By similar argument as above, we have gcd(6, 10) = 2, so we expect $\phi(1) = 6$ to have order $\frac{10}{2} = 5$. Hence $5n \cdot_{10} \phi(1) = \phi(5n) = 0$ by homomorphism. It follows that

$$\ker \phi = 5\mathbb{Z}.$$

By homomorphism of ϕ and mod 10,

$$\phi(18) = 18 \cdot_{10} \phi(1)$$

$$= 18 \cdot 6 \mod 10$$

$$= 8$$

Problem (13.25). There are two: $\phi(x) = x$ and $\phi(x) = -x$. The identity function is clearly a bijective homomorphism. For the latter function, given $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\phi(x+y) = -(x+y) = -x - y = \phi(x) + \phi(y)$ so it is a homomorphism. We can also find $\phi(x)^{-1} = -x$ so it is also bijective.

Problem (13.26). There are infinitely many. By Corollary 13.18, if $\ker \phi = \{e\}$, then the homomorphism ϕ is injective. Let $\phi(1) = n$, where $|n| \geq 1$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then since 1 is a generator of \mathbb{Z} , using homomorphism we can generate a set in \mathbb{Z} using $\phi(1)$. And since $|\phi(1)| \geq 1$, we know that $\phi(1)^k \neq 0 \ \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$. Hence, the only element that maps to 0 is 0, which gives us that ϕ is injective. Since we have infinitely many ways to choose n, we have infinitely many injective homomorphisms.

Problem (13.32).

- a) True. Every subgroup of index 2 is normal.
- b) True. The trivial homomorphism.

- c) False. The trivial homomorphism is clearly not one-to-one.
- d) True. By Corollary 13.18.
- e) False. By exercise 44.
- f) False. This requires at least one element in the first group to map to more than one output, making it not a function.
- g) True. Let $G = \mathbb{Z}_{12}$ and $H = \langle 2 \rangle$. Then $|\langle 2 \rangle| = \frac{12}{\gcd(12,2)} = 6$. Now let $\phi(x) = x$. In general, we can always find a $H \leq G$ where H has order 6 and G has order 12. This is allowed by Lagrange, since 6 is a divisor of 12.
- h) False. No such subgroup described above exist here because this isn't allowed by Lagrange.
- i) False. The identity is always in there, because $\phi(e_G) = \phi(a \cdot a^{-1}) = \phi(a)\phi(a^{-1}) = \phi(a)\phi(a)^{-1} = e_H$.
- j) False. Let $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_n \to \mathbb{C}^*$, $\phi(x) = e^{i2\pi x/n}$.