## Homework #4

Due: Fri., Sept. 27th, 2024

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#1 The Matrix... ... problem

(a) Compute  $A^{-1}B^2$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \in GL_2(\mathbb{Z}_{13})$ 

*Hint:* Not so random fact (-5)13 + (6)11 = 1.

(b) Find the cyclic subgroup generated by  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (in  $GL_2(\mathbb{Z}_{13})$ ). What is the order of B?

#2 Orders of elements and number of such elements.

(a) Make a table which lists the possible orders of elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_{825}$ . List the number such elements in the second row.

Order =	1	???	
Number of such elements =	1	???	

How many generators does  $\mathbb{Z}_{825}$  have?

Suggestion: Type "divisors of 825" into a tool like WolframAlpha.

(b) Repeat part (a) for  $D_{242}$ 

Order =	1	???	
Number of such elements =	1	???	

Does  $D_{242}$  have a generator? What is/are they? or Why not?

- (c) How many elements of order 9 are there in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12345654321}$ ? What is/are they? or Why are there none?
- (d) How many elements of order 6 are there in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12345654321}$ ? What is/are they? or Why are there none?

#3 Let  $g \in G$  (for some group G). Suppose |g| = 132. List the distinct elements of  $\langle g^{110} \rangle$ .

#4 Let  $x, y \in G$  (for some group G). If there exists some  $g \in G$  such  $gxg^{-1} = y$ , we say x and y are conjugates.

(a) Use induction to show  $(gxg^{-1})^k = gx^kg^{-1}$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . Note: Consequently,  $(gxg^{-1})^n = e$  iff  $gx^ng^{-1} = e$  iff  $x^n = g^{-1}eg = e$ , so conjugates have the same order.

- (b) Show xy and yx are conjugate.
- (c) Putting (a) and (b) together, we have |xy| = |yx| and so  $\langle xy \rangle$  and  $\langle yx \rangle$  have the same size.

Prove or give a counterexample:  $\langle xy \rangle = \langle yx \rangle$  (where  $x, y \in G$ ).