

1. (+) Find the order of the following elements in the factor group.
  - (a)  $3 + \langle 4 \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}/\langle 4 \rangle$
  - (b)  $(3, 3) + \langle (1, 2) \rangle$  in  $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_8)/\langle (1, 2) \rangle$
2. Classify the group  $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}_8)/\langle (0, 4, 0) \rangle$  according to the fundamental theorem of finitely generated abelian groups.
3. (+) A student is asked to show that if  $H$  is a normal subgroup of an abelian group  $G$ , then  $G/H$  is abelian. The student's proof starts as follows:  
We must show that  $G/H$  is abelian. Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two elements in  $G/H$ .
  - (a) Why does the instructor reading this proof expect to find nonsense from here on in the student's paper?
  - (b) What should the student have written?
  - (c) Complete the proof.
4. (+) Show that if  $H$  and  $N$  are subgroups of a group  $G$ , and  $N$  is normal in  $G$ , then  $H \cap N$  is normal in  $H$ . Show by an example that  $H \cap N$  need not be normal in  $G$ .
5. Show that the set of all  $g \in G$  such that  $i_g : G \rightarrow G$  is the identity inner automorphism is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .
6. Let  $G = GL(n, \mathbb{R})$  and let  $K$  be a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^*$ . Prove  $H = \{A \in G \mid \det A \in K\}$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .
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8. (+) Find the center and the commutator subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times S_3$
9. To what group mentioned in the text is  $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$  isomorphic?
10. Let  $H, K \trianglelefteq G$ . Give an example showing we may have  $H \simeq K$  while  $G/H$  is not isomorphic to  $G/K$ .
11. (+) Describe the center of every *simple*
  - (a) abelian group
  - (b) nonabelian group
12. (\*) Prove that  $A_n$  is simple for  $n \geq 5$  by following the steps outlined in problem 39 of section 15 in the book.