HW 8

As always, your answer will be graded on the quality of presentation as well as the correct answer. To get a good score: write your answer neatly, use complete sentences, and *justify your work*.

Computations

1. Consider the function

$$\phi: (\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}) \times (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}) \to \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$$
$$(9\mathbb{Z} + m, 3\mathbb{Z} + n) \mapsto 3\mathbb{Z} + n.$$

We know by HW7 that ϕ is a homomorphism. Let's write G for $(\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}) \times (\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z})$ and H for ker (ϕ) .

- (a) Enumerate all elements of H
- (b) Enumerate all elements of G/H.
- 2. Enumerate all elements of $4\mathbb{Z}/8\mathbb{Z}$.

Proofs

(I) Suppose G is a group and H is a normal subgroup of G. Prove: if G is abelian, then G/H is abelian.

(II) Suppose that G is a group and H is a normal subgroup of G. Let K be any subgroup of G, and write

$$HK = \{hk \mid h \in H \text{ and } k \in K\}.$$

- (a) Prove that HK is a subgroup of G.
- (b) Prove that H is a normal subgroup of HK.
- (c) Prove that for all $k \in K$, the coset Hk is an element of HK/H.
- (d) Define

$$\sigma: K \to HK/H$$
$$k \mapsto Hk.$$

Prove that σ is a surjective homomorphism.

- (e) Prove that $\ker(\sigma) = H \cap K$.
- (f) Apply the fundamental homomorphism theorem to conclude that $K/(H \cap K)$ is isomorphic to HK/H.
- (III) Let G be a group with a subgroup H. Prove H is normal if and only if for all $g \in G$, we have gH = Hg.