

MATH 1530 ABSTRACT ALGEBRA
PROBLEM SET 4, DUE TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28 1PM IN CLASS

1. Dummit and Foote Problems 1 and 2 on page 48.
2. How many homomorphisms $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ are there? How many homomorphisms $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ are there? Justify your answers briefly.
3. Consider the additive group \mathbb{Z}^2 , pictured as the lattice points in the Cartesian plane. Draw pictures of the following subgroups of \mathbb{Z}^2 :
 - (a) $\langle (2, 1), (0, 1) \rangle$
 - (b) $\langle (1, 1), (-1, 1) \rangle$
 - (c) $\langle (2, 1), (1, 1) \rangle$
4. Let $(a, b), (c, d) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$. Prove that $\langle (a, b), (c, d) \rangle = \mathbb{Z}^2$ if and only if

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix} = \pm 1.$$

5. Does \mathbb{R} have any subgroups isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}^2 ? Prove your answer.
6. Does \mathbb{Q} have any subgroups isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}^2 ? Prove your answer.
7. Dummit and Foote problems 2 and 11 on page 60.