

TWELFTH GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

The group $\wp_3 = (P_3, \circ)$ contains exactly six elements, namely the functions

$$\begin{array}{lll} e : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} & f : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} & g : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ h : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & j : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & k : \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

Problem 1: Construct an isomorphism from the dihedral group D_6 to the group \wp_3 . You must prove that your function is an isomorphism. (It helps to number the vertices of the triangle.)

Under matrix multiplication, the set below forms a cyclic group:

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(You do not need to prove this.) The matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

serves as a generator for the group $\mathbf{G}=(G,*)$, where $*$ represents matrix multiplication.

Problem 2. Construct an isomorphism from the group \mathbf{G} to the group $\mathbf{Z}_6 = (\mathbb{Z}_6, \boxplus_6)$ under addition modulo 6. You will need to prove that your function is an isomorphism. (In creating the function, it helps to write each member of G as a power of A .)