

Isomorphisms and homomorphisms

1. For each of the following groups, find a familiar group that it is isomorphic to and write down an isomorphism.
 - (a) $D_3/\{I, D, D^2\}$
 - (b) $(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)/\{-1, 1\}$
 - (c) $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})/\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ where $\text{SL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ denotes the subgroup consisting of 2×2 real matrices of determinant 1.
 - (d) $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ under multiplication (First check that this is in fact a group.)
2. Find a non-trivial homomorphism from $(\mathbb{R}, +)/\mathbb{Z}$ to $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$. Describe the image and the kernel. (Being non-trivial means that not everything is sent to the neutral element.)
3. Let n be an integer ≥ 2 . Find all homomorphisms from $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, +)$ to $(\mathbb{R}, +)/\mathbb{Z}$.
4. Find all homomorphisms from $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ to $(\mathbb{R}, +)/\mathbb{Z}$.
5. Find a subgroup of $(\mathbb{R}, +)/\mathbb{Z}$ that is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$?
6. Check that $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ is a group under addition defined by $(a, b) + (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$. Find a subgroup of $(\mathbb{R}, +)/\mathbb{Z}$ that is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}, +)$.
7. Find all homomorphisms from $(\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}, +)$ to $(\mathbb{Z}/9\mathbb{Z}, +)$.
Generalize this: describe all homomorphisms from $(\mathbb{Z}/m\mathbb{Z}, +)$ to $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}, +)$.
8. Let G and K be groups with more than one element each.
Prove or disprove: If there is a non-trivial homomorphism from G to K , then there is a non-trivial homomorphism from K to G .