## Math 493 Fall 2023 HW2

- 1. Classify all groups of order six up to isomorphism.
- 2. Let G be a group. Denote by Aut(G) the set of automorphisms of G. (An automorphism is an isomorphism from G to itself.) Show that Aut(G) has the structure of a group (in a natural way). Identify the group Aut(G) for G in the following list:
  - (a) *C*<sub>5</sub>
  - (b) *C*<sub>8</sub>
  - (c)  $C_{11}$
  - (d)  $S_3$
  - (e)  $C_2 \times C_2$
  - (f) **Z**
- 3. Let p be a prime. Show that up to isomorphism there are exactly two groups of order 2p, namely the cyclic group  $C_{2p}$  and the dihedral group  $D_p$ .
- 4. Let H and K be subgroups of G. Define

$$HK = \{hk : h \in H, k \in K\}.$$

Show that HK is a subgroup of G if and only if HK = KH.

5. Let H and K be finite subgroups of a group G. Show that

$$|HK| = \frac{|H| \cdot |K|}{|H \cap K|}$$

Here we are not assuming that HK is a subgroup of G, it may just be a subset; the notation |HK| is still used to denote its cardinality.

6. Let H be a subgroup of G. Define

$$N_G(H) = \{g \in G : gHg^{-1} = H\}.$$
 (equivalently:  $gH = Hg$ )

Show that  $N_G(H)$  is a subgroup of G containing H, that H is normal in  $N_G(H)$ , and that  $N_G(H)$  is the *largest* subgroup of G containing H in which H is normal. (Here *largest* means that it contains any other subgroup with this property.) In particular, H is normal in G if and only if  $N_G(H) = G$ . **Remark:**  $N_G(H)$  is called the normalizer of H in G.

- 7. The second isomorphism theorem: Suppose that H and K are subgroups of G with  $H \subseteq N_G(K)$ . Show that
  - (i) HK is a subgroup of G and K is normal in HK.
  - (ii)  $H \cap K$  is normal in H.
  - (iii) There is a canonical (i.e. natural) isomorphism

$$H/H \cap K \simeq HK/K$$

- 8. Let  $H \leq G$  and  $K \leq G$  be normal subgroups of G with  $H \cap K = (e)$ .
  - (a) Show that any two elements of H and K commute with each other. Namely, hk = kh for any  $h \in H$  and  $k \in K$ .
  - (b) Suppose further that HK = G. Show that G must be isomorphic to the direct product  $H \times K$ .