

# 1 Additional Exercises: Cosets

- Determine the index  $[Z : nZ]$ .
- Prove directly that distinct cosets do not overlap.
- Prove every group whose order is a power of a prime  $p$  contains an element of order  $p$ .
- Give an example showing that left cosets and right cosets of  $GL(2, R)$  in  $GL(2, C)$  are not always equal.
- Let  $H, K$  be subgroups of a group  $G$  of orders 3, 5 respectively. Prove  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ .
- Do
  1. Let  $G$  be an abelian group of odd order. Prove the map  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $\phi(x) = x^2$  is an automorphism.
  2. Generalize the above result.
- Let  $W$  be additive subgroup of  $R^m$  of solutions of a system of homogeneous linear equations  $AX = \vec{0}$ . Show the solutions of a non-homogeneous system  $AX = B$  form a coset of  $W$ .
- Do:
  1. Prove that every subgroup of index 2 is normal.
  2. Give an example of a subgroup of index 3 that is not normal.
- Let  $G, H$  be the following subgroups of  $GL(2, R)$  :

$$G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad x > 0.$$

An element of  $G$  can be represented by a point in the  $(x, y)$  plane. Draw the partitions of the plane into left and into right cosets of  $H$ .