Subgroups- HW Problems

In problems 1-3 determine if the following sets of invertible $n \times n$ matrices with real entries are subgroups of $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$.

1. $n \times n$ matrices with determinant equal to 5.

- 2. Diagonal $n \times n$ matrices without zeros on the diagonal.
- 3. Diagonal matrices with positive numbers on the diagonal.

4. Determine if the set of real-valued, non-zero functions at every point of \mathbb{R} such that f(0) = 2 is

a. a subgroup of all real-valued functions on \mathbb{R} under addition.

b. a subgroup of all real-valued non-zero functions at every point on $\mathbb R$ under multiplication of functions.

5. describe all elements of the cyclic subgroup of $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ generated by $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

6. Which of the following groups is cyclic?

- a. $G_1 = (\mathbb{Q}, +)$
- b. $G_2 = (5\mathbb{Z}, +)$
- c. $G_3 = \{5^n, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ under usual multiplication
- d. $G_4 = (\mathbb{Z}, +)$

7. Find the order of the subgroup of \mathbb{Z}_6 generated by 2. What about the subgroup generated by 5?

- 8. Find the elements of the subgroup of \mathbb{Z}_8 generated by
- a. 2
- b. 3
- c. 6

9. Suppose *G* is an abelian (ie commutative) group. Let *A* and *B* be subgroups of *G*. Prove that $AB = \{ab \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ is a subgroup of *G*.

10. Prove that if A and B are subgroups of a group G then

 $A \cap B = \{g \in G \mid g \in A \text{ and } g \in B\}$

is a subgroup of G.

11. Suppose *G* is an abelian group written multiplicatively with identity element *e*. Prove that $H = \{g \in G | g^3 = e\}$ is a subgroup of *G*.