

§6

6.1 (i) is true (by Lemma 6.1)

(ii) is false (by Lemma 6.1)

(iii) is true (in general $A \times B \cong B \times A$)

(iv) is false as the elements of $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$

either have order 1 or 2, whereas $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ has elements of order 4.

$$6.2 (i) \mathbb{Z}_{10} \times \mathbb{Z}_{15} \times \mathbb{Z}_{20} \cong$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_5 \quad (\text{using Lemma 6.1})$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}_5 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_5) \times (\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_{10} \times \mathbb{Z}_{60} \quad (\text{using Lemma 6.1})$$

\therefore torsion coefficients are 5, 10, 60.

$$(ii) \mathbb{Z}_{28} \times \mathbb{Z}_{42} \cong \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_7 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_7$$

$$\cong (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_7) \times (\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_7) \cong \mathbb{Z}_{14} \times \mathbb{Z}_{84}$$

(using Lemma 6.1)

\therefore torsion coefficients are 14, 84.

$$(iii) \mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{14} \times \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{16} \cong$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_7 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{16}$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times (\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \times (\mathbb{Z}_7 \times \mathbb{Z}_9 \times \mathbb{Z}_{16})$$

$$\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{1008} \quad (\text{using Lemma 6.1})$$

\therefore torsion coefficients are 2, 6, 1008.

6.3 (i) Since $|G| = 9$, by Theorem 6.2 either $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ or $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_9$. Calculating

we see that the orders of the elements of G are either 1 or 3. $\therefore G \not\cong \mathbb{Z}_9$, and so

$G \cong \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$. (Note \mathbb{Z}_9 only has two elements

of order 3, so we only really need check the orders of three non-identity elements of G .)

(ii) Since $|G| = 24$, by Theorem 6.2 either

$$G \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6, \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12} \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}_{24}.$$

Calculating shows that 8 (an element of G)

has order 12. $\therefore G \not\cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$ ($\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$)

has no elements of order 12). Also 109 and 134 both have order 2. Since \mathbb{Z}_{24} has only one element of order 2, $G \neq \mathbb{Z}_{24} \therefore G \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}$.

6.4 $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{18}$; $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$;

$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{36}$; $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{24}$; $\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}$; \mathbb{Z}_{72} .

6.5 (i) Since 1 has order 1, $1 \in T$ and so $\emptyset \neq T \subseteq G$.

Let $x, y \in T$. Then $x^n = 1$ and $y^m = 1$ for some $n, m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. Hence $(y^{-1})^m = 1$.

Now $(xy^{-1})^{mn} \stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{BECAUSE } G \\ \text{IS ABELIAN}}}{=} x^{mn} (y^{-1})^{mn} = (x^n)^m ((y^{-1})^m)^n = 1^m 1^n = 1$.

$\therefore xy^{-1}$ has finite order and so $xy^{-1} \in T$.

Hence T is a subgroup of G by the subgroup criterion.

(ii) NOT ALWAYS. COUNTEREXAMPLE: -

Take $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}$ ($\mathbb{Z}_2 = \{0, 1\}$)

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $n \neq 0$. Then $(1, n)$ and $(0, -n)$ are elements of G , both of infinite order. So $(1, n), (0, -n) \in B = \{x \in G \mid x \text{ has infinite order or } x = 1\}$.

But $(1, n)(0, -n) = (1, 0)$ which has order 2 and so $(1, n)(0, -n) \notin B$. $\therefore B \neq G$.

6.6 Massey Theorem 6.2

$$k=1 \quad \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$$k=2 \quad \mathbb{Z}_{p^2}, \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$$k=3 \quad \mathbb{Z}_{p^3}, \mathbb{Z}_{p^2} \times \mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$$k=4 \quad \mathbb{Z}_{p^4}, \mathbb{Z}_{p^3} \times \mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Z}_{p^2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^2},$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_{p^2} \times \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p, \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$$

So there are 5 pairwise non-isomorphic abelian groups of order p^4 .