MATHS 255Regular Tutorial 5May 18, 2
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- **1.** (Finite subgroup test) Let (G, \*) be a group and H a non-empty finite subset of G. Suppose  $x * y \in H$  for any  $x, y \in H$ .
  - (a) For any  $x \in H$ , there are positive integers m, n such that  $n \neq m$  and  $x^n = x^m$ .
  - (b) Show that  $H \leq G$ .
- **2.** Let G be a group.
  - (a) Suppose L and K are subgroup of G. Show that  $L \cap K$  is a subgroup of G.
  - (b) Let  $L \leq G$  and  $K \leq L$ . Show that  $K \leq G$ .
  - (c) Let H be a subgroup of G and  $x \in G$ . Show that the left coset x \* H is a subgroup of G if and only if x \* H = H.
- **3.** Let  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  be all invertible  $2 \times 2$  real matrices and det the determinant of matrix.
  - (a) Show that  $\operatorname{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  is a group under matrix multiplication.
  - (b) Show det is a group homomorphism from  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  to  $R^*$ , where  $R^* = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  is the group under multiplication.
  - (c) Show det is not a group isomorphism.
  - (d) Let  $SL_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{X \in GL_2(\mathbb{R}) : det(X) = 1\}$ . Show that  $SL_2(\mathbb{R}) \le GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ .