

Day 21 homework - Assigned 3/4 and due 3/27

Starred problems below are extra-credit for undergraduates and required for graduate students.

4. Let  $G = Z_{12}$  be the additive group mod 12. How many automorphisms  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  have the property that  $\phi(2) = 10$ ? Justify your answer.
5. Let  $G$  be a group. Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G$  be the function given by  $\phi(x) = x^{-1}$ . Show that  $\phi$  is an automorphism of  $G$  if and only if  $G$  is abelian.
6. Let  $G$  and  $\bar{G}$  be groups and suppose that  $\phi : G \rightarrow \bar{G}$  is an isomorphism.
  - (a) Show that if  $\psi$  is an automorphism of  $G$ , then  $\phi \circ \psi \circ \phi^{-1}$  is an automorphism of  $\bar{G}$ .
  - (b) Define  $\rho : \text{Aut}(G) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\bar{G})$  by  $\rho(\psi) = \phi \circ \psi \circ \phi^{-1}$ . Prove that  $\rho$  is an isomorphism. (This proves that if  $G \approx \bar{G}$ , then  $\text{Aut}(G) \approx \text{Aut}(\bar{G})$ .)