

4. (5 points) Is  $(\mathbb{Z}_{14}^{\times}, \times)$  a cyclic group? If so, exhibit a generator. If not, explain why not.

$\mathbb{Z}_{14}^{\times}$  consists of  $[1]_{14}, [3]_{14}, [5]_{14}, [9]_{14}, [11]_{14}, [13]_{14}$ .

Observe that  $[3]_{14}^2 = [9]_{14}$ ,  $[3]_{14}^3 = [13]_{14}$ ,  $[3]_{14}^4 = [11]_{14}$ ,  $[3]_{14}^5 = [5]_{14}$ ,  $[3]_{14}^6 = [1]_{14}$ .

So  $\mathbb{Z}_{14}^{\times}$  is cyclic with generator  $[3]_{14}$ .

5. (6 points) This problem has TWO parts. Let  $(G, +)$  be an abelian group. Let  $T_3(G) = \{g \in G \mid g + g + g = 0\}$ .

(a) Prove  $T_3(G)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

$G$  is a solution

0  $\in T_3(G)$  because  $0 + 0 + 0 = 0$

closure If  $g \in T_3(G)$  and  $h \in T_3(G)$  then  $(g+h) + (g+h) + (g+h) = g+g+g + h+h+h = 0 + 0 = 0$

$g, h \in T_3(G) \rightarrow 0 + 0 = 0$

inverse If  $g \in T_3(G)$ , then  $g + g + g = 0$

so  $g+g$  is the inverse of  $g$ . We have already seen

$T_3 + T_3$  is closed so  $g+g \in T_3(G)$

- (b) Compute  $T_3(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$ .

$T_3(\mathbb{Z}_6) = \{ [0]_6, [2]_6, [4]_6 \}$  because

$$[1]_6 + [1]_6 + [1]_6 = [3]_6 \neq [0]_6$$

$$[3]_6 + [3]_6 + [3]_6 = [3]_6 \neq [0]_6$$

$$[5]_6 + [5]_6 + [5]_6 = [3]_6 \neq [0]_6$$