

7. Let  $G$  be the group  $U_9$ . (a) LIST the elements of the set

$$S = \{g^3 \mid g \in G\}.$$

(b) Is  $S$  a subgroup of  $G$ ? Justify your answer to (b).

$$\text{Let } u = \cos \frac{2\pi}{9} + i \sin \frac{2\pi}{9}.$$

The elements of  $U_9$  are  $\{1, u, \dots, u^8\}$

$$(1)^3 = 1$$

$$(u)^3 = u^3$$

$$(u^2)^3 = u^6$$

$$(u^4)^3 = u^3$$

$$(u^5)^3 = u^6$$

$$(u^7)^3 = u^3$$

$$(u^8)^3 = u^6$$

$$(u^3)^3 = 1$$

$$(u^6)^3 = 1$$

$$\text{So } S = \{1, u^3, u^6\}$$

$S$  is a subgroup of  $G$

because  $S$  is closed

$$u^3 \cdot u^6 = 1$$

and the inverse of every element of  $S$  is in  $S$

or because of Problem 5

8. Give an example of a group  $G$  and subgroups  $H$  and  $K$  of  $G$  with  $H \cup K$  not equal to a subgroup of  $G$ . Explain.

Let  $G$  be the subgroup  $\{id, \rho^2, \sigma\rho^2, \sigma\}$  of  $D_4$

Let  $H = \{id, \rho^2\}$  ← we are groups

$K = \{id, \sigma\rho^2\}$

$H \cup K = \{id, \rho^2, \sigma\rho^2\}$  is not a group because

this set is not closed  $\rho^2 \in H \cup K$   $\sigma\rho^2 \in H \cup K$

but  $\rho^2 \cdot \sigma\rho^2 = \sigma \notin H \cup K$ .