HW 3, due Tuesday, February 17

Problems from our text:

- 12.14
- 12.23
- 13.5
- 13.7

More problems:

- 1. Let H be a subgroup of a group G, and suppose $g \in G$ has order n. If $g^m \in H$ and gcd(m, n) = 1, show that $g \in H$.
- 2. Draw the subgroup lattice for \mathbb{Z}_{100} .
- 3. What is the order of 35 in \mathbb{Z}_{100} ?
- 4. Show that A_8 , the alternating group of even permutations in S_8 has an element of order 15.
- 5. What is the maximum order of any element in A_{10} ?
- 6. Use Sage to find the order of the permutation group generated by (1, k) and (1, 2, ..., n) for various n and $1 \le k \le n$. Conjecture a necessary and sufficient condition on k and n so that they generate S_n . Sample code:

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sage: PermutationGroup([[(1,3)], [(1,2,3,4)]]).order()
8
sage: factorial(4)
24
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(I find the huge number of brackets involved here to be an easy source of syntax errors.)

7. Challenge problem: Suppose G is a group with exactly one nontrivial proper subgroup. Prove that G is cyclic of order p^2 for some prime p. (Nontrivial means not the identity subgroup, and proper means not the whole group.)