

# MTH 203: Groups and Symmetry

## Homework II

(Due 16/08)

1. Establish the assertions in 1.1 (v) of the Lesson Plan.
2. Establish the assertions in 1.3 (ii) (c) & (d) of the Lesson Plan.
3. Let  $G$  be a group.
  - (a) For  $g \in G$ , if  $g^m = g^n = 1$ , for  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then show that  $(g)^{\gcd(m,n)} = 1$ .  
[Hint: Use the Euclid's algorithm.]
  - (b) Use (a) to establish assertion 1.2 (vi) of the Lesson Plan.
4. Show that every nontrivial group  $G$  has a cyclic subgroup.
5. Is  $D_{2m} < D_{2n}$ , for every  $m < n$  ? Explain why, or why not.