



MODERN ALGEBRA 1
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HOMEWORK 8.3
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Exercise 10. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x, y) = 2x - 3y$.

- a. Prove that f is a surjective homomorphism.
- b. Find $\ker f$ and describe it and its cosets geometrically.
- c. The First Isomorphism Theorem implies that f induces an isomorphism $\bar{f} : (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}) / \ker f \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Describe this isomorphism geometrically.

Exercise 11. Let G be a finite group, let $H \leq G$ and let $K \triangleleft G$. Prove that if $|H|$ is relatively prime to $[G : K]$ then $H \leq K$. [*Hint:* Given $a \in H$, by considering the orders of a in H and aK in G/K , show that $\langle a \rangle \leq K$.]

Exercise 12. Lang, II.4.30.