



MODERN ALGEBRA  
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ASSIGNMENT 5.2  
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**Exercise 1.** Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Prove that  $n\mathbb{Z} \subseteq m\mathbb{Z}$  if and only if  $m|n$ . So containment between subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}$  corresponds to divisibility in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let  $S$  and  $T$  be sets with  $|S| = |T|$ .

- a. Prove that  $\text{Perm}(S) \cong \text{Perm}(T)$ . So, up to isomorphism,  $\text{Perm}(S)$  only depends on  $|S|$ . [*Suggestion.* Let  $f : S \rightarrow T$  be any bijection, and show that the map  $\text{Perm}(S) \rightarrow \text{Perm}(T)$  by  $\sigma \mapsto f \circ \sigma \circ f^{-1}$  is an isomorphism. ]
- b. Conclude that if  $|S| = n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\text{Perm}(S) \cong S_n$ .