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## HOMEWORK # 9

1. Let  $G$  be a finitely generated abelian group in which no element except 0 has finite order. Prove that  $G$  is a free abelian group.
2. Let  $F$  be a finitely generated free abelian group of rank  $n$ . Prove that for any positive integer  $m$  that  $F/mF \cong (\mathbb{Z}_m)^n$ .
3. Consider the abelian group of rational numbers  $\mathbb{Q}$  under addition.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathbb{Q}$  is NOT a free abelian group. (HINT: Show that any subset of two or more elements cannot be linearly independent.)
  - (b) Find a free abelian group  $F$  and a surjective homomorphism  $\phi : F \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ .
4. Let  $\mathbb{Q}^+$  be the group of positive rational numbers with multiplication as the binary operation.
  - (a) Prove that  $\mathbb{Q}^+$  is a free abelian group. (HINT: Use the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic.)
  - (b) Find a set  $X$  and an isomorphism  $\phi : \bigoplus_{x \in X} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}^+$ .
5. Use the Fundamental Theorem of Finitely Generated Abelian Groups to list (up to isomorphism) all abelian groups of order 32 and all abelian groups of order 540.