# The Hamiltonicity of Subgroup Graphs

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 A subgroup graph of a group G is a graph where the set of vertices is all subgroups of G and the set of edges connects a subgroup to a supergroup if and only if there are no intermediary subgroups.

#### **Examples of Subgroup Graphs**



## Definitions

 A graph is bipartite if the set of vertices V can be broken into two subset V<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>2</sub> where there are no edges connecting any two vertices of the same subset.

#### **Examples of Bipartite Graphs**



# **Graph Cartesian Products**

 Let G and H be graphs, then the vertex set of G x H is V(G) x V(H).

 An edge, {(g,h),(g`,h`)}, is in the edge set of G x H if g = g` and h is adjacent to h` or h = h` and g is adjacent to g`.

# Examples of Graph Product $^{\Lambda^{(2,2)}}$







## **Results on Graph Products**

• The graph product of two bipartite graphs is bipartite.

• The difference in the size of the partitions of a graph product is the product of the difference in the size of the partitions of each graph in the product.  Unbalanced bipartite graphs are never Hamiltonian. The reverse is not true in general.



 For two relatively prime groups, G<sub>1</sub> and G<sub>2</sub>, the subgroup graph of G<sub>1</sub> X G<sub>2</sub> is isomorphic to the graph cartesian product of the subgroup graphs of G<sub>1</sub> and G<sub>2</sub>.

 The fundamental theorem of finite abelian groups says that every group can be represented as the cross product of cyclic p-groups.

## Finite Abelian Groups

 Finite abelian p-groups are balanced if and only if |G| = p<sup>n</sup> where n is odd.



## Finite Abelian Groups

• A finite abelian group is balanced if and only if when decomposed into p-groups  $G_{p_1^{\alpha_1}} \ge \ldots \ge G_{p_n^{\alpha_n}}$ ,  $\alpha_i$  is odd for some i.

• Cyclic p-groups are nonhamiltonian.

• Cyclic groups,  $\mathbf{Z}_{p_1^{\alpha_1}\dots p_n^{\alpha_n}}$ , with more than one prime factor are hamiltonian if and only if there is at least one  $\alpha_i$  that is odd.







 $\mathbb{Z}_{p^{\alpha}} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p^{\beta}}$  is nonhamiltonian.





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# **Dihedral Groups**

- Dihedral groups are bipartite and the difference in the size of the partitions of  $D_{2p_1^{\alpha_1}p_2^{\alpha_2}L p_n^{\alpha_n}}$  is  $\prod_{i=1}^k \frac{p_i^{\alpha_i+1} - (-1)^{\alpha_i+1}}{p_i + 1} + \theta(p_1^{\alpha_1}p_2^{\alpha_2}L p_n^{\alpha_n}),$ where  $\theta(x) = \begin{cases} -1 \text{ if } x \text{ is square} \\ 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$





