

Claim: $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2^m & 2^n l \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : m, n, l \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$.

proof) Any element of G is a form of $x_1 \cdots x_i$

where $i \geq 0$, $x_1, \dots, x_i \in \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
 let u u^{-1} v v^{-1}

Since for $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$,

$$uA = \begin{bmatrix} 2a & 2b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad u^{-1}A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2}a & \frac{1}{2}b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \quad vA = \begin{bmatrix} a+c & b+d \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$v^{-1}A = \begin{bmatrix} a-c & b-d \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \text{ one can inductively show that}$$

$$G \subseteq \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2^m & 2^n l \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : m, n, l \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}. \text{ Conversely,}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2^m & 2^n l \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = u^n v^l u^{m-n} \in G.$$

By claim, $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2^n l \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : n, l \in \mathbb{Z} \right\} \leq G$.

For $A \in H$, let $|A| = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } A = I \\ 2^n & \text{if } A \neq I \text{ \& } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2^n l \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, 2 \nmid l \end{cases}$

Then $|AB| \geq \min\{|A|, |B|\}$, $|A^{-1}| = |A|$ for $A, B \in H$

But then for any choice $A_1, \dots, A_k \in H$,

$$\inf\{|A| : A \in H\} = 0 < \inf_{\forall i} \{|A| : A \in \langle A_1, \dots, A_k \rangle\}$$

$\therefore H$ is not f.g. $\min\{|A_1|, \dots, |A_k|\}$.