

(b) Determine all group homomorphisms from $\mathbb{Z}_n$ to $\mathbb{Z}_n$.

(c) Let H be a subgroup of G and $a, b \in G$. Prove that

(i) $aH = bH \Leftrightarrow a \in bH$.

(ii) $aH = H \Leftrightarrow a \in H$. (2x6=12)

6 (a) State and prove the First Fundamental Theorem of Group Homomorphisms.

(b) Let G be the symmetric group of permutations on the set $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$. For each σ in G , define

$$\text{Sgn}(\sigma) = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an odd permutation} \\ 1, & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an even permutation.} \end{cases}$$

Prove that Sgn is a group homomorphism. Find the kernel of Sgn .

(c) (i) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G^*$ be a group homomorphism. Prove that the $\text{Ker } \phi$ is a normal subgroup of the group G .

(ii) Show that $\phi: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$ defined as $\phi(x) = x^2$ is not a group homomorphism. (2x6½=13)

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1. (a) Let $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R} \sim \{0\} \right\}$. Show that G is an Abelian group.

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- (b) Let G be group and H be a non-empty subset of G . Prove that H is a subgroup of G if $ab^{-1} \in H, \forall a, b \in H$.

Hence prove that $H = \{A \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) : \det A \text{ is a power of } 2\}$ is a subgroup of $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$.

- (c) Define a cyclic group. Show that every cyclic group is Abelian. Is the converse true? Justify.
(2×6=12)

2. (a) Prove that an Abelian group with two elements of order two must have a subgroup of order 4.

- (b) Describe the group of symmetries of an equilateral triangle.

- (c) Let G be a group and $a \in G$. If $|a| = n$, show that

$$\langle a \rangle = \{e, a, a^2, \dots, a^{n-1}\} \text{ \& } a^i = a^j \Leftrightarrow n \text{ divides } (i - j).$$

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3. (a) Let $G = \langle a \rangle$ be a cyclic group of order n . Then show that $G = \langle a^k \rangle \Leftrightarrow \gcd(k, n) = 1$.

- (b) Let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 7 & 6 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$ and

$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 & 7 & 6 & 5 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) Write α and β as product of disjoint cycles.

- (ii) Compute $\alpha\beta$ and α^{-1} .

- (c) Suppose that a has order 15. Compute all the left cosets of $\langle a^5 \rangle$ in $\langle a \rangle$.
(2×6=12)

4. (a) Define left coset of a subgroup H of a group G . Find all the left cosets of $H = \{1, 11\}$ in $U(30)$.

- (b) (i) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal in $G \Leftrightarrow xHx^{-1} \subseteq H, \forall x \in G$.

- (ii) Let H be a subgroup of a group G such that $x^2 \in H, \forall x \in G$. Show that H is a normal subgroup of G .

- (c) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism and let H be a subgroup of G . Prove that

- (i) if H is cyclic, then $\phi(H)$ is cyclic.

- (ii) if H is normal, then $\phi(H)$ is normal in $\phi(G)$.
(2×6½=13)

5. (a) Let G be a finite group and H be a subgroup of G . Show that $|H|$ divides $|G|$.