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## Attempt any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Show that the set S of all ordered pairs (a,b) of non-zero real numbers is an abelian group under the multiplication defined by

$$(a,b)(c,d) = (ac,bd) \ \forall \ a,b,c,d \in S$$

Consider the group  $G = GL(2, \mathbf{R})$  under multiplication. Then find the centralizer of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Also, find the center of G.

Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find  $A^{-1}$  in  $SL(2, Z_5)$ . Verify the answer by direct calculation.

- 2. Find all the subgroups of **Z**:
  - a) containing  $20\boldsymbol{Z}$ .
  - b) contained in 20Z.

Prove that an abelian group which contains two distinct elements which are their own inverses must have a subgroup of order 4.

Suppose a group contains elements a and b such that |a| = 4 and |b| = 5 and that  $a^3b = ba$ . Find |ab|.

3. State Cayley's theorem and verify theorem for  $\mathit{U}(10)$ .

Let a and b be elements of a group G. If O(a) = 12, O(b) = 22 and  $\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle \neq \{e\}$ . Prove that  $a^6 = b^{11}$ .

Find a non-cyclic group of order 4 in U(40).

4. Let p be a prime. If a group has more than (p-1) elements of order p. Then prove that the group cannot be cyclic.

Let 
$$\beta = (1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 4\ 5)$$
. Write  $\beta^{99}$  as a cycle.

Given a permutation  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & 8 & 7 & 6 & 5 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ 

- a) Write  $\alpha$  as product of disjoint cycle.
- b) Find  $|\alpha|$ .
- c) Find  $\alpha^{-1}$  and verify by calculation.
- 5. Let *G* be the additive group  $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}$  and  $H = \{(x, x) : x \in \mathbf{R}\}$  be a subgroup of *G*. Give a geometric description of cosets of *H*.

If N is a normal subgroup of order 2 of a group G then show that  $N \subseteq Z(G)$ .

If H is a subgroup of a group G such that (aH)(Hb) for any  $a, b \in G$  is either a left or a right coset of H in G, prove that H is normal.

6. If  $\emptyset$  be a homomorphism from  $Z_{30}$  onto a group of order 5, determine  $Ker \emptyset$ .

Let N be a normal subgroup of a group G. If N is cyclic subgroup of G then prove that every subgroup of N is normal in G.

Prove that the mapping from  $x \to x^6$  from  $C^*$  to  $C^*$  where  $C^*$  denotes the set of non-zero complex numbers is a homomorphism. What is the kernel?