

MA-403 (2021-22), Autumn term)  
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Assignment-3

Due on Oct 21, 2022

Note: 1) Write your name and the registration number CLEARLY

2) Submit hard copy only to Dr. Amlan Barua by Oct 21, 2022

1a) Define the order of an element of  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  and primitive  $n^{\text{th}}$ -root of unity precisely. (2+2)

b) Determine all the  $n^{\text{th}}$ -roots of unity in  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  for  $n=18$ ,  $n=23$ ,  $n=16$ . (6+6+4)

2) Find all cyclic subgroups of  
a)  $\mathbb{Z}_{17}$  b)  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  (3+7)

3) ~~Write~~ Define the index  $\text{ind}_r^a$  relative to a primitive root  $r$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$ .

Find  $\text{ind}_3^a$  for all elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_{17}^*$ .  
(This requires also verifying that 3 is a  $17^{\text{th}}$ -root of unity.) (2+6+2)

4) Using the concept of  $\text{ind}_r^a$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$ , solve the following congruences:

(a)  $2^8 \equiv 2 \pmod{17}$

(b)  $4^2 \equiv 3 \pmod{17}$  (5+5)

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