

Concept Checking Paper 05

1. What is “math” based on all the math you have learned in your life?
2. List the four properties of the generalized product in a **group**: _____, _____, _____, _____. To become an **abelian group**, we need another property: _____.
3. Given a group G and its two distinct subgroups H_1 and H_2 . Check whether the following sentences are true or false:
 - i) The identity element in G and H must be the same.
 - ii) $H_1 \cup H_2$ is a group.
 - iii) $H_1 \cap H_2$ cannot be empty and it is a group.
 - iv) A subset in G that is not a subgroup may be a group.

*Comment. Compare to the concept of **vector space**. If necessary, take vv186.*

4. State the Bézout Identity.
5. Give two additive group $S_1 = a\mathbb{Z}, S_2 = b\mathbb{Z}, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.
 - i) Find $S_1 \cap S_2$ and $S_1 + S_2$.
 - ii) Are they $(S_1, S_2, S_1 + S_2, S_1 \cap S_2)$ cyclic?
 - iii) Find the identity element, order and generator of S_1 .
6. Let $\langle x \rangle$ be a cyclic of order $p \in P$. Find all of its subgroups.
7. Calculate $\varphi(p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2})$, where $p_1, p_2 \in \mathbb{P}, k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.



8. For a symmetric group $S_3 = \{e, \tau, \tau', \tau'', \sigma, \sigma'\}$. Explain what does the following means:

- i) $e = ()$
- ii) $\tau = (12)$
- iii) $\sigma = (123)$
- iv) $\tau\sigma(1)=1$

9. Calculate $(1423)(134)$. Is it an even permutation or odd permutation?

