

1. GROUP ACTION AND SYLOW'S THEOREM

- (1) Prove or disprove: An abelian group is simple if it has prime order.
- (2) Prove that a group of prime power order is not simple.
- (3) Determine the class equation for each of the following groups: (a) Quaternion group Q_8 , (b) the Klein 4-group, (c) the dihedral group D_4 , (d) the group of upper triangular matrices in $GL_2(\mathbb{F}_3)$, (e) S_5 .
- (4) Determine all groups having at most three conjugacy classes.
- (5) Let N be a normal subgroup of a group G . Suppose $|N| = 5$ and $|G|$ is odd. Prove that $N \subseteq Z(G)$.
- (6) Let G be a finite group with a proper subgroup H whose index is the smallest prime number p dividing $|G|$. Show that H is a normal subgroup of G .
- (7) Let G be a group of order $2m$ where m is odd. Show that G has a normal subgroup of index 2.
- (8) Find the number of Sylow p -subgroups of S_p where p is a prime number. Hence deduce Wilson's Theorem in number theory: p divides $(p-1)! + 1$.
- (9) Let G be a group of order $p^\alpha m$ such that $p \nmid m$. Then G has a unique Sylow p -subgroup P if and only if P is normal in G .
- (10) How many elements of order 5 are there in a group of order 20?
- (11) Show that a group of order 30 is not simple.
- (12) Classify group of order 8.
- (13) Show that the subgroup of strictly upper triangular matrices in $GL_n(\mathbb{F}_p)$ is a Sylow p -subgroup.
- (14) Show that the number of Sylow p -subgroups of $GL_2(\mathbb{F}_p)$ is $p+1$.
- (15) Prove that group of order pq are not simple where p, q are prime numbers.
- (16) Classify group of order 55.