

**Assignment - 4** (submission deadline: 2 April, 2021 )

*Note: Unless otherwise stated, notation used is as defined in the class.*

1. Which of the following groupoids are semigroups? Which are groups?
  - (a)  $(\mathbb{N}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = ab$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ .
  - (b)  $(\mathbb{N}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = b$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ .
  - (c)  $(\mathbb{Z}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = a - b$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
  - (d)  $(\mathbb{Z}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = a + b + ab$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
  - (e)  $(\mathbb{R}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = a|b|$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
  - (f)  $(\mathbb{R}, \star)$  where  $a \star b = 2^a b$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .
2. Let  $(G, \star)$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$ . Suppose that  $a^2 = e$  and  $a \star b \star a = b^7$ . Show that  $b^{48} = e$ .
3. Let  $G$  be a group generated by the elements  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $o(a) = 4$ ,  $a^2 = b^2$ , and  $ba = a^3b$ . Find  $o(b)$  and  $|G|$ .
4. If  $G = \langle g \rangle$  is a cyclic group of order 30, then find all distinct elements of (a) order 5 (b) order 6.
5. Let  $(G, *)$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$  where  $b \neq e$ . If  $o(a) = 3$  and  $a * b * a^{-1} = b^2$  find  $o(b)$ .
6. Justify your answer:  $(Q^+, \star)$  is not an abelian group where  $a \star b = \frac{ab}{2} \quad \forall a, b \in Q$
7. Let  $S$  be the set of all roots of the equation  $x^5 = 1$ . Does  $S$  form a commutative group w.r.t multiplication?
8. Let  $G = (\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $H = (3\mathbb{Z}, +)$ . Find all the distinct right cosets of  $H$ .
9. Find the order of the permutation given below and check if it is even or odd permutation.
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 6 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
10. Find  $fg, gf, f^{-1}, g^{-1}$  where  $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 6 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 6 & 4 & 5 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

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