

Due Tuesday, September 25, 2019. Write *neatly* on separate white  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  blank printer paper. Write with words, in complete sentences and paragraphs.

Read Chapters 2, 3, and 4 of the book. The hardcopy (5<sup>th</sup> edition) and the pdf on my webpage (8<sup>th</sup> edition) have essentially the same material. The following problems are from these sections of the book.

We will use multiplicative notation for all non-specific groups. For  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , we write the members without bars (even though they are residue classes).

**Problem 1.** A subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_{91}$  contains  $\{1, 9, 16, 22, 53, 74, 79, 81, x\}$ . Find  $x$ .

**Problem 2.** Let  $G$  be a group such that  $g^2 = 1$  for every  $g \in G$ . Show that  $G$  is abelian.

**Problem 3.** Let  $G$  be a finite group. Show that the number of elements  $g \in G$  such that  $g^3 = 1$  is odd.

**Problem 4.** Let  $G$  be a group such that, for all  $a, b, c, d, x \in G$ , we have

$$axb = cxd \quad \Rightarrow \quad ab = cd.$$

Show that  $G$  is abelian.

**Definition 1.** Let  $G$  be a group and let  $h \in G$ . The *centralizer* of  $h$  in  $G$  is

$$C_G(h) = \{g \in G \mid gh = hg\}.$$

**Problem 5.** Let  $G$  a group and let  $h \in G$ . Show that  $C_G(h)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .