

MTH 212: Mid-semester exam

Maximum marks: Euler $\phi(61)$

Time: 70 minutes

Instructions. Be sure to show your work and explain your reasoning for full credit. No calculators, phones, notes, etc. are allowed. Unless otherwise stated G always denotes a group.

1. (13+1) Let $G = \{g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4, g_5, g_6, g_7, g_8\}$ be a group defined by the following table:

	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8
g_1	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8
g_2	g_2	g_5	g_4	g_7	g_6	g_1	g_8	g_3
g_3	g_3	g_8	g_5	g_2	g_7	g_4	g_1	g_6
g_4	g_4	g_3	g_6	g_5	g_8	g_7	g_2	g_1
g_5	g_5	g_6	g_7	g_8	g_1	g_2	g_3	g_4
g_6	g_6	g_1	g_8	g_3	g_2	g_5	g_4	g_7
g_7	g_7	g_4	g_1	g_5	g_3	g_8	g_5	g_2
g_8	g_8	g_7	g_2	g_1	g_4	g_3	g_6	g_5

(a) Find the identity element, order of each element, inverse of each element, and the centralizer of each element of G .

(b) What is the center of G ?

2. (2+2+2+2) Let $G = \langle a \rangle$ be a group generated by an element a of order 30.

(a) Find all elements of G which generate G .

(b) List all elements in the subgroup $\langle a^6 \rangle$.

(c) What are the generators of subgroup $\langle a^6 \rangle$?

(d) Find all elements in G of order 3.

3. (2+2+2+1+1+2) Let \mathbb{R} be the additive group of real numbers and let \mathbb{T} be the multiplicative group of complex numbers with absolute value 1. Consider the map $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ given by $\phi(x) = \cos(x) + i \sin x$.

(a) Show that ϕ is a homomorphism from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{T} .

(b) What is the kernel of ϕ ?

(c) What is the image of ϕ ?

(d) Is ϕ injective?

(e) Is ϕ surjective?

e^{i0}

(f) Is ϕ an isomorphism?

4. (2+2+1+2) Let G be a group and H be a subgroup of G . Let $a \in G$.

- (a) Define the left coset of H in G containing a .
- (b) Describe the distinct cosets of \mathbb{Z} in \mathbb{R} and hence write \mathbb{R} as disjoint union of cosets of \mathbb{Z} in \mathbb{R} .
- (c) Write the index of H in G .
- (d) Let $H = 3\mathbb{Z}$. Which of the following cosets are same.
 - i. $11 + H$ and $17 + H$
 - ii. $-1 + H$ and $5 + H$
 - iii. $7 + H$ and $23 + H$
 - iv. $6 + H$ and $2 + H$

5. (2+2+1+0.5) Let $\alpha = (1\ 2\ 4\ 6)(3\ 7\ 5)$ and $\beta = (1\ 4)(2\ 7)(3\ 5)$ be elements in S_7 .

- (a) Compute $\alpha\beta$ and $\beta\alpha$.
- (b) Compute α^{-1} and β^{-1} .
- (c) Compute $\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}$.
- (d) Do α and β commute?

6. (2+1+2+0.5) Let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 4 & 3 & 8 & 6 & 7 & 1 & 5 & 9 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ be an element of S_9 .

- (a) Write α as product of disjoint cycles.
- (b) Find the order of α .
- (c) Write α as product of transpositions.
- (d) Is α an even or odd permutation?

7. (2+2+2+2+2) Fill in the blanks. Give a proof and state any result or theorem you are using to arrive at your answer clearly.

- (a) The minimum possible order of a group consisting of elements of orders 1 through 10, is _____. (Hint: Order of an element divides order of the group).
- (b) Let G be an infinite cyclic group generated by a , and T is an automorphism of G , then $T(a) = a^t$, the possible values of t are 1 and _____.
- (c) If $a \in G$ and $o(a) = 18$, then $o(a^2) =$ _____.
- (d) Consider the center of a group G , i.e., $Z(G) = \{g \in G | gh = hg \text{ for all } h \in G\}$. If $a \in Z(G)$, then the centralizer of a , $C(a) =$ _____.
- (e) Let $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{15} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{25}$ be a group homomorphism. One possible pair of order of $\phi(1)$ is _____.