

KFUPM - Department of Mathematics
MATH 323, Term 222
Exam I (Out of 80), Duration: 120 minutes

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Solve the following Exercises.

Exercise 1: (Exercise 16, page 55) (16 points 4-3-3-6). Let $G = \{5, 15, 25, 35\}$.

- (1) Prove that G is a group under multiplication modulo 40.
- (2) What is the identity of G ? What are the inverses of 5, 15 and 35?
- (3) Find the order of each non trivial element of G
- (4) Form an isomorphism between G and $U(8)$.

Exercise 2: (Exercise 20, page 87, modified) (16 points: 5-5-6). Let G be an abelian group of order 55.

- (1) What are the maximum and minimum numbers of possible elements of order 5?
- (2) What are the maximum and minimum numbers of possible elements of order 11?
- (3) If H is an abelian group of order 33. Is H a cyclic group? Justify.

Exercise 3 (16 points 4-4-4-4). Let G be a cyclic group with order $n = 16$.

- (1) Prove that G cannot have more than 8 elements x such that $x^8 = e$.
- (2) Prove that G cannot have more than 4 elements y such that $y^4 = e$.
- (3) Find a noncyclic group H of order 4 which has 3 elements of order 2 but no element of order 4.
- (4) Find an infinite abelian multiplicative group which has exactly two elements of order 4.

Exercise 4 (16 points 4-4-4-4). Let E be a finite set and $S(E)$ be the group of permutations of E .

- (1) Prove that every $\sigma \in S(E)$ is a product of cycles. (**Theorem 5.1, page 98**)
- (2) Assume that $|E| \geq 3$ and let A_n the subgroup of even permutations of E . Prove that for every distinct transpositions σ_1, σ_2 of E , $\sigma_1\sigma_2$ can be written as a 3-cycle or product of 3-cycles.
- (3) Prove that every $\sigma \in A_n$ is a 3-cycle or a product of 3-cycles.
- (4) Application: Set $E = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ and let σ the permutation given by
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$
. Write σ as a product of cycles, transpositions and 3-cycles.

Exercise 5 (16 points 4-4-4-4). Let G be a group, g, h elements in G and T_g, T_h the inner automorphisms induced by g and h respectively.

- (1) Prove that if $T_g = T_h$, then $h^{-1}g \in Z(G)$. (**Exercise 45, page 135**)
- (2) Prove that if $h^{-1}g \in Z(G)$, then $T_g = T_h$. (**Exercise 47, page 135**)
- (3) If G and H are isomorphic groups, are $Aut(G)$ and $Aut(H)$ isomorphic? Justify.
- (4) If G and H are groups such that $Aut(G)$ is isomorphic to $Aut(H)$, are G and H isomorphic? Justify.