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Exam 2 – MAS 4301H Fall 2017

Remark: Throughout the test n denotes a positive integer greater than 1. Also, abstractly we consider a group $(G, \cdot, e)$. Recall that $\mathbb{Z}_n$ is the set $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ and when equipped with addition is a group $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, 0)$.

1. Definitions and Statements:

(a) Let H be a subgroup of G . State what it means for H to be a *normal* subgroup of G

(b) Define the center of G

$$Z(G) = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$$

(c) State what it means for G to be a finite p -group.

(d) State the Class Equation.

(e) State Sylow's Theorem.

2. Give an example of a non-abelian p -group.

3. Give an example of a group G with a non-normal subgroup H , i.e. give an example of a non-Hamiltonian group.

4. Let H be a subgroup of G . Prove that the normalizer $N_G(H) = \{g \in G : gHg^{-1} = H\}$ is a subgroup of G

5. Consider the map $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3$ defined by $\phi(x) = -x$. In class, we showed that the map $x \rightarrow x^{-1}$ is a homomorphism if and only if G is abelian. So, ϕ is a homomorphism. Clearly, ϕ is an automorphism of $\mathbb{Z}_3$.

Viewing ϕ as a permutation on $\{0, 1, 2\}$ exhibit its permutation representation (e.g. is it the identity, a 2-cycle or a 3-cycle?). What is the order of the permutation, and thus of ϕ as an automorphism?

6. Let $A = \mathbb{Z}_3$ and $G = \mathbb{Z}_4$. Define a map $* : G \times A \rightarrow A$ by

$$g * h = \begin{cases} h, & \text{if } g \text{ is even} \\ -h, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Fill in the action table. You may assume that this is an action of $\mathbb{Z}_4$ on $\mathbb{Z}_3$.

$g * a$	0	1	2
0			
1			
2			
3			

- (a) What are the orbits of this action?
- (b) For $0 \in \mathbb{Z}_3$, what is the stabilizer G_0 ?
- (c) For $1 \in \mathbb{Z}_3$, what is the stabilizer G_1 ?

7. Prove that if $K \leq N_G(H)$, then $HK \leq G$.

8. Let $\phi : G \rightarrow H$ be a homomorphism. Define the kernel of ϕ

$$\ker \phi = \{ \hspace{10em} \}$$

and prove that $\ker \phi \trianglelefteq G$.

9. Let $H = \mathbb{Z}_3$ and $K = \mathbb{Z}_4$, and let $G = H \times K$, the set of ordered pairs (h, k) with $h \in H$ and $k \in K$ with the produce defined by

$$(h_1, k_1) \cdot (h_2, k_2) = (h_1 + (k_1 * h_2), k_1 + k_2)$$

where $*$ is the action defined in Problem 6. This multiplication makes G into a group of order 12.

(a) Compute $\langle (1, 0) \rangle = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$.

(b) Compute $\langle (0, 1) \rangle = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$.

(c) Compute $\langle (1, 1) \rangle = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$.

(d) Compute $\langle (2, 1) \rangle = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$.

(e) Compute $\langle (1, 2) \rangle = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$.

(f) How many elements of order 4 are there in G ?

(g) How many elements of order 2 are there in G ?

(h) How many elements of order 3 are there in G ? Is $\langle (1, 0) \rangle$ a normal subgroup?

(i) How many elements of order 6 are there in G ? Is $\langle (1, 2) \rangle$ a normal subgroup?

(j) Compute $(2, 1)(0, 1)(2, 1)^{-1}$. Is $\langle (0, 3) \rangle$ a normal subgroup?

(k) Is G cyclic? abelian? Hamiltonian? solvable? simple?

(l) Draw the lattice of subgroups of G .

(m) Determine the distinct conjugacy classes. What is the center of G ?