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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION/ SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: SMA 304

COURSE TITLE: GROUP THEORY

DATE: May, 2016

TIME: 2hrs

INSTRUCTIONS

Attempt **Question1** and **two other** questions

Show all the necessary working

Question1 [30 marks] COMPULSORY

(a) Define a relation \equiv on Z , the set of integers, by $m \equiv n$ if $m - n$ is divisible by 5.

Show that

(i) \equiv is reflexive (ii) \equiv is symmetric (iii) \equiv is transitive

(iv) \equiv defines an equivalence relation on Z [4 marks]

(b) If $a \equiv b \pmod{7}$, $c \equiv d \pmod{7}$ and $(m, 7) = 1$ prove that

(i) $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{7}$ (ii) $a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{7}$ (iii) $ma \equiv mb \pmod{7}$ [10 marks]

(c) Consider the multiplication in $Z/7$ as shown below.

\times	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	1	2	3	4	5	6
2	2					
3	3		2			
4	4					
5	5				4	
6	6					1

(i) Complete the multiplication table

(ii) Show that $(5 \times 4) \times 6 = 5 \times (4 \times 6)$

(iii) State the neutral element

(iv) Determine the inverse of each element. [10marks]

(d) Let $\langle G, \oplus \rangle$, $\langle \bar{G}, * \rangle$ be groups defined on the sets G, \bar{G} respectively.

If $\theta: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$ is a mapping defined from G into \bar{G} , state what is meant by

(i) θ is a homomorphism

(ii) θ is an isomorphism

(iii) K_θ is kernel of θ [6 marks]

Question 2 [20 marks]

Define the product $x \oplus y$ by $x + y$ on the set R of real numbers and the product $x * y$ by $x \times y$ on the set R^* of nonzero real numbers .

(a) Prove that $\langle R, \oplus \rangle, \langle R^*, * \rangle$ are groups . [10 marks]

(b) Suppose $\Phi: R \rightarrow R^*$ with $\Phi(r) = 3^r; r \in R$.

- (i) show that Φ is a homomorphism
- (ii) show that Φ is a one-to-one
- (iii) determine K_Φ the kernel of Φ [10 marks]

Question3 [20 marks]

Let $\langle G, \bullet \rangle, \langle H, * \rangle$ be finite groups defined on the sets G, H with binary operations $\bullet, *$ respectively.

If $\theta: G \rightarrow H$ is a homomorphism mapping defined from G into H , prove that K_θ the kernel of θ , is a normal subgroup of G . [20 marks]

Question 4 [20 marks]

A mapping p is defined on a set of permutations by $p: (1234) \rightarrow (2341)$. Determine the least positive integer m such that $(p)^m: (1234) \rightarrow (1234); 1 \leq m \leq 24$. Let $p_j = (p)^j: j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m$ and take $p_1 \bullet p_2$ to mean p_1 followed by p_2 ; $p_1 \bullet p_1 = (p_1)^2$ to mean p_1 followed by p_1 ; $p_1 \bullet p_2 \bullet p_3$ to mean p_1 followed by p_2 followed by p_3 etc .

Construct Cayley table for the structure $\langle S, \bullet \rangle$ where $S = \{p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_m\}$.

- (i) Show that \bullet is closed on the set S
- (ii) Show that $(p_1 \bullet p_2) \bullet p_3 = p_1 \bullet (p_2 \bullet p_3)$
- (iii) State the neutral element p_k
- (iv) Determine the inverse of each element p_j . [20 marks]

Question 5 [20 marks]

Let $\langle G, \bullet \rangle, \langle H, * \rangle$ be groups defined on the sets G, H with binary operations $\bullet, *$ respectively.

Define $G \times H$ by the ordered pair (g_1, h_1) for which $G \times H = \{(g_1, h_1): g_1 \in G, h_1 \in H\}$.

If $(g_1, h_1) \otimes (g_2, h_2) = (g_1 \bullet g_2, h_1 * h_2): g_1, g_2 \in G, h_1, h_2 \in H$ with \otimes , as a new binary operation on $G \times H$, prove that the direct product $\langle G \times H, \otimes \rangle$ forms a group. [20 marks]