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Final Exam – Fall 2017
MTH 320 – Abstract Algebra I

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Time: 8:00 am - 10:00 am

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QUESTION 1. (i) Let $D = Z_4 \times Z_3$. Then $H = \{0\} \times Z_3$ is a subgroup of D . Find all left cosets of H . The abelian group D/H is isomorphic to a well-known group F . What is F ?

(ii) Give me an example of an infinite NON-ABELIAN group say D such that D has a simple normal subgroup H ($H \neq \{e\}$ and $H \neq D$) where D/H is abelian but not cyclic

(iii) Give me an example of a group say $(D, *)$ such that D has two elements a, b where $|a| = |b| = \infty$, but $|a * b| = 13$

QUESTION 2. Let D be an abelian group with $3^2 \cdot 13^2$ such that D has EXACTLY one subgroups with 13 elements. Up to isomorphism, find all possible structures of D .

QUESTION 3. Let D be an abelian group with $5 \cdot 7^2$ elements. Up to isomorphism, find all possible structures of D .

QUESTION 4.

Let $F : (Z, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$ be a nontrivial group homomorphism. Given $\text{Ker}(F) \neq \{0\}$. Find $\text{Range}(F)$ and $\text{Ker}(F)$. What is $F(12)$? What is $F(7)$?

QUESTION 5. Write $D = Z_4 \times Z_6 \times Z_{14}$ in terms of its invariant factors.

QUESTION 6. Assume H is a subgroup of $(D, *)$, where $H \neq D$. Assume that $D \setminus H$ is a finite set. Note that $D \setminus H = \{x \in D \mid x \notin H\}$. Prove that D is a finite group.

QUESTION 7. Consider the group (S_{15}, o) . Prove that S_{15} has a subgroup with 56 elements. Let M be a cyclic subgroup of S_{15} of maximal order, say m (i.e., the order of every cyclic subgroup of S_{15} is less or equal to m). Find m .

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