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Read all the problems quickly before starting work. Turn in your bluebook only. Keep this list of questions for later reference.

- 1. Define an isomorphism  $\phi : \mathbf{Z}_6 \longrightarrow \mathbf{Z}_7^{\times}$ .
- 2. Write the permutation (345)(1234)(123) as a product of disjoint cycles and compute its order.
- 3. Compute all powers of the permutation (123456), writing them as disjoint cycles and computing their orders.
- 4. Let H be a subgroup of G with |G| = 7|H|. If K is a subgroup of G which contains H, H < K < G, show that either K = H or K = G.
- 5. Let G be a group and let H < G be a subgroup.
  - (a) Define a relation on G by

$$x \sim y \iff xy \in H$$

Is this an equivalence relation? Prove or disprove.

(b) Define a relation on G by

$$x \sim y \iff xy^{-1} \in H$$

Is this an equivalence relation? Prove or disprove.

6. Prove that if G is a finite group of order N, then  $x^N = e$  for every  $x \in G$ . (Hint: recall that the order of an element x is the order of the subgroup  $\langle x \rangle$  that it generates.)

- 7. (a) Let N = lcm(n, m). Show that N(x, y) = (0, 0) for every  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m$ .
  - (b) If gcd(n,m) > 1 show that  $\mathbf{Z}_n \times \mathbf{Z}_m$  is not cyclic.
- 8. Let G be a group. Define a relation on G by  $g \sim h$  iff  $xgx^{-1} = h$  for some  $x \in G$ .
  - (a) Show that this is an equivalence relation.
  - (b) Divide  $S_3$  into equivalence classes. Hint: recall that  $\sigma(1, 2, 3, ..., k)\sigma^{-1} = (\sigma(1), \sigma(2), ..., \sigma(k)).$
- 9. Let G be a group and let  $g \in G$ .
  - (a) Let  $f: G \longrightarrow G$  be f(x) = gx. Show that f is one-to-one and onto. Is f an isomorphism? Prove your answers.
  - (b) Let  $h: G \longrightarrow G$  be  $h(x) = gxg^{-1}$ . Show that h is one-to-one and onto. Is h an isomorphism? Prove your answers.

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