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Abstract Algebra Class-W Prof. JLF King
MAS4301 3249 Wednesday, 26Oct2022

Ord: _____

Hello. Let F and R be the *flip* and *rotation* in the dihedral group \mathbb{D}_N , with $F^2=e$, $R^N=e$ and $RFRF=e$. Use R^j and R^jF as the std. form of each element in \mathbb{D}_N . Symbol \mathbb{Z}_N denotes the *cyclic gp* $(\mathbb{Z}_N, +, 0)$.

A perm of cyc-sig $\lceil 1^3, 5^2 \rceil$ has three 1-cycles and two 5-cycles.

W1: Short answer. Show no work. Write LARGE.

Write **DNE** if the object does not exist or the operation cannot be performed. NB: $\mathbf{DNE} \neq \{\} \neq 0$.

a For a LOR (letter-of-recommendation), Prof. K requires two courses, or a Special Topics or graduate course Circle:

Yes

True

Darn tootin'!

b In dihedral group $G := \mathbb{D}_{24}$ generated by flip F and rotation R , consider the subgroup $H := \langle F, R^4 \rangle_G$. The index of H in G is $|G:H| =$ _____.

c Binomial $\binom{6}{2} =$ _____. So a $\lceil 3^6 \rceil$ -perm $\beta \in \mathbb{S}_{18}$ has _____ many square-roots of sig= $\lceil 6^1, 3^4 \rceil$. A cube-root of β has signature = \lceil _____ \rceil .

d In \mathbb{S}_{13} , the maximum possible order of an element is $\text{MaxOrd}(\mathbb{S}_{13}) = \text{LCM}(\text{_____}) =$ _____.

e Sequence $[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]$ is fed into a shuffling machine, then again, then again. The resulting perm, $\gamma := \alpha^3 \in \mathbb{S}_7$, is sequence $[2, 4, 1, 6, 3, 7, 5]$. So just *one* shuffle put $[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]$ in order _____.

OYOP: In grammatical English *sentences*, write your essays on every 2nd line (usually), so I can easily write between the lines.

W2: For $N = 3, 4, 5, \dots$, prove each perm β in \mathbb{A}_N [the N^{th} alternating gp] can be written as a composition [L-to-R] of 3-cycles. [The cycles need not be disjoint.]

Define $\alpha := \langle 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 \rangle \langle 6, 7 \rangle$ in \mathbb{A}_8 . As a product of 2-cycles, $\alpha =$ _____.

[The cycles need *not* be disjoint.] As a product of 3-cycles, $\alpha =$ _____.

W3: For groups $G \supset H$, formally state Lagrange's theorem.

Carefully prove Lagrange's thm, starting with "Proof:".

End of Class-W

W1: _____ 100pts

W2: _____ 55pts

W3: _____ 40pts

Total: _____ 195pts

NAME: _____

HONOR CODE: "I have neither requested nor received help on this exam other than from my professor or TA."

Signature: _____