

Practical –2.1

Example and Properties of Groups

Objective Questions

- 1) Which of the following set is a group under indicated binary operation,
 

(a) $(\mathbb{N}, +)$	(b) $(\mathbb{R}, \cdot)$
(c) $(\mathbb{R}^*, +)$	(d) $(\mathbb{R}, +)$
- 2) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in G$  then inverse of  $a_1 a_2^{-1} a_3^{-1} a_4$  is
 

(a) $a_1^{-1} a_2 a_3 a_4^{-1}$	(b) $a_4^{-1} a_2 a_3 a_1^{-1}$
(c) $a_1^{-1} a_3 a_2 a_1^{-1}$	(d) None of these
- 3) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b, c \in G$  then the solution of the equations  $axb^{-1} = c$  and  $a^{-1}y^{-1}b^{-1} = c$  are
 

(a) $x = a^{-1}c^{-1}b, y = a^{-1}c^{-1}b^{-1}$	(b) $x = a^{-1}cb, y = b^{-1}c^{-1}a^{-1}$
(c) $x = a^{-1}c^{-1}b, y = b^{-1}c^{-1}a^{-1}$	(d) $x = a^{-1}c^{-1}b, y = b^{-1}c^{-1}a^{-1}$
- 4) Let  $O$  denotes the set of odd integers. Then
 

(a) $O$ forms group under multiplication	(b) $O$ forms group under addition
(c) $O$ doesn't forms group under addition	(d) None of these
- 5)  $(\mathbb{N}, +)$  is not a group as
 

(a) Associative law does not hold in $(\mathbb{N}, +)$	(b) Cancellation law does not hold in $(\mathbb{N}, +)$
(c) $\mathbb{N}$ has no identity element with respect to $+$	(d) $\mathbb{N}$ has elements which have more than one inverse with respect to $+$
- 6) Consider the set  $G = \{\bar{5}, \bar{15}, \bar{25}, \bar{35}\}$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 40. Then
 

(a) $G$ is not a group as $\bar{1} \notin G$	(b) $G$ is a group with $\bar{25}$ as identity
(c) $G$ is a group with $\bar{5}$ as identity	(d) None of these
- 7) Consider the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}$  is set of integers and  $a * b = a + b - 6$ 
  - (a)  $-6$  is identity of  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$  and inverse of  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is  $6 - a$ .
  - (b)  $6$  is identity of  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$  and inverse of  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is  $12 - a$ .
  - (c)  $6$  is identity of  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$  and inverse of  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$  is  $6 - a$ .
  - (d) None of these
- 8) Consider the sets (i)  $(\mathbb{Z}, \cdot)$ (ii)  $(\mathbb{N}, +)$ (iii)  $(\mathbb{R}, \cdot)$   
(iv)  $(G, \cdot)$  where  $G = \{2^m 3^n : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ 

(a) (i) and (iv) are groups.	(b) Only (iv) is group.
(c) (ii) and (iii) are groups.	(d) None of these
- 9) Which of the following group is non-Abelian
 

(a) $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$	(b) $S_3$
(c) $\mu_4$ , the fourth root of unity	(d) None of these

- 10) The identity of  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{Q}, a \neq 0 \right\}$  under multiplication of  $2 \times 2$  matrices is
- (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- 11) Let  $G_1 = \{\bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}\}$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 4 and  $G_2 = \{\bar{1}, \bar{2}\}$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 3. Then
- (a)  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are groups (b)  $G_1$  is a group but  $G_2$  is not a group  
(c)  $G_1$  is not a group but  $G_2$  is a groups (d) None of these
- 12) Let  $G = \{\bar{1}, \bar{3}, \bar{9}, \bar{11}, \bar{a}, \bar{19}, \bar{27}, \bar{33}\}$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 40 where  $1 \leq a \leq 40$ . Then
- (a)  $a = 13$  (b)  $a = 17$  (c)  $a = 23$  (d)  $a = 31$
- 13) Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and  $P(X)$  denoted power set of  $X$ . For the group  $(P(X), \Delta)$  such that  $A \Delta B = A - B$
- (a)  $X$  is identity and for  $A \in P(X), A^{-1} = A$  (b)  $\emptyset$  is identity and for  $A \in P(X), A^{-1} = A$   
(c)  $\emptyset$  is identity and for  $A \in P(X), A^{-1} = A^c$  (d) None of these
- 14) Let  $G = GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ . Then
- (a)  $G$  is an infinite Abelian group for  $n \geq 2$  (b)  $G$  is a finite Abelian group for  $n = 2$   
(c)  $G$  is an infinite non-Abelian group for  $n \geq 2$  (d) None of these
- 15) Let  $G$  be a group  $a, b \in G$  such that  $ab = ba, o(a) = m, o(b) = n$ . Then
- (a)  $o(ab) = mn$  (b)  $o(ab) = l.c.m[m, n]$   
(c)  $o(ab)$  divides  $l.c.m[m, n]$  but may not be equal to  $l.c.m[m, n]$  (d) None of these
- 16) Let  $G$  be a group,  $a \in G$  a such that  $o(a) = n$ . If  $a^r = a^s$  then
- (a)  $r = s$  (b)  $r + s = n$  (c)  $r \equiv s \pmod{n}$  (d) None of these
- 17) The number of elements in  $U(n)$ , the group of prime residue class modulo  $n$  is
- (a)  $n$  (b)  $n - 1$  (c)  $\phi(n)$  (d) None of these
- 18) The set  $\mathbb{Z}_n^*$  under multiplication of residue class modulo  $n$  is a group if and only if
- (a)  $n$  is odd (b)  $n$  is prime (c)  $n$  is even (d) None of these
- 19) In the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{42}, +)$ , order of  $\bar{18}$  is
- (a) 7 (b) 18 (c) 6 (d) None of these
- 20) The inverse of  $\bar{3}$  in the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot)$  is
- (a)  $\bar{3}$  (b)  $\bar{5}$  (c)  $\bar{2}$  (d) None of these
- 21) Which of the following is a Klein-4 group.
- (a)  $U(10)$  (b)  $\mu_4$ , fourth root of unity (c)  $U(8)$  (d) None of these
- 22) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b, \in G$ . Let  $e$  be the identity element of  $G$ . If  $a^4 = e, ab = ba^2$  then
- (a)  $a = e$  (b)  $a = b$  (c)  $a = b^2$  (d)  $b = a^2$

- 23) Let  $G$  be a finite group. Then the number of solutions of the equation  $x^3 = e$
- (a) is one (b) is a multiple of 3  
(c) is always odd number (d) is always even number
- 24) Consider the following statements.  
(i) In a group  $G$ , the equation  $x^2 = x$  has two solutions.  
(ii) In a group  $G$ , the equation  $x^2 = e$  may have more than two solutions.  
(iii) In a group  $G$ , if  $x^3 = e$  has more than one solution then the number of solutions is an even number.  
(iv) In a group  $G$ , the equation  $ax = b$ , where  $a, b \in G$  can have more than one solution.  
Then  
(a) (ii) and (iii) are true statements (b) only (ii) is true  
(c) (ii) and (iv) are false (d) None of these
- 25) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = 20$ , then  $o(a^4)$  is  
(a) 15 (b) 5 (c) 12 (d) 20
- 26) Consider the group  $(Q^+, o)$  where  $Q^+$  is set of positive rational numbers and  $a o b = \frac{ab}{3}$  for  $a, b \in Q^+$ .  
Then  
(a)  $\frac{1}{3}$  is the identity element of the group and for  $a \in Q^+, a^{-1} = \frac{1}{3a}$   
(b) 1 is the identity element of the group and for  $a \in Q^+, a^{-1} = \frac{3}{a}$   
(c) 3 is identity element of the group and  $a^{-1} = \frac{3}{a}$  for  $a \in Q^+$   
(d) None of the above
- 27) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = 17$ , then  $o(a^8)$  is  
(a) 17 (b) 16 (c) 8 (d) 5
- 28) Suppose a group  $G$  contains elements  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $o(a) = 4, o(b) = 2, a^3b = ba$ . Then  $o(ab)$  is  
(a) 2 (b) 5 (c) Infinite (d) 6
- 29) In a group  $G$ , the number of elements  $a \in G$  such that  $a^2 = a$  is  
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) None of these

### Descriptive Questions

- Show that  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$  is a group, where  $a * b = a + b - 5$ , for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- Show that  $(\mathbb{Q}^*, o)$  is a group, where  $a o b = \frac{ab}{6}$ , for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}^*$ .
- Show that  $(\mathbb{R} - \{1\}, *)$  is a group, where  $a * b = a + b - ab$  for  $a, b \in \mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ . Hence solve  $2 * x * 3 = 7$  in  $\mathbb{R} - \{1\}$ .
- Show that the following are group under multiplication of  $2 \times 2$  matrices,
  - $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0 \right\}$
  - $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0 \right\}$

- (iii)  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix} : a, b, d \in \mathbb{R}, ad \neq 0 \right\}$
- (iv)  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{Q}, a \neq 0 \right\}$
- (v)  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0 \right\}$
- (vi)  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \text{ and } b \text{ not both zero} \right\}$
- 5) Show that  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & b \\ 0 & 1 & c \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a group under multiplication of  $3 \times 3$  real matrices.
- 6) Construct composition table for the following sets and show they forms group,
- $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$  under addition of residue classes modulo 6.
  - $(\mathbb{Z}_7^*, \cdot)$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 7.
  - $U(10)$ , under multiplication of residue classes modulo 10.
  - $U(12)$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 12.
  - $U(14)$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 14.
- 7) Construct composition table for the following sets and show they forms group. Which of them are Klein-4 group Justify?
- $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$  under multiplication of complex numbers
  - $U(8)$ , under multiplication of residue classes modulo 8.
  - $G = \{\overline{5}, \overline{15}, \overline{25}, \overline{35}\}$  under multiplication of residue classes modulo 40.
  - $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  under multiplication of  $2 \times 2$  matrices.
- 8) Write all complex roots of  $x^7 = 1$ . Show that they form a group under usual multiplication.
- 9) Show that the set of all complex numbers  $a + ib$  such that  $a^2 + b^2 = 1$  is a group under the usual multiplication of complex numbers.
- 10) Let  $G$  be a group of order 4. If  $e, a, b$  are distinct elements of  $G$  such that  $a^2 = e, b^2 = e$ , where  $e$  is the identity element of  $G$ , then show that  $G = \{e, a, b, ab\}$  and form composition table of  $G$ .
- 11) If  $(G, \cdot)$  is a group, then show that  $(G^0, *)$  is a group where  $G^0 = G$  and for  $a, b \in G, a * b = b \cdot a$
- 12) Let  $U$  be a non-empty set.  $G = \{X \mid X \subseteq U\}$ . Show that  $G$  is an Abelian group under binary operation  $\oplus$  defined by  $X \oplus Y = (X - Y) \cup (Y - X)$  for  $X, Y \in G$ .
- 13) In a group  $G$  prove the following:
- For  $a, b, c \in G$ . Show that there exists a unique element  $x$  in  $G$  such that  $axb = c$ .

- b)  $G = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ . Let  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_n = x$ . Prove that  $xx = e$ .
- c) If  $a, b \in G$  and  $a^5 = b^5, a^{12} = b^{12}$ . Then show that  $a = b$ .
- d) Let  $a, b, \in G$ . Suppose that  $a^2 = e$  and  $ab^4a = b^7$ . Prove that  $b^{33} = e$ .
- e) Let  $G$  be a group such that  $ab = ca \Rightarrow b = c$ , for  $a, b, c \in G$ . Show that  $G$  is Abelian.
- f) Let  $G$  be a group such that  $(ab)^3 = a^3b^3, (ab)^4 = a^4b^4, (ab)^5 = a^5b^5 \forall a, b \in G$ .  
Show that  $G$  is an Abelian group.
- g) Let  $G$  be a group such that  $a^5b^5 = b^5a^5, a^{12}a^{12} = b^{12}a^{12}, \forall a, b \in G$ . Show that  $G$  is Abelian.
- h) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$  such that  $ab = ba$ . Prove that  $(ab)^n = a^n b^n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- 14) In  $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ , show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  are elements of finite order, whereas  $AB$  is of infinite order.
- 15) Find the order of  $\overline{12}, \overline{16}, \overline{18}$  in each of the following group. Also state clearly the result used.      a)  $(\mathbb{Z}_{28}, +)$                       (b)  $(\mathbb{Z}_{40}, +)$                       (c)  $(\mathbb{Z}_{42}, +)$
- 16) Compute  $o(\overline{2})$  in  $U(7), U(11), U(41)$ .
- 17) Let  $G$  is a group of order 8, show that  $G$  has an element of order 2.
- 18) Consider the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{15}$ . Find the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that  $n\overline{5} = \overline{0}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{15}$ .
- 19) Consider the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$ . Find the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that  $n\overline{5} = \overline{0}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$ .
- 20) Find the smallest positive integer  $n$  such that  $\overline{7}^n = \overline{1}$  in  $U(10)$  and in  $U(12)$ .
- 21) Find the order of  $\overline{6}$  in the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  and the order of  $\overline{3}$  in  $U(10)$ .
- 22) In the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{15}$ , Find the order of the following elements:  $\overline{5}, \overline{8}$  and  $\overline{10}$ .
- 23) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = 24$  then find  $o(a^4), o(a^7)$  and  $o(a^{10})$ .
- 24) In the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$ , Find the order of the elements:  $\overline{7}, \overline{10}$  and  $\overline{12}$ .

**Practical No : 2.2**  
**Group of Symmetry and symmetric group  $S_n$**

**Objective Questions**

- (1) The group of symmetries of a rectangle which is not a square is  
(a)  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$       (b)  $V_4$  – Klein's Four group      (c)  $D_4$       (d) None of these
- (2) The group of symmetries of a square has order  
(a) 4      (b) 24      (c) 8      (d) None of these
- (3) The group of symmetries of  
(a) a square is Abelian      (b) an equilateral triangle is Abelian  
(c) a rectangle is Abelian      (d) None of these
- (4) The group of symmetries of a regular  $n$  –gon ( $n > 3$ ) has  
(a)  $n$  elements of order 2 and  $n - 1$  elements of order  $n$ .  
(b)  $n$  elements of order 2 if  $n$  is odd.  
(c) exactly 2 elements of order  $n$ .  
(d) None of the above.
- (5) Let  $G$  be the group of symmetries of a square. Then center of  $G$  has  
(a) only one element.      (b) four elements.  
(c) exactly two elements.      (d) None of these
- (6) Let  $G$  be the group of symmetries of a regular pentagon. Then  $G$  has  
(a) 5 reflections and 5 rotations.      (b) no reflections and 10 rotations.  
(c) 10 reflections and 10 rotations.      (d) None of these
- (7) Let  $\sigma \in S_n$  be a cycle of length  $r$ . Then  $\sigma^k$  is a cycle of length  $r$  if  
(a)  $k$  is odd      (b)  $(k, r) = 1$       (c)  $k$  is even      (d) None of these
- (8) The number of elements of order 2 in  $S_4$  is  
(a) 8      (b) 6      (c) 9      (d) None of these
- (9) Let  $H = \{\alpha \in S_5 : \alpha(1) = 1\}$ . Then  
(a)  $H$  has only identity element.      (b)  $H$  has only even permutations.  
(c)  $o(H) = 24$       (d)  $o(H) = 12$
- (10) The orders of elements in the group  $A_4$  are  
(a) 1, 2 and 3.      (b) 1, 2 and 4.      (c) 1, 3 and 4.      (d) 1, 2.
- (11) The maximum order of an element in  $S_{10}$  is  
(a) 10      (b) 24      (c) 25      (d) 30

- (12) The normalizer  $N((123))$  of the element  $(123)$  in  $S_3$  is  
 (a)  $\{I, (123)\}$  (b)  $\{I, (123), (132)\}$   
 (c)  $\{I, (132)\}$  (d) None of these
- (13) For what value of  $n$ ,  $D_n = S_n$   
 (a)  $n = 3$  (b)  $n = 4$  (c)  $n = 5$  (d) there is no such  $n$  exists
- If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are disjoint permutations in  $S_n$  such that  $o(\alpha) = m$ ,  $o(\beta) = k$  then order of  
 (14)  $(\alpha \circ \beta)$  is  
 (a) always less than  $n$ . (b)  $mk$  (c)  $l.c.m[m, k]$  (d) None of these
- (15) If  $\sigma \in S_n$  has odd order then  
 (a)  $\sigma$  is odd permutation. (b)  $\sigma$  is even permutation.  
 (c)  $\sigma$  may be even or odd permutation. (d) None of these
- (16) Every permutation in  $A_n$  can be written as product of  
 (a) even number of transpositions (b)  $p$  transpositions, where  $p$  is an odd prime  
 (c) odd number of transpositions (d) None of the above
- (17) Let  $\beta \in S_7$  such that  $\beta^4 = (2143567)$  then  $\beta$  is equal to  
 (a)  $(2516473)$  (b)  $(2457136)$  (c)  $(2631754)$  (d) None of these
- (18) In the group of symmetry of a rectangle (which is not a square), the element obtain in rotation of rectangle by angle  $180^\circ$  is  
 (a)  $(12)(34)$  (b)  $(13)(24)$  (c)  $(14)(23)$  (d) None of these
- (19) The group of symmetric of an equilateral triangle is  
 (a)  $S_3$  (b)  $A_3$  (c)  $A_4$  (d)  $S_4$
- (20) In the group of symmetries of an equilateral triangle with vertices. 1, 2,3, let  $\sigma$  denote clockwise rotation through  $120^\circ$  about center and  $\tau$  denote reflection about the line joining vertex 1 and mid point of opposite side then  
 (a)  $\sigma$  does not commute with  $\tau$ . (b)  $\sigma$  commutes with every element of the group  
 (c)  $\sigma, \tau$  have order 2 (d)  $\sigma, \tau$  have order 3.
- (21) Let  $G_1, G_2, G_3$  denote the group of symmetries of a equilateral rectangle, rectangle and square respectively. Then,  
 (a)  $G_1, G_2, G_3$  are all abelian (b)  $G_1, G_2, G_3$  are all non-abelian  
 (c)  $G_1$  and  $G_3$  are non-abelian and  $G_2$  is abelian (d)  $G_1, G_2$  are abelian and  $G_3$  is non-abelian
- (22) Let  $G$  denote the group of symmetries of a square then the number of elements in the centre of  $G$  is  
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
- (23) The group of symmetries of a regular  $n - gon$  is  
 (a)  $S_n$  (b)  $S_{2n}$  (c)  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  (d)  $D_n$
- (24) Consider the groups  $A_3, A_4, S_3, S_4$ . Among them  
 (a)  $A_3$  is abelian,  $S_3, S_4$  are non-abelian (b)  $A_3, A_4$  are abelian,  $S_3, S_4$  are non-abelian

- (c) All the groups are non-abelian                      (d)  $A_3, S_3$  are abelian,  $A_4, S_4$  are non-abelian
- (25)  $S_3$  has no element of order
- (a) 1    (b) 2    (c) 4    (d) 3

### Descriptive Questions

- (1) List all elements of group of symmetries of an equilateral triangle as permutations on its vertices and form the composition table.
- (2) List all elements of group of symmetries of a square as permutations on its vertices. Find elements  $\sigma, \tau$  in  $G$  such that  $\sigma^4 = e = \tau^2, \tau\sigma = \sigma^3\tau$  and  $G = \langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$
- (3) List all elements of group of symmetries of a rectangle (which is not a square) as permutations on its vertices and form the composition table. Show that this group is Klein's four group.
- (4) List all elements of  $S_3$  and  $S_4$ . Express them as a product of disjoint cycles and determine which are even and which are odd. Further list the elements of  $A_3$  and  $A_4$ .
- (5) Find the order of each element of  $S_3, S_4, A_3$  and  $A_4$ .
- (6) Let  $\alpha = (124)(157), \beta = (162)(2415)(135)$ . Find  $\alpha^{2018}, \beta^{2019}$ . Which of these are cycles?
- (7) Let  $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 5 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \in S_6$ . Find  $\alpha\beta, \alpha\beta^{-1}, \alpha^2\beta$ . Express them as a product of disjoint cycles and find their orders in the group  $S_6$ .
- (8) Show that there is no  $\alpha \in S_3$  such that  $\alpha^{-1}(123)\alpha = (12)$ .
- (9) Find all positive integers  $n$  such that  $S_5$  and  $S_6$  contains an element of order  $n$ .
- (10) i) In  $S_5$ , Find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $o(\alpha) = 2, o(\beta) = 2$  but  $o(\alpha\beta) = 5$ .  
ii) In  $S_5$ , Find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  such that  $o(\alpha) = 3, o(\beta) = 3$  but  $o(\alpha\beta) = 5$ .
- (11) i) Let  $\sigma = (123 \dots 10)$ . Find  $\sigma^k$  for  $0 \leq k \leq 9$  and find the integers for which  $\sigma^k$  is a 10-cycle.  
ii) Let  $\beta = (12)(34)(56)(78)(9 \ 10)$ . Determine whether there exists a 10-cycle  $\alpha$  such that  $\alpha^k = \beta$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- (12) i) Show that  $A_8$  contains an element of order 15. Also find an element of order 15 in  $A_8$ .  
ii) Let  $\alpha = (13579)(246)(8 \ 10)$ . If  $\alpha^m$  is a 5-cycle, what can be said about  $m$ .
- (13) Suppose that  $n$  is odd and  $\sigma \in S_n$  is a  $n$ -cycle. Prove that  $\sigma$  does not commute with any element of order 2.
- (14) Find normalizer of each element of  $S_3$ , where normalizer of any  $a \in G$  is defined as

$$N(a) = \{x \in G : ax = xa\}.$$

- (15) If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are disjoint permutations in  $S_n$  such that  $o(\alpha) = m$ ,  $o(\beta) = k$  then show that order of  $(\alpha \circ \beta)$  is *l. c. m*[ $m, k$ ].
- (16) Find  $a, b \in S_3$  such that  $(ab)^2 \neq a^2b^2$  and  $(ab)^{-1} \neq a^{-1}b^{-1}$ .
- (17) Let  $\alpha = (125)(6135)$  and  $\beta = (134)(265)(243)$ . Write  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as a product of disjoint cycles.
- Find  $\alpha^{-1}$ ,  $\beta^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $\beta\alpha$ ,  $\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}$ .
  - Verify that  $o(\alpha^{-1}) = o(\alpha)$ ,  $o(\alpha\beta) = o(\beta\alpha)$ ,  $o(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1}) = o(\beta)$ .
  - Verify that  $(\alpha\beta\alpha^{-1})^{12} = \alpha\beta^{12}\alpha^{-1}$ .
- (18) Let  $\alpha = (126)(634)(562)$  and  $\beta = (154)(3124)$ . Write  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as a product of disjoint cycles.
- Find  $\alpha^{-1}$ ,  $\beta^{-1}$ ,  $\alpha\beta$ ,  $o(\alpha)$ ,  $o(\beta)$ .
  - Is  $o(\alpha\beta) = o(\alpha)o(\beta)$ ? Justify.
  - Find  $o(\alpha^{16})$ ,  $o(\beta^{20})$ .

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**Practical no. -2.3**  
**Subgroups, Order of an Element**

**Objective Questions**

1. Let  $H$  be a proper subgroup of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  such that 18, 30, 40 belong to  $H$  then  
(a)  $H = 10\mathbb{Z}$       (b)  $H = 2\mathbb{Z}$       (c)  $H = \mathbb{Z}$       (d)  $H = 360\mathbb{Z}$
2. Let  $G$  be a group having elements of order 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. The minimal possible order of  $G$  is  
(a) 100      (b) 30      (c) 60      (d) 1
3. Let  $G$  be a group of odd order and  $e$  be an identity element of  $G$ . The equation  $x^2 = e$  has  
(a) a unique solution in  $G$       (b) no solution in  $G$       (c) two solutions in  $G$       (d) Cannot say
4. Let  $G$  be a non-Abelian group  $Z(G) = \{x \in G \mid ax = xa \ \forall a \in G\}$  then  
(a)  $Z(G) = \{e\}$       (b)  $Z(G) \neq G$  and  $Z(G)$  is Abelian      (c)  $Z(G) = G$       (d)  $Z(G)$  is non-Abelian
5. A group  $G$  has subgroups of order 45 and 75. If  $0(G) < 400$  then  
(a)  $0(G) = 150$       (b)  $0(G) = 225$       (c)  $0(G) = 375$       (d)  $0(G) = 150$  or 225
6.  $A_4$  has no subgroup of order  
(a) 2      (b) 3      (c) 4      (d) 6
7. Let  $\alpha = (13)(24) \in S_4$ . Let  $N(\alpha) = \{\sigma \in S_4 \mid \sigma\alpha = \alpha\sigma\}$ . Then order of subgroup  $N(\alpha)$  is  
(a) 4      (b) 6      (c) 12      (d) 24
8. Let  $\alpha = (123) \in S_3$ . Let  $N(\alpha) = \{\sigma \in S_3 \mid \sigma\alpha = \alpha\sigma\}$ . Then order of subgroup  $N(\alpha)$  is  
(a) 3      (b) 2      (c) 1      (d) 6
9. Let  $p, q$  be distinct prime integers.  $H$  be a proper subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}$  under addition. If  $H$  contains exactly 3 elements from the set  $\{p, pq, p+q, p^q, q^p\}$  then the 3 elements of  $H$  are  
(a)  $pq, p^q, q^p$       (b)  $p+q, pq, p^q$       (c)  $p, p^q, q^p$       (d)  $p, pq, p^q$
10.  $\mathbb{C}^*$  under multiplication has  
(a) No non-trivial finite cyclic subgroup      (b) Only one non-trivial finite cyclic subgroup  
(c) Infinitely many non-trivial finite cyclic subgroups      (d) None of these.

11. Let  $p$  be prime. If a group  $G$  has more than  $p - 1$  elements of order  $p$ , then
- (a)  $G$  is cyclic (b)  $G$  is not cyclic  
(c)  $G$  has a unique subgroup of order  $p$ . (d) None of these.  
(e)
12.  $U(12)$ , the multiplicative group of units in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ , has
- (a) Only one proper subgroup (b) Two proper subgroup.  
(c) Three proper subgroups (d) None of these.
13.  $\{\bar{1}, \bar{4}, \bar{7}\}$  in  $U(9)$  is
- (a) Not a subgroup of  $U(9)$  (b) Is a subgroup of  $U(9)$   
(c) Is a cyclic subgroup of  $U(9)$  (d) None of these.
14.  $\{\sigma \in S_6 : \sigma(6) = 1\}$  in  $S_6$  is
- (a) Not a subgroup of  $S_6$  (b) Is a subgroup of  $S_6$   
(c) Is a cyclic subgroup of  $S_6$  (d) None of these.
15. If a group  $G$  has only one element  $a$  of order  $n$ , then which of the following is true;
- (i)  $a \in Z(G)$  (ii)  $n = 2$  (iii)  $a$  is inverse of itself  
(a) Only (i) (b) Only (ii) and (iii)  
(c) All the three (d) None of these.

### Descriptive Questions

1. In each case, determine whether  $H$  is a subgroup of the group  $G$  under usual operation.
- (a)  $H = \{3n | n \in \mathbb{Z}\}, G = \mathbb{Z}$   
(b)  $H = \{n | n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } n \geq 0\}, G = \mathbb{Z}$   
(c)  $H = \{n | n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } |n| \geq 1\}, G = \mathbb{Z}$   
(d)  $H = \{(m, n) | m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } m + n \text{ is even}\}, G = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .  
(e)  $H = \{1, -1, 0\}, G = \mathbb{Z}$ .  
(f)  $H = \{[0], [2], [4], [6]\}, G = \mathbb{Z}_8$ .
2. In each case, determine whether  $H$  is a subgroup of the group  $\mathbb{R}^* = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ .
- (a)  $H = \{1, -1\}$   
(b)  $H =$ the set of all positive real numbers.  
(c)  $H =$ the set of all positive integers.  
(d)  $H = \{a + b\sqrt{3} \in \mathbb{R}^* | a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$
3. Let  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  denote the group of all nonsingular  $2 \times 2$  matrices with real entries. In each case, determine whether  $S$  is a subgroup of the group  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$
- (a)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid ad - bc = 1 \right\}^2$

(b)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$

(c)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid b \text{ is nonzero} \right\}$ .

(d)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid ad > 0 \right\}$

(e)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid a^2 + b^2 \neq 0 \right\}$

(f)  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in GL(2, \mathbb{R}) \mid a \neq 0 \right\}$

(g)  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$  is a group under addition of  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

Let  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, a + b + c + d = 0 \right\}$ . Prove  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(h) Let  $G = GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ . Let  $H = \{A \in G \mid \det A = 2^n \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . Prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(i) Let  $G = GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  and  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & b \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a \neq 0, b \neq 0 \right\}$ . Prove or disprove:  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(j) Let  $G = GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $H = \{A \in G \mid \det A \in Q\}$ . prove or disprove:  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(k) Show  $H_3(\mathbb{R}) = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & z \\ 0 & 1 & y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is a subgroup of  $GL_3(\mathbb{R})$  called Heisenberg Group.

4. Let  $\mathbb{R}^*$  be the group of non-zero real numbers under multiplication and let  $H = \{H \in \mathbb{R}^* \mid x^2 \in Q\}$ . Prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^*$ .

5. Show that the set  $H = \{a + ib \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid a^2 + b^2 = 1\}$  is a subgroup of  $(\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot)$  where  $\cdot$  is the usual multiplication of complex numbers.

6. If  $G$  is a Abelian group, then prove that  $H = \{a^2 \mid a \in G\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

7. If  $G$  is a Abelian group, then prove that  $H = \{a \in G \mid a^2 = e\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

8. Let  $K$  be a subgroup of a group  $G$  and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $K$ . Is it true that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ ? Justify.

9. Let  $G$  be group and  $a \in G$ . Show that  $H = \{a^{2n} : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

10. Let  $G$  be a Abelian group. Prove that the set  $H$  of all elements of finite order in  $G$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

11. Let  $G$  be a Abelian group. Prove that the subset  $H = \{a \in G \mid o(a) \text{ divides } 10\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

12. In the group  $S_3$ , Show that the subset  $H = \{a \in S_3 \mid o(a) \text{ divides } 2\}$  is not a subgroup.

13. Let  $G$  be a group. Prove that if  $G$  has finitely many subgroups, then  $G$  is finite.

14. Does there exist an infinite group with only a finite number of subgroups? If yes, give example.

15. Let  $G$  be an Abelian group and  $n$  be a fixed positive integer. Let  $G^n = \{g^n | g \in G\}$ . Prove that  $G^n$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
16. Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}$  under addition. Let  $K = \{2^a | a \in H\}$ . Prove that  $K$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^*$  under multiplication.
17.  $G$  is a group of functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^*$  under point wise multiplication.  
Let  $H = \{f \in G | f(1) = 1\}$ . Prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
18. Let  $H = \{a + bi | a, b \in \mathbb{R}, ab \geq 0\}$ . Prove or disprove:  $H$  is a subgroup of  $\mathbb{C}$  under addition.
19. In the symmetric group  $S_3$ , show that  $H = \{e, (23)\}$  and  $K = \{e, (12)\}$  are subgroups but  $H \cup K$  is not a subgroup of  $S_3$ .

**Practical 2.4**

**Properties of Cyclic group**

1. Suppose  $G$  is a cyclic group such that  $G$  has exactly three subgroups viz.  $G$ ,  $\{e\}$  and a subgroup of order 5. Then the order of  $G$  is  
(a) 5 (b) 10 (c) 25 (d) 125
2. The number of elements of order 5 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{1000}$  is  
(a) 1 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) none of these
3. Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of infinite order. Then the number of elements of finite order in  $G$  is  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 5 (d) 0
4. The number of generators of an infinite cyclic group is  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 0 (d) infinite
5. The number of elements of order 5 in the cyclic group of order 25 is  
(a) 1 (ii) 2 (iii) 5 (iv) none of these
6. Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = 24$  then  $\langle a^{21} \rangle \cap \langle a^{10} \rangle$  has order  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
7. The number of subgroups of  $(\mathbb{Z}_{20}, +)$  is  
(a) 6 (b) 5 (c) 3 (d) 2
8.  $G$  is a cyclic group having exactly 3 subgroups namely  $G$  itself,  $\{e\}$  and a subgroup of order 7. Then order of  $G$  is  
(a) 14 (b) 49 (c)  $7p$  where  $p$  is any prime (d) cannot say
9. The total number of elements of order 8 in  $(\mathbb{Z}_{80,00,000}, +)$  is  
(a) 8 (b) 10,00,000 (c) 4 (d) None of the above
10. Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = o(a^2)$ , then  $o(a)$  is  
(a) even (b) odd (c) a prime (d) None of the above
11. Let  $G$  be an infinite cyclic group generated by  $\alpha$ . The generators of  $\langle \alpha^3 \rangle$  are  
(a)  $\alpha^3, \alpha^2$  (b)  $\alpha^3, \alpha^{-3}$  (c)  $\alpha^3, \alpha^m$  where  $(m, 3) = 1$  (d)  $\alpha^3, \alpha^p$  where  $p$  is prime
12. Consider the subgroup  $H$  generated by  $\bar{3}$  of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +)$ , then the number of generators of  $H$  is  
(a) 4 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4
13. Let  $G = \{\bar{4}, \bar{8}, \bar{12}, \bar{16}\}$  under multiplication modulo 20. Then  
(a)  $G$  is cyclic and  $G = \langle \bar{4} \rangle$  (b)  $G$  is not cyclic  
(c)  $G$  is cyclic and  $G = \langle \bar{8} \rangle$  (d) None of the above

14. Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  and order of  $G$  be 40. Then the elements of order 10 in  $G$  are  
 (a)  $a^4, a^8, a^{12}, a^{16}$  (b)  $a^4, a^{12}, a^{28}, a^{36}$  (c)  $a^4, a^{16}, a^{24}, a^{32}$  (d)  $a^4, a^8, a^{24}, a^{28}$
15. The generators of  $20\mathbb{Z} \cap 30\mathbb{Z}$  are  
 (a) 60, -60 (b) 10, -10 (c) 20, 30 (d) None of the above
16. Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$  such that  $O(\langle a^5 \rangle) = 12 = O(\langle a^4 \rangle)$ . Then possible orders of ' $a$ ' are  
 (a) 20 (b) 12 or 60 (c) 24 (d) None of these
17. Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order  $n$  generated by ' $a$ ' then  $\langle a^r \rangle = \langle a^s \rangle$  implies  
 (a)  $(r, s) = 1$  (b)  $s = (n, r)$  (c)  $(n, r) = (n, s)$  (d)  $r/(n, s)$
18. If  $G$  is a cyclic group of order 11, then number of generators of  $G$  is  
 (a) 2 (b) 10 (c) 11 (d) None of the above
19. Let  $n =$  Number of elements of order 4 in  $(\mathbb{Z}_{4k}, +)$  and  $m =$  Number of elements of order 4 in  $(\mathbb{Z}_{8k}, +)$  ( $k$  is a positive number). Then  
 (a)  $m = 2n$  (b)  $m = n^2$  (c)  $m < n$  (d)  $m = n$
20. Let  $H$  be the subgroup of  $(\mathbb{Z}_{156}, +)$  generated by the set  $\{\overline{56}, \overline{84}\}$ . Then  $H$  is generated by  
 (a)  $\overline{152}$  (b)  $\overline{153}$  (c)  $\overline{154}$  (d) None of the above
21. Every proper subgroup of  $S_3$  is  
 (a) cyclic (b) non-abelian (c) of order 3 (d) of order 2
22. The number of elements of order 5 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$  is  
 (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 5
23. The number of elements of order 10 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  is  
 (a) 4 (b) 10 (c) 5 (d) 0
24. Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = 20$ , then  $o(a^4)$  is  
 (a) 15 (b) 5 (c) 12 (d) 20
25. If  $H_1 = \langle \overline{20} \rangle$  and  $H_2 = \langle \overline{15} \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{30}$  under addition modulo 30, then  
 (a)  $|H_1| = 10$  and  $|H_2| = 15$  (b)  $|H_1| = 3$  and  $|H_2| = 2$   
 (c)  $|H_1| = 5$  and  $|H_2| = 3$  (d) None of these.
26. If  $H_1 = \langle \overline{3} \rangle$  and  $H_2 = \langle \overline{15} \rangle$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}$  under addition modulo 18, then  
 (a)  $|H_1| = 6$  and  $|H_2| = 6$  (b)  $|H_1| = 6$  and  $|H_2| = 5$   
 (c)  $|H_1| = 15$  and  $|H_2| = 3$  (d) None of these.
27. Suppose  $G$  is a cyclic group and  $o(G) = 24$ . If for some  $a \in G$   $a^8 \neq e$  and  $a^{12} \neq e$  then  
 (a)  $G = \langle a \rangle$  (b)  $G = \langle a^4 \rangle$   
 (c)  $\langle a \rangle$  is a proper subgroup of  $G$ . (d) None of these.

28. If  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , then the generator of  $\langle m \rangle \cap \langle n \rangle$  is
- (a)  $mn$                       (b)  $\gcd(m, n)$                       (c)  $\text{lcm}(m, n)$                       (d) None of these.
29. Let  $p$  be prime. If a group  $G$  has more than  $p - 1$  elements of order  $p$ , then
- (a)  $G$  is cyclic                      (b)  $G$  is not cyclic  
(c)  $G$  has a unique subgroup of order  $p$ .                      (d) None of these.

### Descriptive Questions

- 1) Show that the groups  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot)$  are not cyclic where  $\mathbb{Q}^* = \mathbb{Q} - \{0\}$  and  $+, \cdot$  are usual addition, multiplication respectively.
- 2) List (i) all generators      (ii) all subgroups of the cyclic group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +)$ .
- 3) List (i) all generators      (ii) all subgroups of the cyclic group  $\langle a \rangle$  of order 16.
- 4) Let  $U(n) = \{\bar{x} \mid x \in \mathbb{N}, (x, n) = 1, 1 \leq x \leq n\}$  under multiplication modulo  $n$ . Determine which of the following groups are cyclic. Justify your answer.  
(i)  $U(4)$       (ii)  $U(5)$       (iii)  $U(7)$       (iv)  $U(8)$
- 5) Show that the group  $U(2^n)$  is not cyclic if  $n > 2$ .
- 6) Prove that  $H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mid n \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$  is a cyclic subgroup of  $GL_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
- 7) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$ . If  $O(a) = 12, O(b) = 22$ , and  $\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle \neq \{e\}$  then show that  $a^6 = b^{11}$ .
- 8) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group. If  $6 \mid O(G)$  and  $a$  is an element of order 6 in  $G$  then list all elements of order 6 in  $G$  and justify your answer.
- 9) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order 18 generated by 'a'. List  
(i) all subgroups of  $G$       (ii) all generators of each subgroup of  $G$ .
- 10) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order 144 generated by  $a$ . State orders of the following elements  $a^5, a^8, a^{13}, a^{20}, a^{21}, a^{95}, a^{101}$ . (Mention the result used)
- 11) Prove or disprove: In a cyclic group  $G$  generated by 'a'  
 $O(b^2) = O(c^2) \Rightarrow O(b) = O(c)$  where  $b, c \in G$ .
- 12) Show that the 7<sup>th</sup> roots of unity form a cyclic group. Find all generators of this group.
- 13) Show that the cyclic group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  has only two generators.

- 14) Show that the every positive integer  $n$ , the  $n$ th roots of unity form a cyclic group.
- 15) Show that  $(\mathbb{Q}^+, \cdot)$ ,  $(\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot)$ ,  $(\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot)$ ,  $(\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$ ,  $(\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot)$  are not cyclic group.
- 16) Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  be a cyclic group of order 20. Find all distinct elements of the subgroups  
(i)  $\langle a^4 \rangle$  (ii)  $\langle a^7 \rangle$ .
- 17) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order 42. Find the number of elements of order 6 and the number of elements of order 7 in  $G$ .
- 18) Prove or disprove that every non Abelian group has a nontrivial cyclic subgroup.
- 19) Prove or disprove:  $G = \{(1, 1), (1, -1), (-1, 1), (-1, -1)\}$  is a group under the operation  
 $(a, b)(c, d) = (ac, bd)$  but not a cyclic group.
- 20) Let  $a$  and  $b$  be elements of a group. If  $o(a) = 10$  and  $o(b) = 21$ . Show that  $\langle a \rangle \cap \langle b \rangle = \{e\}$ .

**Practical No : 2.5**  
**Cosets and Lagrange's Theorem**  
**Objective Questions**

- (1) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $a \in G$ .  $aH = H$  if and only if
- (a)  $a \notin H$  (b)  $a \in H$   
(c)  $a^{-1} \notin H$  (d) None of these
- (2) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $a, b \in G$ .  $aH = bH$  if and only if
- (a)  $a \in H$  (b)  $ab \in H$   
(c)  $a^{-1}b \in H$  (d) None of these
- (3) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $a, b \in G$ . If  $aH \neq bH$  then
- (a)  $aH \cap bH = \phi$  (b)  $aH \cap bH \neq \phi$   
(c)  $aH \subset bH$  (d) None of these
- (4) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Which of the following statements are true
- (i)  $a \notin aH$   
(ii)  $|aH| = |bH| \quad \forall a, b \in G$   
(iii)  $aH = Ha$  if and only if  $H = aHa^{-1}$
- (a) (i) and (ii) (b) (ii) and (iii)  
(c) (i) and (iii) (d) Only (ii)
- (5) Let  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $H = 5\mathbb{Z}$ . Then the following pair of left cosets are not equal. Then
- (a)  $11 + 5\mathbb{Z}$  and  $-39 + 5\mathbb{Z}$ . (b)  $11 + 5\mathbb{Z}$  and  $-25 + 5\mathbb{Z}$   
(c)  $11 + 5\mathbb{Z}$  and  $-34 + 5\mathbb{Z}$ . (d) None of these.
- (6) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $a \in G$ .  $aH$  is a subgroup of  $G$  if and only if
- (a)  $a \notin H$  (b)  $a \in H$   
(c)  $a^{-1} \notin H$  (d) None of these
- (7) If  $G = \mathbb{Z}$  with addition and  $H = \{0, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9, \dots\}$  then which of the following is true
- (a)  $11 + H = 17 + H$  (b)  $11 + H = 17 + H$   
(c)  $7 + H = 23 + H$  (d)  $H = 2 + H$

- (8) The left cosets of  $H = \{1, 11\}$  in  $U(30)$  are
- (a)  $7 + H, 13 + H, 19 + H$  (b)  $7 + H, 13 + H, 23 + H$   
(c)  $H, 1 + H, 29 + H$  (d) None of these
- (9) Suppose  $a$  has order 20, then number of cosets of  $\langle a^5 \rangle$  in  $\langle a \rangle$  is
- (a) 3 (b) 5  
(c) 4 (d) None of these
- (10) Let  $G = \mathbb{C}^*$  under multiplication and  $H = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |z| = 1\}$ , then cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  are
- (a)  $\{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |z| = k\} \forall k \in \mathbb{R}^+$  (b)  $\{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |z \cdot w| = 1\} \forall w \in \mathbb{C}^*$   
(c)  $\{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |z + w| = 1\} \forall w \in \mathbb{C}^*$  (d) None of these
- (11) Let  $K$  be a proper subgroup of  $H$  and  $H$  be proper subgroup of  $G$ . If  $|K| = 42$  and  $|G| = 420$ , what are the possible orders of  $H$ ?
- (a) 84, 210 (b) Only 84  
(c) Only 210 (d) None of these
- (12) If  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{17}$  then how many solutions does  $x^{16} = \bar{1}$  has in  $G$
- (a) 16 (b) 15  
(c) 17 (d) None of these
- (13) If  $G = GL(2, \mathbb{R})$  and  $H = SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  then for any matrix  $A$  in  $G$ , the coset  $AH$  is
- (a) The set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with the same determinant as  $A$   
(b) The set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with determinant equal to 1  
(c) The set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices with determinant equal to -1  
(d) None of these
- (14) If  $G$  is a non-abelian group of order 10 then  $G$  has how many elements of order 2
- (a) 5 (b) 6  
(c) 4 (d) None of these
- (15) Order of  $U(n)$  for  $n > 2$  is
- (a) Even (b) Odd  
(c)  $n-1$  (d) None of these

- (16)  $H$  and  $K$  be a subgroups of a group  $G$ . If  $|H| = 12$  and  $|K| = 35$ . Find  $|H \cap K|$
- (a) 2 (b) 1  
(c) 3 (d) None of these
- (17) Let  $G$  be a group of order 25. Which of the following is true
- (a)  $G$  is cyclic (b)  $g^5 = e$  for all  $g$  in  $G$   
(c)  $G$  is cyclic or  $g^5 = e$  for all  $g$  in  $G$  (d) None of these
- (18) Number of cosets of  $\mathbb{Z}$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\left| \frac{p}{q} + \mathbb{Z} \right|$  is
- (a) Finite, infinite (b) Infinite, infinite  
(c) Infinite, finite (d) None of these
- (19) Let  $|G| = 8$  then
- (a)  $G$  must have an element of order 2  
(b)  $G$  must have an element of order 4  
(c)  $G$  may not have an element of order 2  
(d) None of these
- (20) Which of the following is true
- (a) Every odd ordered subgroup of  $D_n$  is cyclic  
(b) Every subgroup of  $D_n$  is cyclic  
(c) Only one subgroup of  $D_n$  is cyclic  
(d) None of these
- (21) Let  $G = S_3$  and consider the subgroup  $H = \{I, (12)\}$  of  $G$ . Then
- (a) Every left coset of  $H$  in  $G$  is also a right coset.  
(b)  $[G:H] = 3$  and two left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$  are also right cosets.  
(c) No left coset except  $H$  itself is a right coset of  $H$  in  $G$ .  
(d) None of the above.

- (22) Suppose  $G$  has subgroups of order 45 and 75. If  $|G| < 400$ , then  $|G|$  is
- (a) 90 (b) 150  
(c) 225 (d) None of this
- (23) Let  $G$  be an abelian group of order 12. If  $a, b \in G$  and order of  $a$  is 4 and order of  $b$  is 6 then order of  $ab$  is
- (a) 2 (b) 4  
(c) 6 (d) 12

### Descriptive Questions

- (1) Let  $H = \{0, \pm 3, \pm 6, \pm 9, \dots\}$ . Find all the left cosets of  $H$  in  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
- (2) Find all distinct left cosets of the subgroup  $H$  in the group  $G$ .
- (a)  $H = \{1, -1\}, G = (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \cdot)$ .  
(b)  $H = 7\mathbb{Z}, G = \mathbb{Z}$   
(c)  $H = \{e, (23)\}, G = S_3$ .  
(d)  $H = \{e, (1\ 2\ 3), (1\ 3\ 2)\}, G = S_3$ .
- (3) Let  $H = \{(1), (12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(23)\}$ . Find the left cosets of  $H$  in  $A_4$ .
- (4) Find all of the left cosets of  $\{1, 11\}$  in  $U(30)$ .
- (5) In the multiplicative group  $\mathbb{C}^*$ , describe geometrically the coset  $(2 + 3i)H$  of the subgroup  $H = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |z| = 1\}$ .
- (6) Let  $G = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$  be the group under binary operation  $*$  defined by  $(a, b) * (c, d) = (a + c, b + d)$ . Let  $H = \{(a, 5a) : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Show that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Describe the left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ . Describe this subgroup and its cosets geometrically.
- (7) Show that the set of all left cosets of the subgroup  $8\mathbb{Z}$  in the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  is given by  $\mathcal{L} = \{x + 8\mathbb{Z} \mid x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 7\}$ .
- (8) Determine whether or not the following cosets of the subgroup  $H = 5\mathbb{Z}$  in the group  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  are equal:
- (i)  $-1 + H$  and  $5 + H$   
(ii)  $3 + H$  and  $2 + H$
- (9) Show that the set  $\mathcal{L}$  of all left cosets of  $\mathbb{Z}$  in the additive group  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$  of all real numbers is given by  $\mathcal{L} = \{x + \mathbb{Z} \mid 0 \leq x < 1\}$ .

- (10) Let  $G$  be a group of order  $pq$  where  $p$  and  $q$  are prime integers. Show that every subgroup  $H \neq G$  is a cyclic subgroup.
- (11) Find all subgroups of Klein's four group.
- (12) Prove that every proper subgroup of  $S_3$  is cyclic.
- (13) Prove that every group of order 4 is an Abelian group.
- (14) Prove that every group of order 49 contains a subgroup of order 7.
- (15) If a group  $G$  has only two subgroups, then prove that  $G$  is a cyclic group.
- (16) Let  $G$  be a group. If a subset  $A$  is a left coset of some subgroup of  $G$ , then show that  $A$  is a right coset of some subgroup of  $G$ .
- (17) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two subgroups of a group  $G$ . If  $|A| = p$ , a prime integer, then show that either  $A \cap B = \{e\}$  or  $A \subseteq B$ .
- (18) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of  $G$ . Show that  $(H \cap K)x = Hx \cap Kx$  for all  $x \in G$ .
- (19) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of  $G$ . Let  $a, b \in G$ . Show that either  $Ha \cap Kb = \emptyset$  or  $Ha \cap Kb = (H \cap K)c$  for some  $c \in G$ .
- (20) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of  $G$  of finite indices. Show that  $H \cap K$  is of finite index.
- (21) Give an example of a group  $G$  and a subgroup  $H$  of  $G$ , such that  $aH = bH$  but  $Ha \neq Hb$  for some  $a, b \in G$ .

**Practical No : 2.6**  
**Group Homomorphism, Isomorphism and Automorphism**  
**Objective Questions**

- (1) Let  $\varphi: C^* \rightarrow C^*$  given by  $\varphi(x) = x^4$  be a homomorphism then  $\ker\varphi =$
- (a)  $\{1, -1\}$  (b)  $\{1, -1, i, -i\}$   
(c)  $\{i, -i\}$  (d) None of these
- (2) Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{Z}_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{12}$  given by  $\varphi(x) = 3x$  be a homomorphism then  $\ker\varphi =$
- (a)  $\{\bar{0}, \bar{1}\}$  (b)  $\{\bar{0}, \bar{4}, \bar{8}\}$   
(c)  $\{\bar{0}, \bar{4}\}$  (d) None of these
- (3) Number of homomorphisms from  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_{30}$  is
- (a) 6 (b) 7  
(c) 8 (d) None of these
- (4) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order 7 and  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $\varphi(x) = x^4$  then
- (a)  $\varphi$  is not a group homomorphism  
(b)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism which is not one-one  
(c)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism which is not onto  
(d) None of these
- (5) Suppose  $\varphi: \mathbb{Z}_{30} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{30}$  is a group homomorphism and  $\ker\varphi = \{\bar{0}, \bar{10}, \bar{20}\}$ . If  $\varphi(\bar{23}) = \bar{9}$  then the elements that map to  $\bar{9}$  are
- (a)  $\bar{3}, \bar{13}, \bar{23}$  (b)  $\bar{3}, \bar{23}$   
(c)  $\bar{13}, \bar{23}$  (d) None of these
- (6) Let  $G$  be a subgroup of some dihedral group. Define  $\varphi: G \rightarrow \{1, -1\}$
- $$\varphi(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is a rotation} \\ -1 & \text{if } x \text{ is a reflection} \end{cases} \text{ then } \ker\varphi =$$
- (a) A subgroup containing only reflections.  
(b) A subgroup containing only reflections and rotations.  
(c) A subgroup containing only rotations.  
(d) None of these

- (7) How many homomorphisms are there from  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$  onto  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  ?
- (a) 4 (b) 5  
(c) 10 (d) None of these
- (8) Which of the following statements is true.
- (a)  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$  and  $V_4$  (Klein's 4 group) are isomorphic. (b)  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $\mu_4$  (The group of fourth roots of unity) are isomorphic.  
(c)  $V_4$  and  $\mu_4$  are isomorphic (d) None of these
- (9) Let  $Q_8$  be quaternion group  $\{\pm 1, \pm i, \pm j, \pm k\}$  where  $i^2 = j^2 = -1, ij = k = -ji$ . Consider the map  $\varphi: Q_8 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$  defined by  $\varphi(i) = \bar{0}, \varphi(j) = \bar{1}$  then
- (a)  $\varphi$  is not a group homomorphism  
(b)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism and  $\ker\varphi = \{1, i\}$   
(c)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism and  $\ker\varphi = \{-i, i\}$   
(d) None of these
- (10) Suppose for each prime  $p$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  is the homomorphic image of a group  $G$ . What can we say about  $|G|$  ?
- (a) finite (b) infinite  
(c) prime (d) None of these
- (11) Let  $G$  be an abelian group which has no element of order 2 and  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $\varphi(x) = x^2$ , then
- (a)  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $G$ .  
(b)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism which may not be one-one.  
(c)  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $G$  if  $G$  is finite.  
(d)  $\varphi$  is not a group homomorphism.
- (12) Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{Z}_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  given by  $\varphi(x) = 3x$
- (a)  $\varphi$  is not a group homomorphism  
(b)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism which is not one-one  
(c)  $\varphi$  is a group homomorphism which is not onto  
(d) None of these

- (13) Consider the group  $G$ , where  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R}, a \neq 0 \right\}$  under multiplication of  $2 \times 2$  matrices. then
- (a)  $G$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ .
  - (b)  $G$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{R}^*, +)$
  - (c)  $G$  is isomorphic to  $(SL_2(\mathbb{R}), +)$
  - (d) None of these
- (14) Let  $U(16)$  denote the group of prime residue classes modulo 16 under multiplication. Which of the following statements are false?
- (a)  $\varphi_1: U(16) \rightarrow U(16)$  defined by  $\varphi_1(x) = x^3$  is a group automorphism.
  - (b)  $\varphi_2: U(16) \rightarrow U(16)$  defined by  $\varphi_2(x) = x^5$  is a group automorphism.
  - (c)  $\varphi_3: U(16) \rightarrow U(16)$  defined by  $\varphi_3(x) = x^9$  is a group automorphism.
  - (d)  $\varphi_4: U(16) \rightarrow U(16)$  defined by  $\varphi_4(x) = x^4$  is a group automorphism.
- (15) Let  $m$  and  $n$  be integers. Then
- (a) The groups  $(m\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(n\mathbb{Z}, +)$  are isomorphic.
  - (b) The groups  $(m\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(n\mathbb{Z}, +)$  are isomorphic if and only if  $m = -n$ .
  - (c) The groups  $(m\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(n\mathbb{Z}, +)$  are not isomorphic if  $m \neq n$ .
  - (d) The groups  $(m\mathbb{Z}, +)$  and  $(n\mathbb{Z}, +)$  are isomorphic for all non-zero integers  $m$  and  $n$ .
- (16) The map  $f: GL_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow GL_2(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $f(A) = (A^t)^{-1}$  is
- (a) not a group homomorphism.
  - (b) group homomorphism and  $\ker f = SL_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
  - (c) group homomorphism and  $\ker f = O_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
  - (d) a group automorphism
- (17) The number of group homomorphism from  $S_3$  to  $(\mathbb{Z}_3, +)$  is
- (a) 1
  - (b) 0
  - (c) 3
  - (d) 2

- (18) The number of group automorphism of  $V_4$  (Klein's four group) is
- (a) 4 (b) 2  
(c) 3 (d) 6
- (19) Let  $G$  be an abelian group of order  $n$ . The map  $\varphi: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $\varphi(x) = x^m$  where  $m$  is a positive integer is
- (a) a group homomorphism if and only if  $m, n$  are relatively prime.  
(b) a group homomorphism and  $\ker f = \{x \in G : x^d = e\}$  where  $d = \text{gcd}(m, n)$   
(c) a group homomorphism and  $\ker f$  has order  $m$ .  
(d) None of these.
- (20) The number of onto homomorphisms from  $S_3$  to  $V_4$  are
- (a) 1 (b) 0  
(c) 2 (d) 3

### Descriptive Questions

- (1) Show that the following are group homomorphism. In each case find Kernel and check if it is an isomorphism
- (i)  $f: GL_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$  defined by  $f(A) = \det A$ .  
(ii)  $f: U(5) \rightarrow U(5)$  defined by  $f(x) = x^2$ .  
(iii)  $f: (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^2, \cdot)$  defined by  $f(x) = e^x$ .  
(iv)  $f: (\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot)$  defined by  $f(z) = |z|$ .
- (2) Let  $f: S_n \rightarrow \{1, -1\}$  be given by  $f(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an even permutation} \\ -1 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an odd permutation} \end{cases}$  is a homomorphism where  $\{1, -1\}$  is group under multiplication. Also find Kerf.
- (3) Let  $G$  be a group  $a \in G$  be non-identity. Show that  $f: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $f(x) = a^{-1}x a$  is an automorphism
- (4) Check whether the following pairs of groups are isomorphic or not
- (i)  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Q}^+, \cdot)$   
(ii)  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot)$

- (iii)  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$
- (iv)  $(\mathbb{Q}^*, \cdot)$  and  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$
- (5) (i) Show that the group  $U(8)$  is not isomorphic to the group  $U(10)$  but  $U(8)$  is isomorphic  $U(12)$ .
- (6) Prove or disprove that  $U(20)$  and  $U(24)$  are isomorphic groups.
- (7) Show that the group  $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  under multiplication of  $2 \times 2$  matrices is isomorphic to Klien's four group where  $V_4 = \{e, a, b, c\}, a^2 = b^2 = e, ab = ba = c$ .
- (8) How many homomorphism are there from  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}_8$ ? How are of them are onto homomorphisms?
- (9) Find a homomorphism  $\varphi: U(30) \rightarrow U(30)$  such that  $\ker \varphi = \{\bar{1}, \overline{11}\}$  and  $\varphi(\bar{7}) = \bar{7}$ .
- (10) Suppose  $\varphi: U(30) \rightarrow U(30)$  is a group homomorphism and  $\ker \varphi = \{\bar{1}, \overline{11}\}$ . If  $\varphi(\bar{7}) = \bar{7}$  then find all other elements of  $U(30)$  that map to  $\bar{7}$ .
- (11) Show that  $G$  is Abelian if and only if  $f: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $f(x) = x^2$  is a homomorphism.
- (12) Show that  $G$  is Abelian if and only if  $f: G \rightarrow G$  given by  $f(x) = x^{-1}$  is a homomorphism.
- (13) Show that there does not exit any non-zero homomorphism of the group  $S_3$  to the group  $\mathbb{Z}_3$  under addition modulo 3.
- (14) Let  $f, g: G \rightarrow G'$  be a group homomorphism and  $H = \{x \in G : f(x) = g(x)\}$ . Prove or disprove  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
- (15) Show that the mapping  $\varphi: (\mathbb{C}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, +)$  given by  $\varphi(a + bi) = a - bi$  is an automorphism.
- (16) Let  $G = \{a + b\sqrt{2} : a, b \text{ are rationals}\}$  and  $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 2b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \text{ are rationals} \right\}$ . Show that  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic under addition.  
Does your isomorphism preserve multiplication as well as addition?
- (17) Suppose that  $G$  is finite group and that  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  is a homomorphic image of  $G$ . What can be said about  $o(G)$ ?
- (18) Suppose that  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_{15}$  are both homomorphism images of a finite group  $G$ . What can be said about  $o(G)$ ?

## Practical 2.7 Unitwise Theory Questions

### Unit I : Groups and Subgroups

- (1) Let  $G$  be a group. Then prove that
  - i) Identity element of  $G$  is unique.
  - ii) Inverse of an element in  $G$  is unique.
  - iii) Cancellation laws holds in  $G$ ; that is,  $ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$  and  $ba = ca \Rightarrow b = c$  for all  $a, b, c \in G$ .
  - iv)  $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a$  for all  $a \in G$ .
  - v)  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$  for all  $a, b \in G$ .
  - vi)  $(aba^{-1})^n = ab^n a^{-1}$  for all  $a, b \in G$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (2) Define Abelian group. Show that a group  $G$  is Abelian in each of the following cases,
  - i)  $(ab)^2 = a^2 b^2$  for all  $a, b \in G$ .
  - ii)  $a^2 = e$  or  $a^{-1} = a$  for all  $a \in G$ , where  $e$  is identity of  $G$ .
  - iii)  $(ab)^{-1} = a^{-1} b^{-1}$  for all  $a, b \in G$ . Show that converse is also true.
- (3) An element  $\bar{a} \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  has multiplicative inverse if and only if  $(a, n) = 1$ , where  $(a, n)$  denotes G.C.D of  $a$  and  $n$ .
- (4)  $(\mathbb{Z}_n^*, \cdot)$  is a group if and only if  $n$  is prime.
- (5) Define order of an element in a group  $G$ . For  $a, b \in G$ , prove that
  - i)  $o(a) = o(a^{-1})$
  - ii)  $o(a) = o(bab^{-1})$
  - iii)  $o(ab) = o(ba)$
- (6) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$  with  $o(a) = n$  then  $a^m = e$  if and only if  $n \mid m$ .
- (7) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = n$  then  $o(a^m) = \frac{n}{(m, n)}$ , where  $(m, n)$  denotes G.C.D of  $m$  and  $n$ .
- (8) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a \in G$ . If  $o(a) = mn$  then  $o(a^n) = m$
- (9) Let  $G$  be a group,  $a, b \in G$  such that  $o(a) = m$ ,  $o(b) = n$  and  $ab = ba$ . If  $(m, n) = 1$  then  $o(ab) = mn$
- (10) If  $G$  is a group of even order then show that  $G$  has an element of order 2.
- (11) Define Subgroup of a group. State and prove necessary and sufficient condition for a non-empty set to be a subgroup.
- (12) Let  $H$  be a finite subset of a group  $(G, *)$  then  $H$  is subgroup of  $G$  if and only if  $a * b \in H, \forall a, b \in H$ .
- (13) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of a group  $G$  then show that  $H \cap K$  is also a subgroup of  $G$ . Is  $H \cup K$  a subgroup of  $G$ ? Justify. Further show that intersection of family of subgroups of  $G$  is

again a subgroup of  $G$ .

- (14) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of a group  $G$  then  $H \cup K$  is also a subgroup of  $G$  if and only if either  $H \subseteq K$  or  $K \subseteq H$ .
- (15) Define Center  $Z(G)$  of a group  $G$ . Show that  $Z(G)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Further if  $G$  is Abelian group then  $Z(G) = G$ .
- (16) If  $H$  and  $K$  be subgroups of a group  $G$  then show that  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$  if and only if  $HK = KH$ .

## Unit II :Cyclic Groups and Cyclic Subgroups

- (1) Define Cyclic group and show that a cyclic group is Abelian.
- (2) Let  $G$  be a finite group then ' $a$ ' is generator of  $G$  if and only if  $o(a) = o(G)$ .
- (3) If  $G$  is infinite cyclic group then show that  $G$  has exactly two generators.  
or  
 $a$  and  $a^{-1}$  are the only generators of an infinite cyclic group.
- (4) Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group of order  $n$  generated by ' $a$ ' then  $a^m$  is also generator of  $G$  if and only if  $(m, n) = 1$ .
- (5) Show that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.
- (6) Let  $G$  be an infinite cyclic group generated by ' $a$ '. Show that  
i) Every non-trivial subgroup of  $G$  is infinite cyclic.  
ii)  $G$  has infinitely many distinct subgroups.
- (7) Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group of order  $n$  then  $G$  has unique subgroup of order  $d$  for each divisor  $d$  of  $n$ .
- (8) Show that every group of prime order  $p$  is cyclic. Further show that it has  $p - 1$  generators.
- (9) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group of order  $p^n$  and  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of  $G$  then prove that either  $H \subseteq K$  or  $K \subseteq H$ .

## Unit III :Lagrange's Theorem and Group Homomorphism

- (1) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and  $a, b \in G$  then
- (i)  $a \in aH$
- (ii)  $aH = bH$  or  $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$
- (iii)  $|aH| = |bH|$
- (iv)  $aH = Ha$  if and only if  $H = aHa^{-1}$ .

- (2) Let  $H$  is a subgroup of a group  $G$  and  $x \in G$  then  $xH = H$  (or  $Hx = H$ ) if and only if  $x \in H$ .
- (3) Let  $H$  is a subgroup of a group  $G$  and  $x, y \in G$  then
  - i)  $xH = yH$  if and only if  $x^{-1}y \in H$ .
  - ii)  $Hx = Hy$  if and only if  $xy^{-1} \in H$ .
- (4) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  is subgroup of  $G$  then show that  $aH$  is also subgroup of  $G$  if and only if  $a \in H$ .
- (5) State and prove Lagrange's theorem for a finite group.
- (6) If  $G$  has no non-trivial subgroups then show that  $G$  is cyclic group of prime order.
- (7) Let  $G$  be a group of prime order  $p$ . If  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of  $G$  then show that either  $H \cap K = \{e\}$  or  $H = K$
- (8) In a finite group, show that the order of each element of the group divides the order of the group.
- (9) Show that a group of prime order is cyclic.
- (10) Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $a \in G$ , then prove that  $a^{|G|} = e$ .
- (11) State and prove Fermat's Little theorem.
- (12) Define Kernel of a group homomorphism. If  $f: G \rightarrow G'$  is group homomorphism then show that  $\text{Ker}f$  is subgroup of  $G$ . Further  $f$  is injective if and only if  $\text{ker}f = \{e\}$ .
- (13) Let  $f: G \rightarrow G'$  is onto group homomorphism. Prove that
  - i) If  $H$  is subgroup of  $G$  then  $f(H) = \{f(h) : h \in H\}$  is subgroup of  $G'$ .
  - ii) If  $H'$  is subgroup of  $G'$  then  $f^{-1}(H') = \{a \in G : f(a) \in H'\}$  is subgroup of  $G$  and  $\text{ker}f \subseteq f^{-1}(H')$ .
- (14) Define automorphism of groups. Let  $a \in G$ , show that  $f_a: G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $f_a(x) = axa^{-1}, \forall x \in G$  is an automorphism
- (15) Let  $G$  be a group. Show that  $f: G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $f(x) = x^{-1}, \forall x \in G$  is an automorphism if and only if  $G$  is Abelian.
- (16) Let  $G$  be an Abelian group of order  $n$  and  $(m, n) = 1, m \in \mathbb{Z}$  then show that  $f: G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $f(x) = x^m, \forall x \in G$  is an automorphism.