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Typesetting with L^AT_EX

1. [5 pts.] Choose the correct list of special characters in L^AT_EX. Just write the letter corresponding to the list in the blank below.

- A. # \$ % ^ & _ { } ~ \
- B. \$ % ^ & * _ { } ~ \
- C. # \$ % ^ & _ { } * \
- D. # \$ % ^ & _ { } ~ +

1. **A**

2. [10 pts.] Write the L^AT_EX code which generates the following table in the box below:

number	English	Spanish
1	one	uno
2	two	dos

Solution:

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\begin{tabular}{ccl}
  number & English & Spanish \\
\hline
  1 & one & uno \\
  2 & two & dos \\
\end{tabular}
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3. [10 pts.] Write the L^AT_EX code which generates the following equation in the box below. You may assume that the `amsmath` package has been loaded.

$$\sqrt[3]{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2 + \sqrt{3}}} \quad (1)$$

Solution:

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\begin{equation}
  \sqrt[3]{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt[3]{2 + \sqrt{3}}}
\end{equation}
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Symmetries and Groups of Symmetries

For the next few questions, let $\{R_0, R_{120}, R_{240}, F_1, F_2, F_3\}$ be the set of symmetries of the equilateral triangle.

4. [5 pts.] $R_{240} \circ F_2 \circ R_{120} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}?$

4. $\underline{\hspace{2cm} F_1 \hspace{2cm}}$

5. [5 pts.] Solve the following equation for X :

$$R_{240} \circ X \circ F_3 = R_0$$

5. $\underline{\hspace{2cm} F_2 \hspace{2cm}}$

6. [5 pts.] How can you generate F_1 via the two generators F_2 and F_3 ? In other words, what string of flips consisting only of F_2 and F_3 is equivalent to F_1 ? There is more than one correct answer, and short answers are appreciated.

6. $\underline{\hspace{2cm} F_2 \circ F_3 \circ F_2 \hspace{2cm}}$

7. [5 pts.] Write the following permutation given in tabular notation in cycle notation. That is, write it as a product of disjoint cycles.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & 4 & 1 & 6 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

7. $\underline{\hspace{2cm} (1\ 3\ 4)(2\ 7\ 5\ 6) \hspace{2cm}}$

8. Multiply (compose) the following permutations written in cycle notation.

(a) [5 pts.] $(3\ 6\ 8)(2\ 6\ 8\ 3)(2\ 3)$

(a) $\underline{\hspace{2cm} (3\ 8\ 6) \hspace{2cm}}$

(b) [5 pts.] $(1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5\ 6)$

(b) $\underline{\hspace{2cm} (1\ 2\ 3)(4\ 5\ 6) \hspace{2cm}}$

(c) [5 pts.] $(1\ 2\ 3)(1\ 2\ 3\ 4)(1\ 3\ 2)$

(c) $\underline{\hspace{2cm} (1\ 4\ 2\ 3) \hspace{2cm}}$

9. [20 pts.] True or False. Circle one.

- (a) T F The empty set is a group. (A group must contain an identity element.)
- (b) T F The law of composition in a group must be associative. (By definition.)
- (c) T F The law of composition in a group must be commutative. (S_3)
- (d) T F A group may not be an infinite set. (\mathbb{R}^+ is an infinite group.)
- (e) T F $|S_5| = 120$. ($|S_5| = 5! = 120$)
- (f) T F If G is a group and $a \in G$, then $a^{-1} \in G$. (By definition.)
- (g) T F If G is a group and $a \in G$, then $a^{-1} \neq a$.
(The identity element is always its own inverse.)
- (h) T F In every group the identity element is unique. (Proved in the notes.)
- (i) T F According to Lagrange's theorem, if a group G has a subgroup H , then $|H|$ divides $|G|$. (G must be finite.)
- (j) T F According to Lagrange's theorem, if G is a group and $|G| = 12$, then G has a subgroup of order 4, because 4 divides 12.
(Converse of Lagrange's theorem is false.)

10. [5 pts.] If G is a group and $ab = ba$ for all $a, b \in G$, then G is called what?

10. _____ **abelian** _____

11. [5 pts.] Is the following permutation odd or even?

$$(1\ 2\ 3\ 4)$$

11. _____ **odd** _____

12. [10 pts.] Define: the kernel of a homomorphism.

Solution: The kernel of a homomorphism is the set of all elements in the domain of the homomorphism which get mapped to the identity element in the codomain.

13. [10 pts.] Let G be a group, prove that “the conjugation by g ” map $\varphi_g : G \rightarrow G$ given by $\varphi_g : a \mapsto gag^{-1}$ is a homomorphism.

Solution: Let $a, b \in G$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_g(ab) &= gabg^{-1} \\ &= ga1bg^{-1} \\ &= ga(g^{-1}g)bg^{-1} \\ &= (gag^{-1})(gbg^{-1}) \\ &= \varphi_g(a)\varphi_g(b).\end{aligned}$$

The answers below are the class averages.

14. [5 pts.] On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is extremely easy and 10 is extremely hard, how hard was this test?

14. 6.1

15. [5 pts.] On a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is completely unfair and 10 is completely fair, how fair was this test?

15. 8.0