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- (1) (20 pts) Let p be a prime number. We consider the polynomial  $f(x) = x^{p-1} + x^{p-2} + ... + 1$ .
  - (a) Prove that f(x) is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ .
  - (b) Factorize f(x) in  $\mathbb{F}_p[x]$ , where  $\mathbb{F}_p$  denotes the finite field of p elements.
- (2) (15 pts) Let G, H be finite abelian groups. Prove that  $G \times G$  and  $H \times H$  are isomorphic if and only if G and H are isomorphic.
- (3) (15 pts) Consider  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that  $0 \le a, b, c, d \le 1$ . Determine the least upper bound of the eigenvalues among all matrices of the given form.
- (4) (15 pts) Let  $\pi: G \to G'$  be a homomorphism with kernel K. Let H < G be any subgroup. Prove that  $\pi^{-1}\pi(H) = HK = KH$ .
- (5) (15 pts) Find all integers satisfying  $x^2 x 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{25}$ .
- (6) (20 pts) Construct a finite field of 343 elements. Verify your construction.

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