

1. A subgroup  $H$  of  $S_n$  is said to be *transitive* if for all  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , there exists  $\sigma \in H$  such that  $\sigma(i) = j$ .
  - (a) (10%) Prove that if  $H$  is a transitive subgroup of  $S_n$ , then  $|H|$  is divisible by  $n$ .
  - (b) (10%) Find all transitive subgroups of  $S_4$ .
2.
  - (a) (10%) Prove that every group of order 15 is cyclic.
  - (b) (10%) Show that there are exactly 4 nonisomorphic groups of order 30.
3. (a) (10%) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring. Prove that the set

$$N(R) = \{a \in R : a^n = 0 \text{ for some } n > 0\}$$

is an ideal of  $R$ .

- (b) (5%) Determine  $N(\mathbb{Z}/360\mathbb{Z})$ .
4. (15%) Prove that if  $p$  is a prime congruent to 5 or 7 modulo 8, then  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]/\langle p \rangle$  is a field, where  $\langle p \rangle$  denotes the ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-2}]$  generated by  $p$ .
5. (15%) Let  $F$  be a finite field. Prove that the product of all nonzero elements in  $F$  is equal to  $-1$ .
6. (15%) Let  $f(x)$  be an irreducible polynomial of degree 3 over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $E$  be its splitting field over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Let  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  be the three zeros of  $f(x)$  and set

$$\Delta = (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)^2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)^2(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)^2.$$

Prove that  $\text{Gal}(E/\mathbb{Q})$  is isomorphic to the cyclic group of order 3 if  $\Delta$  is a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$  (i.e.,  $\Delta = r^2$  for some  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$ ) and is isomorphic to  $S_3$  if  $\Delta$  is not a square in  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

試題隨卷繳回