

**Math 31: Abstract Algebra**  
**Fall 2018 - Quiz 2**

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**Test your knowledge**

**True false questions** (1 points each)

1. Let  $p_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 7 & 4 & 9 & 2 & 3 & 8 & 1 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$  be a permutation in  $(S_9, \circ)$ .  
Then  $p_1 = (17) \circ (24) \circ (68) \circ (395)$ .  True    False
  
2. Let  $p_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 7 & 9 & 5 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$  be a permutation in  $(S_9, \circ)$ .  
Then  $p_2 = (43517) \circ (296)$ .  True    False
  
3. Let  $p_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 9 & 8 & 7 & 4 & 3 & 6 & 5 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  be a permutation in  $(S_9, \circ)$ .  
Then  $p_3^{37} = p_3$ .  True    False
  
4. For any two cycles  $b, c \in (S_n, \circ)$  we have that  $c \circ b = b \circ c$ .  True    False
  
5. For two cycles  $a, b \in (S_n, \circ)$ , which have no number in common, we always have that  $a \circ b = b \circ a$ .  
 True    False
  
6. The set  $S_{\mathbb{R}} = \{f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ bijective}\}$  is a subgroup of  $(\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}), +)$ .  True    False
  
7. In  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$  let  $\sim$  be the relation defined by:  $f \sim g \Leftrightarrow f(3) = g(3)$ . Then  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation.  True    False
  
8. Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group and  $H$  a subgroup. For a fixed  $a \in G$  the function  $f : aH \rightarrow Ha, ah \mapsto f(ah) := ha$  is a bijective function.  True    False
  
9. Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group and  $H$  a subgroup. Then for any  $a \in G$  we have  $aHa^{-1} = H$ .  
 True    False
  
10. Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group and  $H$  a subgroup. Then if  $a \in Hb$  then  $Ha = Hb$  and if  $a \notin Hb$  then  $Ha \neq Hb$ .  True    False

**Long answer questions**

**question 1** (6 points) Write down the cosets of the subgroup  $\langle \frac{1}{3} \rangle$  generated by  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

a) For  $\langle \frac{1}{3} \rangle \leq (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot)$ .

b) For  $\langle \frac{1}{3} \rangle \leq (\mathbb{R}, +)$ .

**question 2** (4 points) Let  $(G, \cdot)$  be a group and  $H \leq G$  a subgroup and  $N \triangleleft G$  be a normal subgroup. Show that

$$H \cdot N = \{h \cdot n, h \in H, n \in N\} \text{ is a subgroup of } G.$$