

# HW 4.

(1) (i) Find all orbits of the given permutations:

$$(a) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & 2 & 1 & 6 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix} = \sigma$$

$$(b) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 & 1 & 2 & 8 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = \tau$$

(ii) Find orders of  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$ .

(iii) Express  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  as a product of disjoint cycles, and then as a product of transpositions.

(2) What is order in  $S_8$  of the

(a) cycle  $(1, 7, 3, 2)$

(b) ~~def~~  $\sigma = (3, 2)(1, 5, 7)$

(c) ~~def~~  $\tau = (1, 3)(2, 7)(3, 5, 6)$  ?

(3) Find the maximum possible order for an element of  $S_n$  for the given values of  $n$ .

(a)  $n = 4$       (b)  $n = 8$ ,      (c)  $n = 12$ .

(4) Answer each of the questions from Problem 23 in Exercises 9 of the Fraleigh's book. Justify your answers or give a reference to the corresponding statement in the book.

(5) Let  $\tau$  be the 8-cycle  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)$ . For which positive integers  $i$  is  $\tau^i$  also an 8-cycle?

(6) Find all cosets of the subgroup:

(a)  $5\mathbb{Z}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,      (b)  $15\mathbb{Z}$  of  $30\mathbb{Z}$ .

(c)  $\{s_0, \mu_1\}$  of the group  $D_4$  given by the table 8.12.

(d) Find the right cosets for (a), (b), (c). Are they the same as the left cosets?

(6) Find the index

(a) of  $\langle 5 \rangle$  in the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{60}$

(b) of  $\langle \mu_2 \rangle$  in the group  $S_3$ , using the notation of Example 10.7

(c) of  $\langle \mu_{\mathbb{Z}_2} \rangle$  in the group  $D_4$  given in Table 8.12.

(7) Answer each of the questions from Problem 19 in Exercises 10 of the Fraleigh's book. Justify your answers or give

a reference to the corresponding statement in the book.

(10) Prove that the relation  $\sim_R$  of Theorem 10.1 is an equivalence relation.

(11) Show that a group with at least two elements but with no proper nontrivial subgroups must be finite and of prime order.