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6 marks. Attempt any two parts from each question.

1. State true (T) or false (F). Justify your answer in brief :

(a)  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_3$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  where  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is used for group  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  under addition modulo  $n$ .

(b) The largest possible order of any element of external direct product  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_2$  is 36.

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- (c) If  $H$ ,  $K$  and  $L$  are normal subgroups of a group  $G$ . Then  $G$  is internal direct product of  $H$ ,  $K$  and  $L$  if  $G = HKL$  and  $H \cap K \cap L = \{e\}$  where  $e$  is identity of  $G$ .
- (d) The order of the group of inner automorphisms of additive group of integers is greater than 1.
- (e) The dihedral group  $D_8$  of order 8 is a subgroup of the symmetric group  $S_4$ .
- (f) For any two groups  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ ,  $G_1 \oplus G_2$  is isomorphic to  $G_2 \oplus G_1$ .
- (g) Let  $G$  be a non-abelian group. A map  $G \times G \rightarrow G$  is given by  $(g, a) \mapsto g \cdot a = ag$  for all  $g$  and  $a$  in  $G$ . This is an action of  $G$  on itself.
- (h) Every subgroup  $H$  of a group  $G$  of index 2 is normal in  $G$ .
- (i) If order of a group  $G$  is greater than 1, then the conjugacy action of  $G$  on itself is transitive.
- (j) In  $S_3$  the all conjugacy classes are  $\{(1\ 2), (1\ 3), (2\ 3)\}$  and  $\{(1\ 2\ 3), (1\ 3\ 2)\}$ .

2. (a) Prove that for any positive integer  $n$ ,  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n)$  is isomorphic to  $U(n)$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  is the group  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  under addition modulo  $n$  and  $U(n)$  the group of units under multiplication modulo  $n$  and  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n)$  denotes the group of automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .
- (b) Define the commutator subgroup  $G'$  of a group  $G$ . Prove that  $G/G'$  is abelian and if  $G/N$  is abelian then  $G'$  is subgroup of  $N$ .
- (c) Prove that the order of an element of a direct product of finite number of finite groups is the least common multiple of the orders of the components of the element.
3. (a) Prove that if a group  $G$  is the internal direct product of a finite number of subgroups  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n$ , then  $G$  is isomorphic to the external direct product of  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n$ .
- (b) Find all subgroups of order 4 in  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$ .
- (c) Let  $G = \{1, 7, 17, 23, 49, 55, 65, 71\}$  be the group under multiplication modulo 96. Express  $G$  as an internal direct product of cyclic groups.



4. (a) Let  $G$  be an abelian group of order 120 and  $G$  has exactly three elements of order 2. Determine the isomorphism class of  $G$ .

(b) (i) Let  $G$  be a group acting on a non-empty set  $A$ . Define kernel of action of  $G$  on  $A$  and explain when this action will be called faithful.

(ii) Consider the action of the dihedral group  $D_8$  of order 8 on the set  $A = \{\{1, 3\}, \{2, 4\}\}$  of the unordered pair of opposite vertices of a square. Show that this action is not faithful. Further, show that for either  $a \in A$  ( $a = \{1, 3\}$  or  $\{2, 4\}$ ), the stabilizer of  $a$  in  $D_8$  equals the kernel of the action.

(c) Let  $G$  be a group and  $A$  be any subset of  $G$ . Define centralizer  $C_G(A)$  and normalizer  $N_G(A)$  of  $A$  in  $G$ . Further, for the symmetric group  $S_3$  and a subgroup  $A = \{I, (1, 2)\}$  of  $S_3$ , find centralizer and normalizer of  $A$  in  $S_3$  where  $I$  denotes identity of  $S_3$ .

5. (a) Let  $G$  be a group,  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$  and let  $G$  act by left multiplication on the set  $A$  of left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ . Let  $\pi_H$  be the associated permutation representation afforded by this action. Then, show that the following hold :

(i)  $G$  acts transitively on  $A$ .

(ii) The stabilizer in  $G$  of  $I \in A$  is a subgroup of  $H$  where  $I$  is identity of  $G$ .

(iii) Kernel of  $\pi_H$  is equal to  $\bigcap_{x \in G} xHx^{-1}$  and the kernel of  $\pi_H$  is the largest normal subgroup of  $G$  contained in  $H$ .

(b) Let  $G$  be a group acting on a non-empty set  $A$  given by  $g.a$  for all  $g \in G$  and for all  $a \in A$ . If  $a, b \in A$  and  $b = g.a$ , for  $g \in G$ , then show that  $G_b = gG_a g^{-1}$ . Deduce that, if  $G$  acts transitively on  $A$ , then kernel of the action is  $\bigcap_{g \in G} gG_a g^{-1}$  where  $G_x$  denotes stabilizer of  $x$  in  $G$ .

(c) (i) State the class equation for a finite group  $G$ . Find all conjugacy classes and their sizes in the alternating group  $A_4$ .

(ii) Let  $G$  be a group of order  $p^2$  for some prime  $p$ . Show that it is isomorphic to either  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^2}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_p \times \mathbb{Z}_p$ .

6. (a) Show that for any positive integer  $n$  greater than or equal to 5, the alternating group  $A_n$  of degree  $n$  does not have a proper subgroup of index less than  $n$ .
- (b) Prove that if order of a group  $G$  is 105, then it has normal Sylow 5-subgroup and normal Sylow 7-subgroup.
- (c) State and prove the Index theorem. Hence or otherwise, show that there is no simple group of order 216.