

Show your work for each problem. You do not need to rewrite the statements of the problems on your answer sheets.

1. Let  $(1\ 2\ 4) \in S_4$ . (a) Find  $|\langle (1\ 2\ 4) \rangle|$ . (b) Find  $[S_4 : \langle (1\ 2\ 4) \rangle]$ .  
(c) Find  $\langle (1\ 2\ 4) \rangle \langle (1\ 3\ 2) \rangle$ .
2. Let  $G$  be a finite group and let  $a, b \in G$ . Prove  $o(a^{-1}ba) = o(b)$ .
3. Construct a complete subgroup lattice for  $\mathbf{Z}_{75}$ .
4. Prove  $(\mathbf{Z}_4, \oplus) \approx (\mathbf{Z}_5^\#, \odot)$ .
5. Prove or disprove:  $\mathbf{Z}_4 \times \mathbf{Z}_2 \approx \mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2 \times \mathbf{Z}_2$ .
6. Which of the following subsets  $S$  are subrings of the given rings  $R$ ?  
(a)  $R = M(2, \mathbf{Z})$  with the usual matrix addition and matrix multiplication.  
 $S = \{ M \in M(2, \mathbf{Z}) \mid \det(M) = 0 \}$   
(b)  $R = \mathbf{Z}[x]$  with the usual polynomial addition and polynomial multiplication.  
 $S = \{ p \in \mathbf{Z}[x] \mid p(0) = 0 \}$ .
7. Find the characteristic of  $R$ . (a)  $R = \mathbf{Z}_3 \times \mathbf{Z}_4$ . (b)  $R = \mathbf{Z}_3 \times \mathbf{Z}_6$ .
8. Prove: If  $a > b$  and  $b > c$ , then  $a > c$ .
9. Suppose  $\theta : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a ring isomorphism such that  $\theta(x) = x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose  $\theta$  is not the identity mapping. Prove  $\theta(i) = -i$ . (Hint: Suppose that  $\theta(i) = a + bi$  and then use the fact that  $\theta$  preserves both of the ring operations.)