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Directions: Be sure to include in-line citations, including page numbers if appropriate, every time you use the results of discussion, a text, notes, or technology. **Only write on one side of each page.** "Mathematicians do not study objects, but relations among objects; they are indifferent to the replacement

of objects by others as long as relations do not change. Matter is not important, only form interests them."

— Henri Poincaré

## **Problems**

- 1. You must do this problem.
  - (a) Prove the set Aut(G) of all automorphisms of a group G forms a group, the binary operation being the composition of functions.
  - (b) Determine the group of automorphisms of each of the following groups.
    - i. (Z, +) (also known as  $Z^+$ )
    - ii. A cyclic group of order 10.
    - iii.  $S_3$
- 2. Prove  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are conjugate elements in GL(2, R) but are not conjugate in SL(2, R).
- 3. Do **one** of the following.
  - (a) Describe all homomorphisms  $\phi:(Z,+)\to(Z,+)$ . Determine which are one-to-one, which are onto and which are isomorphisms.
  - (b) Do all of the following.
    - i. Prove that if a group contains exactly one element of order 2, then that element is in the center of the group.
    - ii. Suppose  $\phi: G \to G'$  is an onto homomorphism. Prove, if G is cyclic, then G' is cyclic.
    - iii. Suppose  $\phi: G \to G'$  is an onto homomorphism. Prove, if G is abelian, then G' is abelian.
- 4. Do either of the following.
  - (a) Find all subgroups of  $S_3$  and determine which of these are normal.
  - (b) Find all subgroups of the quaternion group and determine which of these are normal.
- 5. Do either of the following.
  - (a) Prove by giving an explicit example that  $GL(2, \mathbf{R})$  is not a normal subgroup of  $GL(2, \mathbf{C})$ .
  - (b) Let  $\phi: G \to G'$  be an onto homomorphism and let N be a normal subgroup of G.
    - i. Show that the set  $\phi(N) = {\phi(n) : n \in N}$  is a subgroup of G'.
    - ii. Prove that  $\phi(N)$  is a normal subgroup of G'.