

Problem Set 12

Due: Thursday, April 28

Work all of the following problems. Remember, you are encouraged to work together on Problem Sets, but each student must turn in his or her own write-up. Be sure to adhere to the Rules and Expectations outlined in the Course Information Sheet.

1 Traditional Problems

1. (Gallian, Chapter 24 Exercises, #4) Show that $\text{cl}(a) = \{a\}$ if and only if $a \in Z(G)$.
2. (Gallian, Chapter 24 Exercises, #5) If $|G| = 36$ and G is non-Abelian, prove that G has more than one Sylow 2-subgroup or more than one Sylow 3-subgroup.
3. (Gallian, Chapter 24 Exercises, #11) Suppose that G is a group and that $|G| = p^n m$, where p is prime and $p > m$. Prove that a Sylow p -subgroup of G must be normal in G .
4. (Gallian, Chapter 24 Exercises, #45) If G is a group of odd order and $x \in G$, show that x^{-1} is not in $\text{cl}(x)$.
5. (Gallian, Chapter 24 Exercises, #49) Show that \mathbb{Z}_2 is the only group that has exactly two conjugacy classes.
6. Let G be a finite group and suppose that $|G : Z(G)| = n$. Show that $|\text{cl}(x)| \leq n$ for all $x \in G$.
7. (Gallian, Chapter 26 Exercises, #1) Let S be a set of distinct symbols. Show that the relation defined on $W(S)$ in this chapter is an equivalence relation.