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- $\mathbb{C}$  denotes the set of complex numbers.
- $\mathbb{R}$  denotes the set of real numbers.
- $\bullet \mathbb{Q}$  denotes the set of rational numbers.
- $\mathbb{Z}$  denotes the set of integers.
- $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of positive integers.
  - **Q** 1. Let G be a group of order n, H a subgroup of G of order m,  $k = \frac{n}{m}$  and  $S_k$  the symmetric group on k symbols.
    - (a) Show that there is a nontrivial group homomorphism  $\phi: G \to S_k$ .
    - (b) Assuming  $\frac{k!}{2} < n$ , show that G has a nontrivial proper normal subgroup.
  - **Q 2.** Let G be the multiplicative group of complex numbers of modulus 1 and  $G_n$  (n a positive integer) the subgroup consisting of the n-th roots of unity. For positive integers m and n, show that  $G/G_m$  and  $G/G_n$  are isomorphic groups.
  - **Q 3.** Let  $A = \mathbb{Q}[X]/(X^3 1)$ .
    - (a) Prove that A is a direct product of two integral domains.
    - (b) Is the ring A isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Q}[X]/(X^3+1)$ ? Justify your answer.
  - **Q** 4. Let X be an  $n \times n$  complex matrix of rank 1 and I the  $n \times n$  identity matrix. Show that

$$\det(I+X) = 1 + \operatorname{tr}(X),$$

where tr(X) denotes the trace of X and det(X) denotes the determinant of X.

**Q 5.** Let A and X be invertible complex matrices such that  $XAX^{-1} = A^2$ . Prove that there exists a natural number m such that each eigenvalue of A is an m-th root of unity.



- **Q 6.** For  $A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ , we define a sequence of vectors  $\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}, \vec{v}_{n+1} = A\vec{v}_n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \vec{v}_n$  exists and is equal to  $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{a+b}{2} \\ \frac{a+b}{2} \end{pmatrix}$ .
- **Q 7.** Let  $p_k$  be the k-th prime number. Show that there are infinitely many k such that

$$p_{k+1} - p_k > 2.$$

- **Q 8.** Let  $\{e_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  be an orthonormal basis of a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $P_n$  the orthogonal projection onto  $\operatorname{span}\{e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_n\}, n \geq 1$ . Prove that for all bounded linear operator  $T : \mathcal{H} \to \mathcal{H}$  and  $h \in \mathcal{H}, P_n T P_n h \to Th$  as  $n \to \infty$ .
- **Q 9.** Let S be a linear subspace of C([0,1]) which is closed in  $L^2([0,1])$ . (a) Show that S is closed in  $(C([0,1]), \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$ .
  - (b) Show that there exists M > 0 such that for all  $f \in S$ ,

$$||f||_2 \le ||f||_{\infty} \le M ||f||_2.$$

**Q 10.** Let  $\ell^p(\mathbb{Z}) = \{\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} : x_n \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{n=-N}^N |x_n|^p < \infty\}$  for  $p \in [1, \infty)$ . Let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be any two elements of  $\ell^1(\mathbb{Z})$ . (a) Prove that  $\lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{m=-N}^N x_{n-m} y_m$  exists for every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

- (b) If  $z_n = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{m=-N}^{N} x_{n-m} y_m$ , then prove that  $\{z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \ell^1(\mathbb{Z})$ .
- (c) Conclude that  $\{z_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}\in\ell^p(\mathbb{Z})$  for all  $p\in(1,\infty)$ .



