

**NB:** Please deposit your solutions in the appropriate box **by 4 p.m. on the due date**. Late assignments or assignments placed into incorrect boxes will not be marked. Use a mathematics department cover sheet: these are available from outside the Resource Centre.

PLEASE SHOW ALL WORKING.

1. (10 marks) Given that  $*$  is a group operation on the set  $G = \{a, b, c, d\}$ .

(a) (6 marks) Complete the following Cayley table:

$*$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$a$	$c$			
$b$		$c$		
$c$			$c$	
$d$				

(b) (4 marks) Find the identity  $e_G$  of  $G$ , and find the inverses  $b^{-1}$  and  $d^{-1}$  in  $G$ .

2. (8 marks) Let  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  be the set of all invertible  $2 \times 2$  matrices over  $\mathbb{R}$ . As shown in the class  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  is a group under matrix multiplication. Let  $H$  be a subset of  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$  such that

$$H = \{A \in \text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R}) : \det(A) = 1\}.$$

Show that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $\text{GL}_2(\mathbb{R})$ .

3. (10 marks)

(a) (4 marks) Construct a Cayley table of  $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +_4)$ .

(b) (6 marks) Show that the group  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  is isomorphic to the group  $G = \{1, i, -1, -i\}$ , where  $i = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $G$  is the group under the complex multiplication.

4. (12 marks) Let  $S_3 = \{e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \varphi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \psi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \alpha = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}\}$  be the symmetric group, and  $K = \{e, \alpha\}$  a subset of the symmetric group  $S_3$ .

(a) (4 marks) Show  $K$  is a subgroup of  $S_3$ .

(b) (8 marks) Find all left cosets  $xK$  of  $K$  in  $S_3$ .