

# **PROBLEM SET 7**

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## Problem 1

Let  $P$  be a  $p$ -group. Let  $A$  be a normal subgroup of order  $p$ . Prove that  $A$  is contained in the center of  $P$ .

## Problem 2

Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $H$  a subgroup. Let  $P_H$  be a  $p$ -Sylow subgroup  $H$ . Prove that there exists a  $p$ -Sylow subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  such that  $P_H = P \cap H$ .

## Problem 3

Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of a finite group  $G$  and assume that  $\#(H) = p$ . Prove that  $H$  is contained in every  $p$ -Sylow subgroup of  $G$ .

## Problem 4

Let  $P, P'$  be  $p$ -Sylow subgroups of a finite group  $G$ .

- (a). If  $P' \subset N(P)$  (normalizer of  $P$ ), then  $P' = P$ .
- (b). If  $N(P') = N(P)$ , then  $P' = P$ .
- (c). We have  $N(N(P)) = N(P)$ .

## Problem 5

Let  $p$  be a prime number. Show that a group of order  $p^2$  is abelian, and that there are only two such groups up to isomorphism.

## Problem 6

Let  $G$  be a group of order  $p^3$ , where  $p$  is a prime, and  $G$  is not abelian. Let  $Z$  be its center. Let  $C$  be a cyclic group of order  $p$ .

- (a). Show that  $Z \cong C$  and  $G/Z \cong C \times C$ .
- (b). Every subgroup of  $G$  of order  $p^2$  contains  $Z$  and is normal.
- (c). Suppose  $x^p = 1$  for all  $x \in G$ . Show that  $G$  contains a normal subgroup  $H \cong C \times C$ .

## Problem 7

- (a). Let  $G$  be a group of order  $pq$ , where  $p, q$  are primes and  $p < q$ . Assume that  $q \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$ . Prove that  $G$  is cyclic.
- (b). Show that every group of order 15 is cyclic.

## Problem 8

Let  $p, q$  be distinct primes. Prove that a group of order  $p^2q$  is solvable, and that one of its Sylow subgroups is normal.

## Problem 9

Let  $p, q$  be odd primes. Prove that a group of order  $2pq$  is solvable.

## Problem 10

- (a). Prove that one of the Sylow subgroups of a group of order 40 is normal.
- (b). Prove that one of the Sylow subgroups of a group of order 12 is normal.

## Problem 11

Determine all groups of order  $\leq 10$  up to isomorphism. In particular, show that a non-abelian group of order 6 is isomorphic to  $S_3$ .

## Problem 12

Let  $S_n$  be the permutation group on  $n$  elements. Determine the  $p$ -Sylow subgroups of  $S_3, S_4, S_5$  for  $p = 2$  and  $p = 3$ .