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**Section:** .....

**Course:** Math 342

**Title:** Abstract Algebra I.

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1. This exam consists of three parts

Part 1 True/False question (5 marks)	
Part 2 Fill in the blanks question (5 marks)	
part 3 Theory questions (10 marks)	
Total marks (20 marks)	

2. Answer **ALL** questions on the question sheets.
3. This exam sheet consists of **4 pages** including this page.

I. True/ False

1	For $\alpha = (123)$ and $\beta = (45)$ , $ \alpha\beta  = 6$ .	
2	A function $f : \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ defined by $f(x) = x^2$ is a permutation.	
3	Every group is isomorphic to a group of permutation.	
4	If $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are disjoint cycles then $\alpha\beta = \beta\alpha$ .	
5	Every cyclic group of order $n$ is isomorphic to $Z_n$ .	
6	The mapping on $\mathcal{R}$ under addition given by $\phi(x) = x^3$ is an isomorphism.	
7	$U(10) \simeq Z_4$ .	
8	If $G$ is finite group and $a \in G$ , then $ a  \mid  G $ .	
9	If $G$ is a group and $H$ is a subgroup of $G$ , then the left coset $aH$ is a subgroup of $G$ .	
10	If $aH = Ha$ , then $ah = ha$ for all $h \in H$ .	

II. Fill in the blanks.

(a) The order of  $(156432)$  is ....., and the order of  $(134)(257896)$  is .....

(b) The permutation  $(15632)$  is an ..... permutation, while the permutation  $(2734)$  is an ..... one.

(c) If

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 7 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 6 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $\alpha^{-1} = \dots\dots\dots$

and  $\alpha\beta = \dots\dots\dots$

(d)  $|S_4| = \dots\dots\dots$ ,  $|A_4| = \dots\dots\dots$

(e) For a finite cyclic group  $G$  of order 8,  $G$  is isomorphic to .....

(f) In the group  $(Z_8, +)$ , the left cosets of the subgroup  $\langle 4 \rangle = \{\bar{0}, \bar{4}\}$  are .....  
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III. Let  $G$  be a group and  $|G| = 8$ , show that  $G$  must have an element of order 2.

IV. Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group,  $|G| = n$ . Prove that  $G \simeq Z_n$ .

V. Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . For  $a, b \in G$ , prove that  $aH = bH$  or  $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$ .

VI. Show that the converse of Lagrange theorem is not true.  
Hint: use the group

$$A_4 = \{e, (12)(34), (13)(24), (14)(23), (123), (234), (134), (124), (132), (324), (314), (214)\}$$