

1. Show that the alternating group of degree 5,  $\text{Alt}(5)$ , has no subgroup of order 20.
2. Show that every group of order 143 is cyclic.
3. Show that every non-zero ideal of the localization  $\mathbb{Z}_{(p)}$  of  $\mathbb{Z}$  at a prime  $p$  is of the form  $(p^n)$  for some  $n \geq 0$ .
4. Let  $T$  be the  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map on  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  given by the multiplication with the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Compute the characteristic polynomial of  $T \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} T$  acting on  $V \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V$ .

5. Let  $N$  be the subgroup of the free abelian group  $M = \mathbb{Z}^3$  generated by the following 3 elements:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad z = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix},$$

and let  $Q := M/N$ .

- (a) Compute the rank of  $Q$ .
  - (b) Compute the invariant factors of  $Q$ .
6. Let  $p$  be a prime number,  $F = \mathbb{F}_p$  the field with  $p$  elements, and  $V = F^4$  the standard 4-dimensional  $F$ -vector space. Count the number of 2-dimensional  $F$ -linear subspaces in  $V$ .
  7. (a) Determine the Galois group of  $x^8 - 11$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  
(b) Determine the Galois group of  $x^8 - 11$  over  $\mathbb{Q}(i)$ .
  8. Let  $K \supset E \supset F$  be fields. Prove or disprove:
    - (a) If  $K \supset F$  is Galois then  $E \supset F$  is Galois,
    - (b) If  $K \supset F$  then  $K \supset E$  is Galois,
    - (c) If both  $K \supset E$  and  $E \supset F$  are Galois then  $K \supset F$  is Galois.
  9. Determine whether or not  $x^5 - 4x + 2$  is solvable by radicals.