

Group Members: \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Referring to the Cayley Table for  $D_3$  on the back cover, identify the elements of  $D_3$  with the set  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ , and write down the permutation in  $S_6$  corresponding to each row of  $D_3$ .

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**Break.**

**Theorem 6.1 Cayley's Theorem**

Every group is isomorphic to a group of permutations.

(2) Label the corners of an equilateral triangle with  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  (increasing in the counter-clockwise direction), and design a group isomorphism  $\phi : D_3 \rightarrow S_3$  by righting down how each  $g \in D_3$  permutes  $\{1, 2, 3\}$ . (Why are (1) and (2) *both* relevant to Cayley's Theorem?)

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**Theorem 6.2 Properties of Isomorphism Acting on Elements**

Suppose that  $\phi$  is an isomorphism from a group  $G$  onto a group  $\overline{G}$ . Then

1.  $\phi$  carries the identity of  $G$  to the identity of  $\overline{G}$ .
2. For every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  and every  $a \in G$ ,  $\phi(a^n) = [\phi(a)]^n$ .
3. For any elements  $a, b \in G$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  commute iff  $\phi(a)$  and  $\phi(b)$  commute.
4.  $G = \langle a \rangle$  iff  $\overline{G} = \langle \phi(a) \rangle$ .
5.  $|a| = |\phi(a)|$  for all  $a \in G$  (isomorphisms preserve orders).
6. For a fixed integer  $k$  and a fixed  $b \in G$ , the equation  $x^k = b$  has the same number of solutions in  $G$  as does the equation  $x^k = \phi(b)$  in  $\overline{G}$ .
7. If  $G$  is finite, then  $G$  and  $\overline{G}$  have exactly the same number of elements of every order.

**Theorem 6.3 Properties of Isomorphism Acting on Groups.**

Suppose that  $\phi$  is an isomorphism from a group  $G$  onto a group  $\overline{G}$ . Then

1.  $G$  is Abelian iff  $\overline{G}$  is Abelian.
  2.  $G$  is cyclic iff  $\overline{G}$  is cyclic.
  3.  $\phi^{-1}$  is an isomorphism from  $\overline{G}$  onto  $G$ .
  4. If  $K$  is a subgroup of  $G$ , then  $\phi(K) = \{\phi(k) \mid k \in K\}$  is a subgroup of  $\overline{G}$ .
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**(3)** Describe how to apply Theorem 6.2 to prove Theorem 6.3 part 1. Technical details are not necessary.

**(4)** Describe how to apply Theorem 6.2 to prove Theorem 6.3 part 2. Technical details are not necessary.

**(5)** We know that if  $\phi$  is a bijection, then so is  $\phi^{-1}$ . Prove that  $\phi^{-1}$  is operation preserving in order to prove Theorem 6.3 part 4.

(6) Use a subgroup test to prove Theorem 6.3 part 4.

**Definition: Automorphism.**

An isomorphism from a group  $G$  to itself is called an *automorphism* of  $G$ .

**Definition: Inner Automorphism Induced by  $a \in G$ .**

Let  $G$  be a group, and let  $a \in G$ . The function  $\phi_a$  defined by  $\phi_a(x) = axa^{-1}$  for all  $x$  in  $G$  is called the inner automorphism of  $G$  induced by  $a$ .

(7) Recall that Theorem 6.2 part 5 says that an isomorphism preserves the order of an element. That means for an automorphism  $\phi$  of a cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ ,  $\phi(1)$  must be a generator of  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ . Fill out the table with the distinct automorphisms of  $\mathbb{Z}_8$  by specifying for each automorphism where each element is mapped.

$\mathbb{Z}_8$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
$\phi_a$								
$\phi_b$								
$\phi_c$								
$\phi_d$								

(8) Now compute the compositions  $\phi_b \circ \phi_c$  and  $\phi_c \circ \phi_d$ . What are the resulting  $\phi$ 's?

$\mathbb{Z}_8$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0	Result
$\phi_b \circ \phi_c$									
$\phi_b \circ \phi_d$									

(9) Assuming that the  $\phi$ 's above form a group by composition, complete the Cayley table for the  $\phi$ 's. What group have you seen before that is isomorphic to this group?

$\mathbb{Z}_8$	$\phi_a$	$\phi_b$	$\phi_c$	$\phi_d$
$\phi_a$				
$\phi_b$				
$\phi_c$				
$\phi_d$				

**Break.**

**Theorem 6.4**  $\text{Aut}(G)$  and  $\text{Inn}(G)$  are Groups

The set of automorphisms of a group and the set of inner automorphisms of a group are both groups under the operation of function composition.

**Theorem 6.5**  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n) \approx U(n)$

For every  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_n) \approx U(n)$ .

(8) Prove that if  $G$  is Abelian, then there is a unique inner automorphism of  $G$  (i.e.,  $|\text{Inn}(G)| = 1$ ).

**Visualization of  $\phi_{\alpha_5} \in \text{Inn}(A_4)$**

Note that  $g \mapsto \alpha_5 g \alpha_5^{-1}$  under  $\phi_{\alpha_5}$ . On the tetrahedron, the first rotation applied is  $\alpha_5^{-1}$ , which changes the axes of rotation of the tetrahedron. Then  $\alpha_5 g \alpha_5^{-1}$  is the same *kind* of rotation as  $g$ , but with respect to the *new labels* that appear at the position of the *original labels* corresponding to  $g$ .

(9) Refer to Table 5.1 on page 107 for this question. Compute the inner automorphisms  $\phi_{\alpha_1}$  and  $\phi_{\alpha_5}$  by tabulating the image of each permutation in  $A_4$  under  $\phi_{\alpha_5}$ . Do this by looking up entries in Table 5.1 and without actually computing products of permutations. (Replace the original labels of  $g \in A_4$  with the corresponding new labels appearing in the original positions after  $\phi^{-1}$  is applied.)

$A_4$	$\alpha_1$	$\alpha_2$	$\alpha_3$	$\alpha_4$	$\alpha_5$	$\alpha_6$	$\alpha_7$	$\alpha_8$	$\alpha_9$	$\alpha_{10}$	$\alpha_{11}$	$\alpha_{12}$
$\phi_{\alpha_1}$												
$\phi_{\alpha_5}$												

**For thought.** Visualize the inner automorphism  $\phi_{\alpha_5}$  by practicing the rotations on the tetrahedron.