INTRODUCTION TO GROUP THEORY - NMAG337

EXAM – JANUARY 10 2023

Problem 1. Sylow's theorem – formulate and sketch proofs, include supporting lemmas, possibly show some applications.

Problem 2. Prove that the alternating group A_n is simple for all $n \geq 5$.

Problem 3. Prove that the dihedral group D_n (of all symmetries of a regular n-gon) is a semidirect of a cyclic group \mathbb{Z}_n by \mathbb{Z}_2 .