

PMath 346 ASSIGNMENT 1 Due Jun 20

1. Let G be an abelian group of order pq , where p and q are distinct primes. Prove that G is cyclic.

2. Let G be a group in which every element has order 1 or 2. Prove that G is abelian.

3. Prove that if G is a finite group of even order, then G has an element of order 2.

4. Let $\mathbb{Q}_2 = \{ \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and } b \text{ is a power of } 2 \}$.

a) Prove that \mathbb{Q}_2 is not cyclic.

b) Prove that if H is a proper subgroup of \mathbb{Q}_2 which contains \mathbb{Z} , then H is cyclic.

5. Let G be a group with a nonempty subset H . Define a relation \sim on G by $a \sim b$ if $ab^{-1} \in H$. Show that if \sim is an equivalence relation, then H is a subgroup of G .

6. Find all normal subgroups of $S_3 \times S_3$.