

Hi. Let F and R be the *flip* and *rotation* in the dihedral group \mathbb{D}_N , with $F^2=e$, $R^N=e$ and $RF=FR$. Use R^j and R^jF as the standard form of each element in \mathbb{D}_N .

Use **CN** for “cycle notation”, and **DCN** for “disjoint CN”.

C1: Show no work.

a In **CN**, $\alpha^3 = (6410352) \in \mathbb{S}_7$. So $\alpha =$ _____

b Perm $\beta \in \mathbb{S}_{15}$ has $\text{sig} [5^3]$. It has _____ many sqroots with $\text{sig} [5^3]$, and _____ with $\text{sig} [10^1, 5^1]$.

c Let $V_K := G \times G \times \dots \times G$, where $G := (\mathbb{Z}_2, +)$. Define $A_K := \text{Aut}(V_K)$. Then $A_2 \cong \mathbb{D}_N$, where $N =$ _____. As a decreasing product of integers, $|A_3| =$ _____ and $|A_4| =$ _____.

d $G := \mathbb{Z}_{27} \times \mathbb{Z}_9$ has _____ elements of order-9. So G has _____ cyclic subgps of order-9.

e The OP-isometry group, G , of the tetrahedron, \mathbf{T} , has $|G| =$ _____. K -coloring the edges of \mathbf{T} , there are _____ $[K^6 + \dots]$ G -distinct colorings. [Burnside's thm, P.474.]

Essay question: Fill-in all blanks.

C2: The 4×4 \mathbb{T} (TicTacToe) board is $\mathbb{B} := [1 \dots 4] \times [1 \dots 4]$. Let Γ denote the \mathbb{T} -automorphism group; the set of self-bijections of \mathbb{B} which preserve all ten \mathbb{T} s. So $R, F \in \Gamma$, where R rotates \mathbb{B} by 90° CCW, and F flips \mathbb{B} about its vertical axis. Evidently, $\langle R, F \rangle_\Gamma \cong \mathbb{D}_4$.

A less obvious \mathbb{T} -aut is the *swizzle*, S : It exchanges each corner square with the central square that it (diagonally) touches; and it does The Right Thing on the edge squares.

i Easily, $S \trianglelefteq R$ and $S \trianglelefteq F$, hence each element of subgroup $\Lambda := \langle S, F, R \rangle$ can be written in form $S^b F^c R^d$ for integers b, c, d . So $|\Lambda| =$ _____; prove this.

Draw a “16-dot picture” (4×4 dots, with arrows), for each element $\alpha \in \Lambda$. However, use the same picture for α rotated or flipped about any line, or for α^{-1} (rotated or flipped). Label each picture with all the automorphisms that it describes. The total number of labels should equal your $|\Lambda|$.

ii Find a \mathbb{T} -aut T which is **not** in the Λ subgp. Write the commutation relations between T and each

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of $\{S, F, R\}$. Prove that each aut α can be written as $\alpha = T^{a_1} S^{a_2} F^{a_3} R^{a_4}$, with $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$. For element $\beta = T^{b_1} S^{b_2} F^{b_3} R^{b_4}$, give an explicit multiplication rule showing how to compute the exponents $\{c_i\}_{i=1}^4$ of $\beta\alpha = T^{c_1} S^{c_2} F^{c_3} R^{c_4}$.

Prove that $\langle T, S, F, R \rangle$ is **all** of Γ . Thus $|\Gamma| =$ _____.

Draw all the new labeled 16-dot pictures for $\Gamma \setminus \Lambda$.

iii Find a set of *involutions* which generates Γ . Compute (with proof) the center of Γ ; what is its order?

iv With $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{B}$ the upper-LH corner of \mathbb{B} , define its stabilizer $\Upsilon := \text{Stab}_\Gamma(\mathbf{u})$. With proof, compute $|\Upsilon| =$ _____. The number of Υ -orbits is _____. (This is one more than the number of “really different” replies to a corner first-move.)

v On the $4 \times 4 \times 4$ TicTacToe board (Qubic), what is a 3-dimensional analog of The Swizzle? How many (with proof) *really different* first moves are there? (ExtraCredit: Give, with proof, a generating set for the group \mathbb{T} -autos, Γ_{Qubic} .)

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C1: _____ 150pts

C2: _____ 125pts

Total: _____ 275pts

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