

## 546 Final SP 2001

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There are 20 problems on 8 pages. The exam is worth a total of 150 points. Problems 1 through 10 are worth eight points each. Problems 11 through 20 are worth 7 points each.

1. DEFINE group. A set  $G$  together with a binary operation  $*: G \times G \rightarrow G$  is called a group if

a) (closure)  $g_1 * g_2 \in G$  for all  $g_1, g_2 \in G$

b) (associativity)  $g_1 * (g_2 * g_3) = (g_1 * g_2) * g_3$  for all  $g_1, g_2, g_3 \in G$

c) (identity) there exists an element  $\text{id} \in G$  with  $\text{id} * g = g$  and  $g * \text{id} = g$  for all  $g \in G$

d) (inverses) for each element  $g \in G$ , there is an element  $g^{-1} \in G$  with  $g * g^{-1} = \text{id}$  and  $g^{-1} * g = \text{id}$ .

2. DEFINE cyclic group. The group  $G$  is cyclic if there is an element  $g \in G$  so that every element of  $G$  is equal to  $g^n$  for some integer  $n$ .

3. DEFINE the center of a group. The center of the group  $G$  is equal to  $\{g \in G \mid ag = ga \text{ for all } a \in G\}$ .