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1. a) What are the 4 characteristics of a mathematical group? [4 pts]

- 1) Commutative
- 2) associativity
- 3) identity
- 4) invertibility



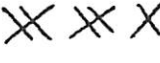

b) Would the set of numbers $\{0, 1, -1\}$ be a group under addition? If not, why not? [2]

yes. all possible combinations in group
 $1 + 0 = 1$ $1 + -1 = 0$ $0 + -1 = -1$

2. How many elements are there in the 5-post snap group? [2]

$$5! = 120$$

3. Below are some of the elements of the 8-post snap group. Below each element, write down its period. [1 each]

- a)  2 b)  4 c)  6 d)  10

4. What is the **maximum** period of an element in the 14-post snap group? Draw the element. (don't worry, you'll get partial credit if you draw an element and correctly identify its period, even if it's not the maximum) [3]5. The 4-post snap group is NOT isomorphic to the flip-rotation group of a square. Give one reason (but be specific) to support the validity of this statement. [2]

4 post snap group = $4!$ elements = 24 elements
 fr of a \square = $\{f, fr, fr^2, fr^3, r, r^2, r^3, I\}$ = 8 elements

isomorphic groups must be the same size in order to have corresponding elements. The 4p group & fr of \square are not the same size and so aren't isomorphic

6. Given the following two operations, which are generators of group G.

r = rotation of 20 degrees

f = flip over the x-axis

a) What is the order of group G (how many elements are in group G)? [2] 36

b) Name a geometric group that is isomorphic to group G. Be specific. [2]

shape with 18 sides, all evenly spaced apart (160° vertices)

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