

1. Imagine a collection of 4 elements A, B and C and D under the operation * where

A * B = A; B * C = C, B * D = D, A * C = D, A * A = D A * D = B

- b) Does A have an inverse element? If so name it and tell how you know. If not explain why.

yes D is inverse since A * D = B, the identity element

From the evidence above does it seem like the "group" exhibits closure? Explain how you know.

d) Assume associativity. What is the period of A?

A.A = D. A = B.A = A

2. Explain why the set of numbers: { 1, -1} is a group under multiplication but not addition. To receive full credit, you must discuss all 4 characteristics of a group

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delosure: [.]=1, |.-|=-1, -|.-|=1 | X closure: -|+(-1) is -2, which is not included

Vasso: multiplication is associative

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X identity: adding 1 or -1 will change the number it is being added to so no I

inverse: mult 1 by 1 to get back to I(1) and

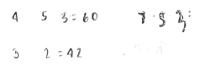
inverse: no I element so no inverse 3. How many elements are there in the 6 post snap group?

a. Draw a 6-post element that would have a period of 1 or state that there is no such element.

b. Draw a 6-post element that would have a period of 5 or state that there is no such element.

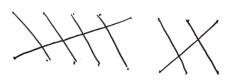
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4. What is the maximum period of an element in the 15-post snap group? Draw this element. (you will receive partial credit if your element has a fairly large period, but isn't actually the maximum)



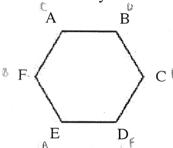
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5. Consider the dihedral (reflection/rotation) group for the regular hexagon where the element shown is the identity element.



Let "f" be defined as the operation "reflect over the horizontal symmetry line (for the identity this would be line FC). Let "r" be defined as the operation rotate counterclockwise by 60 degrees.

a) Draw the element represented by $f \cdot r^2$



b) using as few operations as possible, name the element below (use r's and f's).

