1. In both the dihedral group $G = D_6$ and dicyclic group $G = \text{Dic}_6$, whose Cayley diagrams are shown below, the subgroups $N = \langle r^3 \rangle$ and $H = \langle r^2 \rangle$ are normal. For both, construct a Cayley table and Cayley diagram for the quotients G/N and G/H, and determine what these are isomorphic to.



- 2. Let H be a subgroup of G.
 - (a) Show that if G is abelian, then H and G/H are abelian.
 - (b) Show that if G/Z(G) is cyclic, then G is abelian.
 - (c) What cyclic groups can arise as a quotient G/Z(G)? Justify your answer.
- 3. Let X be a subset of a group G. The *centralizer* of X, denoted $C_G(X)$, is the set of all elements that commute with everything in X:

$$C_G(X) = \{g \in G \mid gx = xg, \ \forall x \in X\}.$$

If $X = \{x\}$, then we denote the centralizer as $C_G(x)$.

- (a) Show that $C_G(X)$ is a subgroup of G.
- (b) If H is a subgroup of G, show that $C_G(H) \leq N_G(H)$.
- (c) Fix $x \in G$, and define the map

$$\phi: \{ \text{left cosets of } C_G(x) \} \longrightarrow \{ \text{conjugates of } x \}, \qquad \phi: gC_G(x) \longmapsto gxg^{-1}$$

Show that this map is well-defined and a bijection.

- (d) Derive the useful formula $|G| = |\operatorname{cl}_G(x)| \cdot |C_G(x)|$, for any $x \in G$.
- (e) For Q_8 and D_6 , compute the centralizers of each element $x \in G$, as well as $N_G(\langle x \rangle)$. The partition of these groups by conjugacy classes is shown below.

1	i	j	k
-1	-i	-j	-k

1	r	r^2	f	$r^2 f$	r^4f
r^3	r^5	r^4	rf	r^3f	r^5f

(f) Partition the elements of the group D_8 by conjugacy classes, and arrange them in a table, as above. Then repeat the previous part for this group. The Cayley diagram and subgroup lattice for D_8 is shown below, for convenience.



- 4. Recall that two elements in S_n are conjugate if and only if they have the same cycle type.
 - (a) Determine how many elements there are of each cycle type in S_4 , and in S_5 . Note that the sum of your answers should add up to $|S_4| = 4! = 24$ and $|S_5| = 5! = 120$, respectively.
 - (b) Partition the elements of S_4 by conjugacy class.
 - (c) Compute the centralizers of e, (12), (123), (1234), and (12)(34) in S_4 .
 - (d) Partition the elements of A_4 by conjugacy class. Then pick one element from each class, and find its centralizer. [*Hint:* two-thirds of the elements in A_4 are 3-cycles, so they cannot all be in the same conjugacy class.]
 - (e) Find the centralizer of each of the elements e, (12), (123), (1234), (12345), (12)(34), and (123)(45) in S_5 .