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Fourth Semester

Mathematics – Main

ABSTRACT ALGEBRA – I

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

1. Order of a non-zero element in  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a)  $\alpha$  (b) 0  
(c) 1 (d) 2
2. A group of order 12 cannot have a subgroup of order \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) 3 (b) 4  
(c) 5 (d) 6

3. If  $H$  and  $K$  are two finite subgroups of a group  $G$  the  $[HK] =$

- (a)  $\frac{|K|}{|H \cap K|}$  (b)  $\frac{|H||K|}{|H \cap K|}$   
(c)  $\frac{|H|}{|H \cap K|}$  (d)  $\frac{|H|+|K|}{|H \cap K|}$

4. Let  $p$  be a prime number and  $a$  be any integer relatively prime to  $p$ . Then  $a^{p-1} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$

- (a) Lagrange's theorem  
(b) Fermat's theorem  
(c) Euler's theorem  
(d) Cauchy's theorem

5. The Kernel of a homomorphism  $f: G \rightarrow G'$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) a subgroup of  $G'$   
(b) a normal subgroup of  $G'$   
(c) a normal subgroup of  $G$   
(d)  $\{e\}$

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6.  $f: (R^*, \cdot) \rightarrow (R^*, \cdot)$  defined by  $f(x) = |x|$  is
- (a) one-one (b) homomorphism  
(c) onto (d) (b) and (c)
7. The map  $f: Z \rightarrow z$  defined by  $f(x) = x^2 + 3$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) a ring homomorphism  
(b) not a ring homomorphism  
(c) a ring-isomorphism  
(d) a ring ephimorphism
8. An example of an infinite commutative ring without identity is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a)  $(Z, +, \cdot)$  (b)  $(Z_n, \oplus, \otimes)$   
(c)  $(2Z, +, \cdot)$  (d)  $M_2(R)$
9. The product of the polynomials  $2x+4$  and  $4x^2+3x+1$  in  $Z_6[x]$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a)  $3x^3 + 2x^2 + 4x + 4$   
(b)  $8x^2 + 2x^2 + 4x + 4$   
(c)  $8x^3 + 22x^2 + 14x + 4$   
(d)  $3x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4$

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10. Let  $f(x), g(x) \in Z_4[x]$  be defined as  $f(x) = x^2 + 2x + 3$  and  $g(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$  then degree of  $[f(x) + g(x)] =$  \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) 0 (b) 2  
(c) 4 (d) 1

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Let  $G$  denote the set of all matrices of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{pmatrix}$  where  $x \in R$ . Then prove that  $G$  is a group under matrix multiplication.
- Or
- (b) Prove that a non-empty subset  $H$  of a group  $G$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow ab^{-1} \in H$ .
12. (a) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$  and then prove that
- (i) order of  $a$  = order of  $a^{-1}$   
(ii) order of  $a$  = order of  $b^{-1}ab$ .

Or

- (b) State and prove Fermat's theorem.

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13. (a) Prove that any permutation can be expressed as a product of disjoint cycles.

Or

- (b)  $I(G)$  is a normal subgroup of  $A(G)$  prove.

14. (a) Prove that the set of all real numbers of the form  $a + b\sqrt{2}$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$  under usual addition and multiplication is a ring.

Or

- (b) Prove that a finite commutative ring  $R$  without zero-divisors is a field.

15. (a) Show that the homomorphic image of an integral domain need not be an integral domain.

Or

- (b) Prove that  $R[x]$  is an integral domain iff  $R$  is an integral domain.

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PART C — ( $5 \times 8 = 40$  marks)

Answer ALL questions choosing either (a) or (b).

16. (a) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be two subgroups of a group  $G$ . Then prove that  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $HK = KH$ .

Or

- (b) If  $n$  is a prime number then prove that  $Z_n - \{0\}$  is a group under multiplication modulo  $n$ .

17. (a) Prove that a subgroup of cyclic group is cyclic.

Or

- (b) State and prove Lagrange's theorem.

18. (a) State and prove Cayley's theorem.

Or

- (b) State and prove fundamental theorem of Homomorphism.

19. (a) Prove that any finite integral domain is a field.

Or

- (b) Prove the characteristic of any field is either 0 or a prime number.

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20. (a) Prove that any integral domain  $D$  can be embedded in a field  $F$ .

Or

- (b) Let  $R$  be a ring and  $I$  be a subgroup of  $(R, +)$ . Prove that the multiplication in  $R/I$  given by  $(I+a)(I+b) = I+ab$  is well defined if and only if  $I$  is an ideal of  $R$ .
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