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ALGEBRA — I

(For those who joined in July 2017 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — ($10 \times 1 = 10$ marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. If ϕ is a homomorphism then $\phi(ab) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
- (a) $\phi(a)\phi(b)$
(b) $\phi(a/b)$
(c) $\phi(a) - \phi(b)$
(d) None of these

2. If G is a group and H is a subgroup of index 2 in G then

- (a) H is a normal subgroup of G
(b) H is an abelian subgroup of G
(c) $aHa^{-1} \neq H$
(d) None of these

3. Let G be a group of order 99 and let H be a subgroup of order 11. Then H contains a normal subgroup $N \neq (e)$ of order

- (a) 3 or 5
(b) 3 or 6
(c) 11
(d) 9

4. If G is abelian of order $O(G)$ and $p^a \mid O(G)$, $p^{a+1} \nmid O(G)$, then

- (a) there is a subgroup of G of order p^a
(b) there is a unique subgroup of G of order p^a
(c) there must be a subgroup of G of order $> p^2$
(d) none of these

5. Let A_n be the set of all even permutations in S_n . Then $O(A_n) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

- (a) $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$
(b) $\frac{n}{2}$
(c) n
(d) $\frac{n}{2}$

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6. Let $\alpha \in Z$, centre of G . Then
 (a) $N(\alpha) = G$ (b) $N(\alpha) \neq G$
 (c) $O(Z) = p^n$ (d) none of these
7. S_{p^k} has a _____ sylow subgroups.
 (a) p^k (b) p
 (c) k (d) none
8. Let G be a group of order 72. Then
 (a) G must have a non trivial normal subgroup
 (b) G is simple
 (c) G is not having any normal subgroup
 (d) None of these
9. Every finite abelian group is the direct product of _____
 (a) group (b) abelian group
 (c) cyclic group (d) none of these
10. The number of non-isomorphic abelian groups of order p^n , p prime, equals
 (a) $p(n)$ (b) p^3
 (c) p (d) none

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SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

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

11. (a) If H and K are finite subgroups of G of order $O(H)$ and $O(K)$, respectively, then
 $O(HK) = \frac{O(H)O(K)}{O(H \cap K)}$. Prove this.
 Or
 (b) If ϕ is a homomorphism of G onto $\bar{G}$ with Kernel K , then the set of all inverse images of $\bar{g} \in \bar{G}$ under ϕ in G is given by Kx where x is any particular inverse image of $\bar{g}$ in $\bar{G}$. Prove this.
12. (a) Prove that an automorphism group of an infinite cyclic group is a group of order 2.
 Or
 (b) If G is a group and N is a normal subgroup of G such that both N and G/N are solvable, prove that G is solvable.
13. (a) If G is a finite group, then show that
 $C_a = \frac{O(G)}{O(N(G))}$ where C_a is the number of elements conjugate to a in G .
 Or
 (b) If $O(G) = p^n$, where p is a prime number them show that $Z(G) \neq (e)$.

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14. (a) Let G be a group and suppose that G is a subgroup of a finite group M . Suppose further that M has a P -sylow subgroup Q . Then show that G has a P -sylow subgroup P and $P = G \cap xQx^{-1}$

Or

- (b) Show that the number of P -sylow subgroups in G equals index of $N(P)$ in G .
15. (a) Suppose G is the internal direct product of $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n$. Then for $i \neq j, N_i \cap N_j = \{e\}$ and if $a \in N_i, b \in N_j$ then $ab = ba$.

Or

- (b) If G and G' are isomorphic abelian groups then show that for every integer $s, G(s)$ and $G'(s)$ are isomorphic.

SECTION C — ($5 \times 8 = 40$ marks)

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

16. (a) State and prove Sylow's theorem for abelian groups.

Or

- (b) Let ϕ be a homomorphism of G onto $\bar{G}$ with Kernel K . Let $\bar{N}$ be a normal subgroup of $\bar{G}$, $N = \{x \in G / \phi(x) \in \bar{N}\}$. Then show that $G/N \cong \bar{G}/\bar{N}$.

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17. (a) (i) Let G be a group. Let $\mathcal{I}(G)$ denotes the set of all inner automorphisms of G . Prove that $\mathcal{I}(G)$ is a subgroup of $A(G)$, set of all automorphisms of G .

- (ii) Prove that $\mathcal{I}(G)$ is isomorphic to G/Z where Z is the centre of the group G .

Or

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

18. (a) Prove that the number of conjugate class in S_n is the number of partition of n .

Or

- (b) State and prove Cauchy's theorem for general group.

19. (a) Let G be a group and let A, B be any two subgroups of G . If $x, y \in G$ then $x \sim y$ if $y = axb$ for some $a \in A, b \in B$. Then prove that

- (i) $\sim$ is an equivalence relation on G .

- (ii) The equivalent class of $x \in G$ is the set $AxB = \{axb / a \in A, b \in B\}$.

$$(iii) O(AxB) = \frac{O(A)O(B)}{O(A \cap xBx^{-1})}$$

Or

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- (b) Prove that the number of p -syllow subgroups in G equals $\frac{O(G)}{O(N(p))}$, where p is any p -syllow subgroup of G .
20. (a) Let G be group and suppose that G is the internal direct products of $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n$, let $T = N_1 \times N_2 \times \dots \times N_n$. Then prove that G and T are isomorphis.

Or

- (b) Two abelian groups of order p^n are isomorphic iff they have the same invariants. Prove this.
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