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MT 401

First Semester M.Sc. Degree Examination, December 2018/January 2019

MATHEMATICS

Algebra – I (Repeaters)

Choice Based Credit System – Old Syllabus

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Note : 1) Answer **any five full** questions.

2) Answer to **each full** question shall **not exceed eight** pages of the answer book. No additional sheets will be provided for answering.

3) Use of scientific calculator is **permitted**.

1. a) Define group and subgroup.

If a, b, c are the elements of a group G then show that

i) $ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$

ii) $ba = ca \Rightarrow b = c$

b) Prove that in a group

i) The identity element is unique

ii) Every element has unique inverse.

c) Let S be the set of all real numbers except -1 then prove that S is a group with operation $*$ defined by $a * b = a + b + ab$. **(5+4+5)**

2. a) Prove that the set S of integers n such that $x^n = 1$ is a subgroup of z^+ .

b) State and prove Lagrange's theorem.

c) Prove that the homomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$ carries the identity to the identity and inverse to inverse. **(4+6+4)**

3. a) Prove that the subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if every left coset is also a right coset. Further show that if H is normal then $aH = Ha$ for every $a \in G$.

b) Prove that if N is a normal subgroup of a group G then the product of two cosets aN and bN is again a coset. **(7+7)**

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4. a) Prove that every rigid motion is a translation, a rotation, a reflection, a glide reflection or the identity.
- b) Prove that the dihedral group D_n is generated by two elements x, y which satisfy the relations $x^n = 1$, $y^2 = 1$ and $yx = x^{-1}y$. (7+7)
5. a) Let H and K be subgroups of a group G . Then prove that the index of $H \cap K$ in H is at most to the index of K in G .
- b) Prove that the group $GL_2(F_2)$ of invertible matrices with modulo 2 coefficients is isomorphic to the symmetric group S_3 . (7+7)
6. a) Prove that the center of a p -group has order $p > 1$.
- b) Prove that every group of order p^2 is abelian.
- c) If U be a subset of a group G then prove that the order of the stabilizer $\text{stab}(U)$ of U for the operation of left multiplication divides the order of U . (5+4+5)
7. a) Prove that there are exactly two isomorphism classes of groups of order 6 which are the classes of cyclic group C_6 and of the dihedral group D_3 .
- b) Let K be a subgroup of G whose order is divisible by p and let H be a Sylow p -subgroup of G . Then show that there is a conjugate subgroup $H' = gHg^{-1}$ such that $K \cap H'$ is a Sylow subgroup of K . (7+7)
8. a) Prove that every group of order 15 is cyclic.
- b) Prove that every permutation p not the identity is a product of cyclic permutations which operate on disjoint sets of indices $p : \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \dots \sigma_k$ and these cyclic permutations σ_r are uniquely determined by p . (7+7)
9. a) Define a ring.
Let R be a ring with $1 = 0$ then prove that R is the zero ring.
- b) Let R denote the ring of continuous real valued functions on \mathbb{R}^n . Prove that the map $\phi : \mathbb{R}[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] \rightarrow R$ sending a polynomial to its associated polynomial function is an injective homomorphism. (7+7)
10. a) If F is a field then prove that every ideal in the ring $F(x)$ of polynomials in a single variable x is a principal ideal.
- b) Define integral domain and maximal ideal prove that the Kernel of π_1 is either zero or else it is a maximal ideal. (7+7)
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