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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Mathematics

Core Course XII

MM 1644 – ABSTRACT ALGEBRA II

(2014 & 2017 Admission)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – I

All the first ten questions are compulsory. They carry one mark each.

1. Define Kernel of a group homomorphism.
2. Let H be a normal subgroup of G . Prove that $\gamma: G \rightarrow G/H$ given by $\gamma(x) = xH$ is a homomorphism with kernel H .
3. Define automorphism of a group.
4. $\mathbb{Z}/3\mathbb{Z}$ is isomorphic to _____
5. Find the order of the factor group $\mathbb{Z}_6 / \langle 2 \rangle$
6. Define skew field.
7. Find all units in the ring \mathbb{Z}_6 .
8. Explain characteristic of a ring.

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9. Give an example of an integral domain that is not a field.
10. Is there exist a field of 7 elements.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – II

Answer any **eight** questions from among the questions 11 to 22. These questions carry **2** marks each.

11. Let S_n be the symmetric group on n letters, and let $\phi: S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ be

$$\text{defined by } \phi(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an even permutation,} \\ 1 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an odd permutation} \end{cases}$$

Show that ϕ is a homomorphism.

12. State the Fundamental Homomorphism Theorem.
13. How many homomorphisms are there of \mathbb{Z} onto \mathbb{Z} ?
14. Prove that every subgroup H of an abelian group G is normal.
15. Find the order of the element $5 + \langle 4 \rangle$ in the factor group $\mathbb{Z}_{12} / \langle 4 \rangle$.
16. Define ring.
17. Find the characteristic of the ring $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times 3\mathbb{Z}$.
18. State Little Theorem of Fermat.
19. Let m be a positive integer and let $a \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ be relatively prime to m . Prove that for each $b \in \mathbb{Z}_m$, the equation $ax = b$ has a unique solution in \mathbb{Z}_m .
20. Find all solutions of the congruence $12x \equiv 27 \pmod{18}$.
21. Distinguish between ideal and subring.
22. Explain factor ring.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – III

Answer any **six** questions from among the questions **23** to **31**. These questions carry **4** marks each.

23. Prove that a factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
24. Compute the factor group $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6) / \langle (0, 2) \rangle$.
25. Prove that the converse of Lagrange theorem is not true.
26. If R is a ring with additive identity 0 , then prove that for any $a, b \in R$
 - (a) $0a = a0 = 0$
 - (b) $a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab)$
 - (c) $(-a)(-b) = ab$.
27. Solve the equation $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ in \mathbb{Z}_{12} .
28. Prove that the cancellation laws hold in a ring R if and only if R has no divisors of 0 .
29. Show that for every integer n , the number $n^{33} - n$ is divisible by 15 .
30. State and prove Euler's theorem.
31. Find all solutions of the congruence $15x \equiv 27 \pmod{18}$.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – IV

Answer any **two** questions from among the questions **32** to **35**. These questions carry **15** marks each.

32. (a) Let ϕ be a homomorphism of a group G into a group G' . Prove that
 - (i) If e is the identity element in G , then $\phi(e)$ is the identity element e' in G' .
 - (ii) If $a \in G$, then $\phi(a^{-1}) = \phi(a)^{-1}$.
 - (iii) If H is a subgroup of G , then $\phi[H]$ is a subgroup of G' .
 - (iv) If K' is a subgroup of $G' \cap \phi[G]$, then $\phi^{-1}[K']$ is a subgroup of G .
- (b) A group homomorphism $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a one-to-one map if and only if $\text{Ker}(\phi) = \{e\}$.

33. (a) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Prove that left coset multiplication is well defined by the equation.

$$(aH)(bH) = (ab)H$$

If and only if H is a normal subgroup of G .

- (b) Prove that the following are three equivalent conditions for a subgroup H of a group G to be a normal subgroup of G .
- (i) $gHg^{-1} \subseteq H$ for all $g \in G$ and $h \in H$.
 - (ii) $gHg^{-1} = H$ for all $g \in G$.
 - (iii) $gH = Hg$ for all $g \in G$.
34. (a) In the ring \mathbb{Z}_n , prove that the divisors of 0 are precisely those non zero elements that are not relatively prime to n .
- (b) Prove that every field F is an integral domain.
- (c) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.
35. (a) Prove that the set G_n of nonzero elements of \mathbb{Z}_n that are not 0 divisors forms a group under multiplication modulo n .
- (b) Let H be a subring of the ring R . Prove that multiplication of additive cosets of H is well defined by the equation.

$$(a + H)(b + H) = ab + H$$

if and only if $ah \in H$ and $hb \in H$ for all $a, b \in R$ and $h \in H$.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)