

2016

MATHEMATICS

( Major )

Paper : 3.1

( Abstract Algebra )

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. Answer the following as directed :  $1 \times 10 = 10$

- (a) If  $H$  is a subgroup of  $S_n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) contains both odd and even permutations, then  $O(H)$  is even.

( Justify whether it is  
True or False )

- (b) Which of the following is true?  
If  $G/H \cong G/K$ , then  $H = K$  when
- (i)  $G$  is not a cyclic group
  - (ii)  $G$  is a cyclic group
  - (iii)  $G$  is a permutation group

(c) State first fundamental theorem on isomorphism of group.

(d) In a Boolean ring  $R$ , every prime ideal  $P \neq R$  is maximal ideal.

( Justify whether it is True or False )

(e) Define simple ring.

(f) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity and let  $M$  be a maximal ideal of  $R$  such that  $M^2 = \{0\}$ . If  $N$  is any maximal ideal of  $R$ , then  $N \neq M$ .

( Justify whether it is True or False )

(g) Define centre of a group  $G$ .

(h) Any finite  $p$ -group has non-trivial centre.

( Justify whether it is True or False )

- (i) Which of the following is true?
- (i) A PID is a Euclidean domain.
  - (ii) A Euclidean domain is a PID.
  - (iii) A field is not a PID.
- (j) Give examples of two zero divisors in the ring  $M_{2 \times 2}$ , the set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10

- (a) Verify with an example that union of two subspaces of a vector space may not be a subspace.
- (b) Let  $f : G \rightarrow G'$  be a group homomorphism. Show that  $f$  is one-one if  $\ker f = \{e\}$ , where  $\ker f$  is the kernel of  $f$  and  $e \in G$  being identity element.
- (c) Let  $G$  be a finite group. Show that  $G$  is a  $p$ -group ( $p$ -prime) if  $O(G) = p^n$ .

(d) If  $D$  is an integral domain and if  $na = 0$  for some  $0 \neq a \in D$  and some integer  $n \neq 0$ , then show that the characteristic of  $D$  is finite.

(e) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring and  $P$  a prime ideal of  $R$ . Then show that  $R/P$  is an integral domain.

3. Answer the following questions : 5×4=20

(a) Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  and  $G' = \langle b \rangle$  be two cyclic groups of same order. Define  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  by  $\phi(a^r) = b^r$  for all integers  $r$ . Show that  $\phi$  is an isomorphism.

Or

Let  $H$  and  $K$  be two normal subgroups of a group  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq K$ . Then prove that

$$\frac{G}{K} \cong \frac{G/H}{K/H}$$

(b) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field. Is it true for infinite integral domain? Justify your answer.

Or

Define idempotent and nilpotent elements of a ring. Show that a non-zero idempotent element cannot be nilpotent.

(c) If  $G$  is a finite group such that  $O(G) = p^2$ , where  $p$  is prime, then show that  $G$  is Abelian.

(d) If  $F$  is a field, then prove that the polynomial ring  $F[x]$  over  $F$  is a Euclidean ring.

4. Answer the following questions : 10×4=40

(a) State and prove Cayley's theorem. 2+8=10

Or

Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ . Then show that there exists a one-one onto mapping from  $X$ , the set of all subgroups of  $G$  containing  $H$  and  $Y$ , the set of all subgroups of  $G/H$ . 10

- (b) In a ring  $R$ , the equation  $ax = b (a \neq 0)$  has a solution, then show that  $R$  is a division ring. Also prove that the centre  $Z(R)$  of a division ring  $R$  is a field. 6+4=10

Or

Prove that an ideal  $M$  of a commutative ring  $R$  with unity is a maximal ideal if and only if  $R/M$  is a field. Examine whether  $Z/\langle 4 \rangle$  is a field or not. 7+3=10

- (c) If  $Z(G)$ ,  $\text{Inn}(G)$  and  $\text{Aut}(G)$  are respectively centre of  $G$ , inner automorphism of  $G$  and automorphism of  $G$ , then show that  $\text{Inn}(G) \trianglelefteq \text{Aut}(G)$  and  $G/Z(G) \cong \text{Inn}(G)$  5+5=10

Or

If  $G$  is a finite group and  $p|O(G)$ , where  $p$  is prime, prove that a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup  $H$  of  $G$  is normal subgroup of  $G$  if and only if  $H$  is the only Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ . Further, using Sylow's theorem, prove that no group of order 30 is simple. 5+5=10

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- (d) Define Euclidean domain. Show that the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a Euclidean domain. Prove that every ideal in a Euclidean domain is a principal ideal.

2+4+4=10

Or

Find the field of quotients of the integral domain

$$\mathbb{Z}[i] = \{a + ib : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\} \quad 10$$

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