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MAT 5B 06—ABSTRACT ALGEBRA

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 120 Marks

Section A

Answer all the twelve questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Define subgroup of a group.
2. Fill in the blanks : The units in the ring of integers \mathbb{Z} are _____.
3. Write the order of the permutation $(1, 2)(1\ 9\ 8)$ in S_9 .
4. Give an example of a finite group of order 4 which is not cyclic.
5. Calculate the remainder obtained when 45^{72} is divided by 73.
6. Compute $(1, 4)(7, 5)(2, 5, 7)$ in S_7 .
7. What is the characteristic of the ring $\langle \mathbb{Z}_9, +_9, \times_9 \rangle$.
8. Give an example for an integral domain which is not a field.
9. What is the necessary condition for a homomorphism ϕ from a group G to G' to be injective.
10. Write two equivalent conditions for the subgroup of a group to be a normal subgroup.
11. What is the index of A_n in S_n .
12. Define a cyclic group and give an example.

(12 × 1 = 12 marks)

Section B

Answer any ten out of fourteen questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

13. Let S be a set and let f, g and h be functions mapping S into S . Prove that $(f \circ g) \circ h = f \circ (g \circ h)$.
14. Show that every group of prime order is abelian.
15. Draw the group table for S_3 .

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16. Define $*$ by $a * b = \frac{ab}{3}$ then show that Q^+ , the set of positive rationals, with operation $*$ is a group.
17. Show that A_n is a normal subgroup of S_n and find a group to which S_n/A_n is isomorphic.
18. Define a field. Show that $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ in any field using the axioms of the field.
19. Give an example of non-commutative finite ring. Establish that it is so.
20. Give any necessary and sufficient condition for a ring R to have no zero divisors. Justify your claim.
21. Find a formula for identifying units in the ring of gaussian integers $\{a + ib : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$.
22. Write all the left cosets of $3\mathbb{Z}$ in \mathbb{Z} .
23. Show that factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
24. Solve $x^2 = i$ in S_3 where i is the identity.
25. Define group homomorphism and state fundamental theorem of homomorphism.
26. Is Q , the set of rationals, the field of quotients for integers? Justify your claim.

(10 × 4 = 40 marks)

Section C

Answer any six out of nine questions.
Each question carries 7 marks.

27. Show that the binary structure $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$ with operation the usual addition is isomorphic to the structure $\langle \mathbb{R}^+, \cdot \rangle$ where \cdot is the usual multiplication.
 28. Define order of an element in any group G . Show that in a finite group G , order of any element divides order of G .
 29. Show that the subset S of $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ consisting of all invertible $n \times n$ matrices under matrix multiplication is a group.
 30. Show that every permutation σ of a finite set is a product of disjoint cycles.
 31. Let G and G' be groups and let $\Phi : G \rightarrow G'$ be one to one function such that $\Phi(xy) = \Phi(x)\Phi(y)$ for all $x, y \in G$. Then prove that $\Phi[G]$ is a subgroup of G' and Φ provides an isomorphism of G with $\Phi[G]$.
- Show that every proper subgroup of a group G , with $o(G) = pq$ where p and q are prime, is cyclic.
- Solve the equation $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ completely in \mathbb{Z}_{12} .

34. Establish a formula for computing the number of zero divisors in the ring Z_n by giving its proof.
35. Give a necessary and sufficient condition for union of two subgroups of a group to be a subgroup.
(6 × 7 = 42 marks)

Section D

*Answer any two out of three questions.
Each question carries 13 marks.*

36. (a) Find the index of the subgroup generated by $\sigma = (1, 2, 5, 4)(2, 3)$ in S_6 .
(b) Write all the subgroups of Z_{10} .
37. State and prove Cayley's theorem in detail.
38. (a) List all the units in the matrix ring $M_2(Z_2)$.
(b) Show that every finite integral domain is a field.

(2 × 13 = 26 marks)