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Mathematics

MT 1C 01—ALGEBRA—I

(2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

• Part A

Answer all questions.
Each question has weightage 1.

1. Verify whether $\alpha(x, y) = (x + y, 0)$ is an isometry of the plane.
2. Find the order of $(2, 6)$ in the group $Z_4 \times Z_{12}$.
3. Give two non-isomorphic groups of order 8.
4. Let G be the cyclic group Z_4 and $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ with action given by $a \cdot x = a + x \pmod{4}$. Find the isotropy group G_x for $x = 1$.
5. Verify whether the series $(0) \lll 5 \ggg \lll Z_{15}$ and $(0) \lll 3 \ggg \lll 76_{15}$ are isomorphic.
6. Find the commutator subgroup of the symmetric group S_3 .
7. Find a subgroup of order 4 in $Z_6 \times Z_6$.
8. Find the number of 3-sylow subgroup of a group G where $|G| = 18$.
9. Let H, K be subgroups of a group G and $H \cap K = \{e\}$. Show that if $h_1 k_1 = h_2 k_2$ for some $h_1, h_2 \in H$ and $k_1, k_2 \in K$ then $h_1 = h_2$ and $k_1 = k_2$.
10. Find the number of elements in the group presented as $\langle x, y : xy = x, x^2 y = y \rangle$.
11. Let $\phi : \mathbb{Q}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ be the evaluation homomorphism at 2. Find $\text{Ker } \phi$.
12. Verify whether $x^2 - x$ is irreducible in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$.
13. Find the inverse of $(1 + 2i + 2j)$ in the ring of quaternions.
14. Verify whether $N = \{0, 2, 4\}$ is an ideal of the ring Z_6 .

(14 x 1 = 14 weightage)

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Part B

Answer any seven questions.
Each question has *weightage* 2.

15. Find all generators of the cyclic group $7\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$.
16. Show that there are only two non-isomorphic groups of order 25.
17. Let $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_6$. Find a subgroup H of order 2 in G such that H is cyclic.
18. Let G be the symmetric group S_4 and $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ with action given by $a \cdot x = (ax)$ for all $a \in G$ and $x \in X$. Find the number of orbits in X .
19. Let N be a normal subgroup of a group G and H be a subgroup of G . Show that $HN = NH$.
20. Show that S_3 is a solvable group.
21. Show that a free group on one generator is isomorphic to $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$.
22. Show that the group presented by $\langle x, y : x^2 = y^3 = 1, xy = yx \rangle$ is isomorphic to the cyclic group \mathbb{Z}_6 .
23. Verify whether $x^5 - 3x^3 + 9x + 6$ is irreducible in $\mathbb{Z}[x]$.
24. Let N be an ideal of a ring R . Show that $\phi: R \rightarrow R/N$ defined by $x \mapsto x + N$ is a **homomorphism** of rings.

(7 x 2 = 14 *weightage*)

Part C

Answer any two questions.
Each question has *weightage* 4.

25. (a) Show that $\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_{mn} if and only if gcd of m and n is 1.
(b) Show that if a is of order m in a group G_1 and b is of order n in a group G_2 then the order of (a, b) in $G_1 \times G_2$ is the lcm of m and n .
26. (a) Define simple group.
(b) Let G be a group and M be a normal subgroup of G . Show that G/M is simple if and only if M is a maximal normal subgroup of G .
27. Let H be a subgroup of G and N be a normal subgroup of G . Show that :
(a) $H \cap N$ is a normal subgroup of HN .
(b) $H \cap N$ is a normal subgroup of H .
(c) HN/N is isomorphic to $H/(H \cap N)$.
28. (a) State the division algorithm in $F[x]$ where F is a field.
(b) Show that the quotient and the remainder are unique in the division.
(c) Show that if $a \in F$ is a zero of $f(x) \in F[x]$ then $(x - a)$ is a factor of $f(x)$.

(2 x 4 = 8 *weightage*)