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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 – A

All the first ten questions are compulsory. Each carries 1 mark.

1. Define normal subgroup.
2. If $\varphi: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_7$ is a homomorphism such that $\varphi(1) = 4$. Find $\text{Ker}(\varphi)$.
3. Find the order of the factor group $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}) / \langle 2 \rangle \times \langle 2 \rangle$.
4. Define an automorphism.
5. State whether true or false: $\mathbb{Z} / n\mathbb{Z}$ is cyclic of order n .
6. Compute $(20)(-8)$ in \mathbb{Z}_{26} .
7. Describe all units in the ring $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$.
8. Find the characteristic of the ring $3\mathbb{Z}$.

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9. Calculate $\varphi(1001)$.
10. Find all ideals of \mathbb{Z} .

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – B

Answer any **eight** questions. Each carries **2** marks.

11. Show that $\varphi: S_n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_2$ defined by $\varphi(\sigma) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an even permutation} \\ 1 & \text{if } \sigma \text{ is an odd permutation} \end{cases}$
12. If $\varphi: G \rightarrow G'$ is a group homomorphism, prove that $\ker(\varphi)$ is a normal subgroup of G .
13. Prove that every subgroup of an abelian group is normal.
14. Find all subgroups of S_3 that are conjugate to $\{i, \mu_2\}$.
15. Compute the factor group $(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_8) / \langle (0, 2) \rangle$.
16. If R is a ring with additive identity 0, then prove that $(-a)(-b) = ab$, for all $a, b \in R$.
17. Find a zero divisor of the matrix ring $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$.
18. Determine whether $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with addition and multiplication by components is a field.
19. Show that the fields \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{C} are not isomorphic.
20. Show that $2^{11 \cdot 2^{13}} - 1$ is not divisible by 11.
21. Use Fermat's theorem to find the remainder of 37^{49} , when it is divided by 7.
22. Let R be a commutative ring with unity of characteristic 4. Compute and simplify $(a+b)^4$ for $a, b \in R$.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – C

Answer any six questions. Each carries 4 marks.

23. Prove that a group homomorphism is a one-to-one map if and only if $\ker(\varphi) = \{0\}$.
24. Show that A_n is a normal subgroup of S_n and compute S_n / A_n .
25. Prove that factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
26. Prove that in the ring Z_n , the divisors of 0 are precisely those nonzero elements that are not relatively prime to n .
27. Solve the equation $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$ in Z_{12} .
28. Show that $a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$ for all a, b in a ring R if and only if R is commutative.
29. State and prove fundamental homomorphism theorem for rings.
30. Let R be a commutative ring let $a \in R$. Show that $I_a = \{x \in R / ax = 0\}$ is an ideal of R .
31. Let m be a positive integer and let $a \in Z_n$ be relatively prime to m . Prove that for each $b \in Z_m$, the equation $ax = b$ has a unique solution in Z_m .

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – D

Answer any two questions. Each carries 15 marks.

32. Let φ be a homomorphism of a group G into a group G' . Prove the following.
 - (a) If $a \in G$, then $\varphi(a^{-1}) = [\varphi(a)]^{-1}$
 - (b) If H is a subgroup of G , then $\varphi[H]$ is a subgroup of G' .
 - (c) If K' is a subgroup of G' , then $\varphi^{-1}(K')$ is a subgroup of G .

33. Let H be a subgroup of G . Prove that the left coset multiplication is well defined by the equation $(aH)(bH) = (ab)H$ if and only if H is a normal subgroup of G .
34. (a) Prove that every field F is an integral domain.
(b) Show that an intersection of subfields of a field F is again a subfield of F .
35. (a) Prove that if a is an integer relatively prime to n , then $a^{\varphi(n)} - 1$ is divisible by n .
(b) Find all solutions of the congruence $zx \equiv 6 \pmod{4}$.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)