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# **B.Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION: OCTOBER 2022**

#### SEMESTER 5: MATHEMATICS (CORE COURSE)

#### COURSE: 15U5CRMAT7: ABSTRACT ALGEBRA

(Common for Supplementary 2015/2016/2017/2018 admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

## PART A

### Each Question carries 1 Mark Answer All Questions

- 1. How many elements are there in the ring of matrices  $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_3)$ ?
- 2. Prove that the set  $G = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  is an abelian group under addition modulo 6.
- 3. Prove that a cyclic group of order eight is homomorphic to a cyclic group of order four.
- 4. Give an example for a non-commutative ring.
- 5. Prove that every permutation in  $S_n$  can be written as a product of at most (n-1) transpositions for  $n \ge 2$ .
- 6. Express the additive inverse of 21 in the group  $\langle \mathbb{Z}_{73, +73} \rangle$  as a positive integer in  $\mathbb{Z}_{73}$ .
- 7. State true or false: Null set forms a group.
- 8. Define canonical map from  $\mathbb{Z}$  to  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$
- 9. Which are the zero divisors in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ ?
- 10. Define a division ring.

#### PART B Each Question carries 2 Marks Answer any Eight

- 11. Show that arbitrary intersection of subgroups of a group G is a subgroup of G.
- 12. Prove that every cyclic group is abelian.
- 13. For given subrings U1 and U2 of a ring R, show that their intersection  $U1 \cap U2$  is also a subring of R.
- 14. Is -1 the generator of the cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}$ ? If yes, describe how to generate 3 using the the generator -1.
- 15. Show that if  $a \in G$ , where G is a finite group with identity e, then there exist a positive integer n such that  $a^n = e$ .
- 16. Define Klein 4 group and draw its group table.
- 17. Determine all ideals of  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ .
- 18. If G is a finite group of even order then prove that there exists at least one element  $a \neq e$  where e is the identity element, such that  $a = a^{-1}$ .
- 19. Prove: Every group of prime order is cyclic.
- 20. Let f = (1 4 3 2 5) and  $g = (1 2)(4 3 5) \in S_5$  find fog and gof.

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$ 

### PART C Each Question carries 5 Marks Answer Any Five

- 21. Draw the group table of a cyclic group of order 5.
- 22. Define an automorphism of a group. Show that all automorphisms of a group G form a group under function composition.
- 23. State and prove characterisation of maximal normal subgroups.
- 24. Let  $G = \{1, a, a^2, a^3\}$  ( $a^4 = 1$ ) be a group and  $H = \{1, a^2\}$  is a subgroup of G under multiplication. Find all cosets of H.
- 25. If 'p' is prime prove that  $\mathbb{Z}p$  is a field.
- 26. Prove: If a ring R can be partitioned into cells with both the induced operations well defined and if the cells form a ring under these induced operations, then the cell containing additive identity 0 of R will be a subgroup N of the additive group (R, +). Furthermore,  $\forall r \in R$  and  $\forall n \in N$ , both  $rn \in N$  and  $nr \in N$ .
- 27. Let S be the set of all real numbers except -1. Define \* on S by a \* b = a + b + ab. Show that (S, \*) forms a group. (5 x 5 = 25)

## PART D Each Question carries 12 Marks Answer Any Two

- 28. State and prove fundamental theorem for group homomorphism.
- 29. State and prove Cayley's Theorem.
- 30. Prove: No permutation of a finite set can be expressed both as a product of an even number of transpositions and as a product of an odd number of transpositions.
- 31. State and prove any necessary and sufficient condition for any subset of a group to become a subgroup under the same group operation. (12 x 2 = 24)