

U.G. 4th Semester Examination - 2020

MATHEMATICS

[GENERIC ELECTIVE]

Course Code : MTMH-GE-T-4

Full Marks : 60

Time : $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.

The symbols and notations have their usual meanings.

1. Answer any **ten** questions: 2×10=20
- a) In Z_6 , which of the following equivalence classes are equal $[-1], [2], [8], [5], [-2], [11], [23]$.
 - b) If a be an element of a group and $o(a) = 20$. Find the order of the element a^8 .
 - c) If a cyclic group G has only one generator. Then prove that either $o(G) = 1$ or $o(G) = 2$.
 - d) Let G be a group and $a \in G$. Prove that $\langle a \rangle$ is a normal subgroup of G .
 - e) Prove that each element in the group $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ is its own inverse.
 - f) Prove that every group of order less than 6 is abelian.

- g) If G be a cyclic group of order 1000 find the number of generators of the group.
- h) Prove that the center of a group G is a subgroup of the group G .
- i) Prove that $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ is non-cyclic.
- j) Find all cyclic subgroups of S_3 .
- k) Let G be a group and H be a subgroup of G . Then prove that for any $h \in H \Rightarrow Hh = H$.
- l) Show that the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 2b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ contains divisor of zero.
- m) Prove that every Boolean ring is commutative.
- n) Give an example of a finite ring R containing divisors of zero and a subring S of R containing no divisor of zero.
- o) Let $G = \langle a \rangle$ be a group of order n . If m is a positive divisor of n , prove that $O\langle a^m \rangle = \frac{n}{m}$.

2. Answer any **four** questions: 5×4=20
- a) Suppose that M and N are two normal subgroups of G and such that $M \cap N = \{e\}$. Show that every element of N commutes with every element M .

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- b) Prove that a non-commutative group of order $2n$, where n is an odd prime, must have a subgroup of order n .
- c) If H is a normal subgroup of G . Prove that the quotient group G/H is abelian if and only if $xyx^{-1}y^{-1} \in H$ for all $x, y \in G$.
- d) Let (G, o) be a semigroup and for any two elements $a, b \in G$, each of the equations $aox=b$ and $yoa = b$ has a solution in G . Then show that (G, o) is a group.
- e) Prove that the characteristic of an integral domain is either zero or a prime number.
- f) Prove that the set $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ is a subring of the ring $M_2(\mathbb{R})$. Examine if the subring contains unity and divisor of zero.

3. Answer any **two** questions: 10×2=20

- a) i) Let (G,o) be group and H, K are two subgroups of (G, o) . Then show that $H \cup K$ is a subgroup of (G, o) if and only if either $H \subset K$ or $K \subset H$.
- ii) If (G, o) be a group in which $(aob)^3 = a^3ob^3$ and $(aob)^5 = a^5ob^5$ for all $a, b \in G$, prove that the group is abelian.

- b) i) If H be a subgroup of a cyclic group G , then show that the quotient group G/H is cyclic.
- ii) A group G has exactly m distinct subgroups of prime order p . Prove that the total number of elements of order p in G is $m(p-1)$.
- c) i) If D is an integral domain and $a^m = b^m, a^n = b^n$ for all $a, b \in D$, where m, n are positive integers relatively prime, prove that $a = b$.
- ii) If a be a fixed element in a ring R and let $C(a) = \{x \in R : xa = ax\}$. Prove that $C(a)$ is subring of R .