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**B.Sc.DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS**

**FOURTH SEMESTER – APRIL 2018**

**MT 4503– ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE - I**

Date: 09-05-2018

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00-12:00

**PART –A**

**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS:**

**(10 X 2 = 20)**

1. Define equivalence class.
2. Let  $G = \{1, -1\}$  under the multiplication of real numbers, then prove that  $G$  is an abelian group of order 2.
3. If  $G$  is a finite group of order  $n$  and  $a \in G$ , then prove that  $a^n = e$ .
4. State Fermat theorem.
5. Define an automorphism of a group.
6. Prove that  $(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)(1, 2, 3)$  is an even permutation.
7. If a ring  $R$  has a unit element, then prove that it is unique.
8. Define left-ideal.
9. Define Euclidean ring.
10. Define prime element.

**PART - B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS:**

**(5 X 8 = 40)**

11. If  $H$  and  $K$  are any two nonempty subsets of a group  $G$ , then prove that  $(HK)^{-1} = K^{-1}H^{-1}$ .
12. If  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of  $G$ , then prove that  $H \cap K$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
13. If  $G$  is a group and  $a, x \in G$ , then prove that  $a$  and  $x^{-1}ax$  have the same order.
14. If  $f$  is a homomorphism of a group  $G$  into a group  $G'$ , then prove that kernel of  $f$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

15. Let  $H$  and  $N$  be subgroups of a group  $G$ , and suppose that  $N$  is normal in  $G$ , then

$$\text{prove that } \frac{HN}{N} \cong \frac{H}{H \cap N}.$$

16. If  $R$  is a ring, for all  $a, b \in R$ , then prove that

- (i)  $a0 = 0a = 0$ .
- (ii)  $(-a)b = a(-b) = -(ab)$ .
- (iii)  $(-a)(-b) = ab$ .

17. Prove that every Euclidean ring is a principal ideal domain (PID).

18. Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity, and  $P$  an ideal of  $R$ . Then prove that  $P$  is a prime ideal of  $R$  if and only if  $\frac{R}{P}$  is an integral domain.

### PART – C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS:

(2 X 20 = 40)

19. a) If  $H$  and  $K$  are finite subgroups of a group  $G$ , then prove that

$$o(HK) = \frac{o(H)o(K)}{o(H \cap K)}.$$

b) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.

20. a) If  $G$  being a group, let  $Z(G) = \{z \in G / zx = xz \text{ for all } x \in G\}$ , show that  $Z(G)$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .

b) Prove that any infinite cyclic group  $G$  is isomorphic to the group  $Z$  of integers under addition.

21. a) Let  $f$  be a homomorphism of a group  $G$  onto a group  $G'$  with kernel  $K$ . Let  $N'$  be a normal subgroup of  $G'$  and let  $N = \{x \in G / f(x) \in N'\}$ . Prove that  $G/N \cong G'/N'$ .

b) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.

22. a) State and prove fundamental theorem of ring homomorphism.

b) An ideal of the Euclidean ring  $R$  is a maximal ideal of  $R$  if and only if it is generated by a prime element of  $R$ .

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