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V Semester B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS- Reg./Sup./Imp.) Examination, November - 2019

(2014 Admn. Onwards)

Core Course in Mathematics

5B 06 MAT: ABSTRACT ALGEBRA

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 48

SECTION - A

Answer All Questions, Each question carries One Mark. (4×1=4)

- 1. Is the usual addition a binary operation on the set of all prime numbers? Justify your answer.
- 2. Define orbits of a permutation σ of a set A.
- 3. Define normal subgroup of a group G. Given an example.
- 4. What is the characteristic of the ring of real numbers under usual addition and multiplication?

SECTION - B

Answer any Eight Questions, Each question carries Two Marks.

(8×2=16)

- 5. Prove that every cyclic group is abelian.
- 6. Show that a nonempty subset *H* of group G is a subgroup of *G* if and only if $ab^{-1} \in H$ for all $a, b \in H$.
- 7. Describe S_n , the symmetric group on *n* letters.
- 8. Find the index of $\langle 3 \rangle$ in the group Z_{24} .

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- 9. Prove that the identity permutation in S_n is an even permutation for $n \ge 2$.
- 10. Determine the number of group homomorphisms from z onto z.
- 11. Find the characteristic of the ring $Z_6 \times Z_{21}$.
- 12. Prove that every field is an integral domain.
- 13. Define a ring and give an example of a finite ring which is not an integral domain.
- 14. Find the remainder of 8103 when divided by 13.

SECTION - C

Answer any Four Questions, Each question carries four Marks.(4×4=16)

- **15.** Show that every finite cyclic group of order *n* is isomorphic to $\langle Z_n, +_n \rangle$.
- 16. Show that the set of all permutations of any nonempty set A is group under permutation multiplication.
- 17. Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.
- **18.** Let φ be a homomorphism of a group G into G'. Then prove the following:
 - a) If $a \in G$, prove that $\varphi(a^{-1}) = (\varphi(a))^{-1}$
 - b) If H is a subgroup of G, then $\phi[H]$ is a subgroup of G'
- 19. Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.
- **20.** Prove that in the ring Z_n the divisors of 0 are precisely those nonzero elements that are not relatively prime to n.

SECTION - D

Answer any Two Questions, Each Question carries Six Marks.(2×6=12)

- 21. a) Define the greatest common divisor of two positive integers. Also find the quotient and remainder when 50 is divided by 8 according to division algorithm.
 - b) Prove that subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.

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- 22. a) State and prove Lagrange's Theorem.
 - b) Prove that the collection of all even permutations of $\{1,2,3,\ldots,n\}$ forms a subgroup of order $\frac{n!}{2}$ of the symmetric group $S_n; n \ge 2$.
- 23. a) State and prove the fundamental homomorphism theorem.
 - b) Show that a group homomorphism is one-one if and only if its kernel consists of only the identity element.
- 24. a) Show that the cancellation law holds in a ring iff it has no divisors of 0.

b) Show that the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ is a divisor of 0 in $M_2(z)$.