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Mathematics

MAT 5B 06—ABSTRACT ALGEBRA

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 120 Marks

Section A

Answer all questions.

Each question carries 1 mark.

1. Define a Group.
2. Fill in the blanks : The units in the ring of integers \mathbb{Z} are _____.
3. Write the order of the permutation $(1, 2)(1\ 9\ 8)$ in S_9 .
4. Give an example of a finite group of order 4 which is not cyclic.
5. Calculate the remainder obtained when 45^{72} is divided by 73.
6. Find the inverse of the product $(7, 5)(2, 5, 7)$ in S_7 . Is the inverse a cycle ?
7. What is the characteristic of the ring $\langle \mathbb{Z}_9, +, \times \rangle$.
8. Give an example for an integral domain which is not a field.
9. What is the necessary condition for a homomorphism ϕ from a group G to G' to be injective.
10. Define normal subgroup of a group.
11. What is the index of A_n in S_n .
12. Define a cyclic group and give an example.

(12 × 1 = 12 marks)

Section B

Answer at least eight questions.

Each question carries 6 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall Ceiling 48.

13. Write criteria to be checked to determine whether a function $\phi : S \rightarrow S'$ is an isomorphism of a binary structure $\langle S, * \rangle$ with $\langle S', *' \rangle$.

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14. Is \mathbb{Z}^+ a group under usual addition ? Establish your claim.
15. Solve : $x^2 - 1 = 0$ in the field \mathbb{Z}_p .
16. Show that every field is an integral domain.
17. Find the multiplicative inverse of 53 in \mathbb{Z}_{57} .
18. Construct group table for the Klein group. What is the order of every element in this group ?
19. Define kernel of a group homomorphism. Find the $\ker(\phi)$ for $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $\phi(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
20. Define a ring. Give an example of a non-commutative ring.
21. Define center of a group and show that center of the symmetric group S_3 is the trivial group.
22. In any ring R , show that $a \cdot 0 = 0 = 0 \cdot a$ and $a \cdot (-b) = -(a \cdot b)$ for all a, b in R .
23. Show that for any group, its identity element and inverse of any element are unique.
24. Evaluate the product of (2, 3) and (3, 5) in $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_9$.
25. Show that $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$ in a ring R if and only if R is commutative.
26. Define factor group and give an example.

(8 × 6 = 48 marks)

Section C

Answer at least five questions.

Each question carries 9 marks.

All questions can be attended.

Overall Ceiling 45.

27. Show that the binary structure $\langle \mathbb{R}, + \rangle$ with operation the usual addition is isomorphic to the structure $\langle \mathbb{R}^+, \cdot \rangle$ where \cdot is the usual multiplication.
28. (a) State and prove Lagrange's theorem ; and (b) Establish one of its corollary.
29. Show that the subset S of $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ consisting of all invertible $n \times n$ matrices under matrix multiplication is a group.
30. Show that every permutation σ of a finite set is a product of disjoint cycles.

31. Let G and G' be groups and let $\phi: G \rightarrow G'$ be one to one function such that $\phi(xy) = \phi(x)\phi(y)$ for all $x, y \in G$. Then prove that $\phi[G]$ is a subgroup of G' and ϕ provides an isomorphism of G with $\phi[G]$.
32. Show that subgroup a cyclic group is cyclic.
33. Show that M is a maximal normal subgroup of G if and only if G/M is simple.
34. Show that the cancellation law in a ring R holds if and only if it has no zero divisors.
35. Find all solutions of the congruence $12x \equiv 27 \pmod{18}$.

(5 × 9 = 45 marks)

Section D

Answer any **one** question.

The question carries 15 marks.

36. (a) Show that $|\langle a^s \rangle| = |\langle a^t \rangle|$ if and only if $\text{g.c.d}(n, s) = \text{g.c.d}(n, t)$ where $n = |\langle a \rangle|$.
- (b) Show that the only subgroups of \mathbb{Z} are the form $n\mathbb{Z}$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.
37. State Cayley's theorem and give the proof in detail.
38. (a) Show that any two fields of quotients of an integral domain are isomorphic.
- (b) Prove or disprove : Factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.

(1 × 15 = 15 marks)