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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023**

(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH 1C 01—ALGEBRA—I

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

Section A (Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer all questions.

Each question carries a weightage 1.

1. Find the order of $(2, 6)$ in the group $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{12}$.
2. List all abelian groups up to isomorphism of order 16.
3. Let X be a G -set. Prove that G_x is a subgroup of G for each $x \in X$.
4. Let $\phi : \mathbb{Z}_{12} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_3$ be the homomorphism, where $\phi(1) = 2$. Find $\text{Ker } \phi$.
5. Find isomorphic refinements of $\{0\} < 10\mathbb{Z} < \mathbb{Z}$ and $\{0\} < 25\mathbb{Z} < \mathbb{Z}$.
6. Find the number of Sylow 3-Subgroups of a group of order 54.
7. Give a presentation of \mathbb{Z}_4 involving three generators.
8. Find the multiplicative inverse of $1 + i + 2j + k$ in the ring of quaternions.

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

Turn over



Section B (Paragraph Type Questions)

*Answer any two questions from each module.
Each question carries a weightage 2.*

MODULE I

9. If H is a normal subgroup of a group G , then show that the left coset multiplication is well defined by the equation $(aH)(bH) = abH$.
10. List all elements of $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$. Is this group cyclic. Justify.
11. Prove that factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
12. Find all composition series of \mathbb{Z}_{48} .
13. Prove that every group of prime power order is solvable.
14. Prove that every group is a homomorphic image of a free group.

MODULE II

MODULE III

15. Let $\phi_\pi : \mathbb{Q}[x] + \mathbb{R}$ be the evaluation homomorphism with $\phi_\pi(x) = \pi$. Find the kernel of ϕ_π .
16. Factorize the polynomial $f(x) = 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 7x - 5$ into linear factors in $\mathbb{Z}_{11}[x]$.
17. Prove that $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_n$.

$$(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ marks})$$

Section C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

Each question carries a weightage 5.

18. a) Define decomposable group. Prove that the finite indecomposable abelian groups are exactly the cyclic groups with order a power of a prime.
- b) If X is a G -set, then prove that the function $\sigma_g : X \rightarrow X$ defined by $\sigma_g(x) = gx$ is a permutation on X . Also show that the map $\phi : G \rightarrow S_X$ defined by $\phi(g) = \sigma_g$ is a homomorphism.

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- a) State and prove First Sylow Theorem.
 - b) Prove that no group of order 15 is simple
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- a) Let H and K be normal subgroups of a group G with $K \leq H$. Show that $G/H \cong G/K / H/K$.
 - b) Find the ascending central series of the group S_3 .
 - a) State and prove Eisenstein Criterion for irreducibility of a polynomial.
 - b) Show that the polynomial $x^5 + 6x^3 + 4x + 10$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} .

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)