



First Year M.Sc. Degree Examination, October 2012
(R.S. Scheme)
MATHEMATICS
Paper – I : Algebra

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 90

Instructions : 1) Answer any five questions choosing at least one from each Part.

2) All questions carry equal marks.

PART – A

1. a) Define a normal subgroup of a group G . Prove that the subgroup N of G is a normal subgroup of G if and only if product of two right cosets of G is again a right coset of G . 6

b) If N and M are normal subgroups of a group G , then prove that

$$\frac{o(NM)}{o(M)} = \frac{o(N)}{o(N \cap M)}.$$

c) State and prove Cayley's theorem for finite groups. 6

2. a) Verify the class equation for dihedral group D_8 . 6

b) Define p -Sylow subgroups of a group. Show that any two p -Sylow subgroups are conjugate to each other. 6

c) Let G be a group of order pq , where p and q are distinct primes with $p < q$ and $q \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$, then prove that G is abelian. 6

PART – B

3. a) Define an integral domain. Show that a finite integral domain is a field. 6

b) Define :

i) subring

ii) ideal of a ring. Show that any ideal S of a ring R is an ideal of a subring of R containing S . Deduce that an ideal S of a ring R is an ideal of $S + T$, where T is any subring of R . 6

c) If R is a commutative ring with unity, then prove that an ideal M of R is maximal if and only if R/M is a field. 6

a) Prove that every integral domain can be imbedded into a field. 6

b) Define an Euclidean ring. Prove that $z [i]$ is an Euclidean ring. 6

c) State and prove Einstein criteria for irreducibility of a polynomial. 6

PART - C

a) Define the degree of an extension K of a field F . If L is a finite extension of K and if K is a finite extension of F , then prove that L is a finite extension of F .
More over $[L : F] = [L : K][K : F]$. 6

b) Prove that a polynomial of degree n over a field F can have at most n -roots in any extension field K of F . 6

c) Define a splitting field of a polynomial $f(x) \in F[x]$. Determine the splitting field of $x^3 - 2$. 6

a) Prove that a polynomial $f(x) \in F[x]$ has a multiple root if and only if $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ have a non-trivial common factor. 6

b) If K is a finite Galois extension of a field F and if $G(K, F)$ is the group of all F -automorphisms of K , prove that $\sigma(G(K, F)) = [K : F]$. 6

c) Let K be a Galois extension of a field F and let L be an intermediate field of F and K . Prove that L is a normal extension of F if and only if $G(K, L)$ is a normal subgroup of $G(K, F)$. 6

PART - D

a) If V is an n -dimensional vectorspace over F , then show that for a given T in $A(V)$, there exists a non trivial polynomial $q(x) \in F[x]$ of degree atmost n^2 such that $q(T) = 0$. 6

b) Define a characteristic root of $T \in A(V)$. Prove that the element $\lambda \in F$ is a characteristic root of $T \in A(V)$ if and only if for some $v \neq 0$ in V , $vT = \lambda v$. 6

c) Prove that two nilpotent linear transformations are similar if and only if they have the same invariants. 6



Suppose $V = V_1 \oplus V_2$, where V_1 and V_2 are subspaces invariant under T . T_1, T_2 are linear transformations induced by T on V_1 and V_2 , respectively. $P_1(x), P_2(x)$ are minimal polynomials of T_1 and T_2 , prove that the minimal polynomial of T is l.c.m. of $P_1(x)$ and $P_2(x)$.

Define the unitary transformation $T \in A(V)$. Prove that the linear transformation on V is unitary if and only if it takes an orthogonal basis of V into an orthogonal basis of V .

Prove that a Hermitian linear transformation $T \in A(V)$ is positive if and only if its eigen values are positive.