

**Punjab Technical University**  
**Master of Computer Application Examination**

**MCA 5<sup>th</sup> Semester ADVANCED COURSE – II**

**Time: Three hours Maximum: 100 marks**

**Answer any FIVE questions. All questions carry equal marks.**

1. (a) State and prove fundamental theorem for homomorphism of rings.  
(b) Show that an ideal  $M$  of a ring  $R$  is maximal if and only if  $R/M$  is a field.
2. (a) Show that any two elements  $a$  and  $b$  in a Euclidean ring  $R$  have a greatest common divisor.  
(b) Let  $F$  be a field. Prove that the ring of polynomials  $F[x]$  over  $F$  is an Euclidean ring.
3. (a) State and prove Eisenstein irreducibility criterion.  
(b) If  $R$  is a unique factorization domain, then show that  $R[x]$  is also a unique factorization domain.
4. (a) Define a generating set in a vector space. Show that  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a minimal generating set of a vector space  $V$  if and only if it is a basis of  $V$ .  
(b) If  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$ , then prove that  $\dim(V_1 + V_2) = \dim V_1 + \dim V_2 - \dim(V_1 \cap V_2)$ .
5. (a) If  $V$  and  $W$  are vector spaces of dimensions  $m$  and  $n$  respectively over  $F$ , then show that  $\text{Hom}(V, W)$  is of dimension  $mn$  over  $F$ .  
(b) If  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space and  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$  is in  $V$ , prove that there is an element  $r \in V^*$  ( $V^*$  is the dual of  $V$ ), such that  $r(v) = 1$ .
6. (a) Show that  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$  if and only if  $R$ -module,  
(i)  $M = M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_n$   
(ii)  $M_i \cap (M_1 \oplus M_2 \oplus \dots \oplus M_{i-1} \oplus M_{i+1} \oplus \dots \oplus M_n) = (0)$  for all  $i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .  
(b) Let  $M$  be a finitely generated module over a principal ideal domain  $R$ . Show that  $M$  can be expressed as  $M \cong F \oplus B(M)$ , where  $F$  is free.
7. (a) Let  $F \subseteq K \subseteq L$  be field extensions such that  $K/F$  and  $L/K$  are finite. Then prove that  $L/F$  is finite, and  $[L:F] = [L:K][K:F]$ .  
(b) Let  $K$  be an extension of a field  $F$  and  $a \in K$ . Then show that  $a$  is algebraic over  $F$  if and only if  $F(a)$  is a finite extension of  $F$ .
8. (a) Let  $f(x)$  be any polynomial of degree  $n \geq 1$  over a field  $F$ . Prove that there is an extension  $K$  of  $F$  of degree at most  $n!$  in which  $f(x)$  has  $n$  roots.  
(b) Obtain a splitting field of  $x^4 - 2$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
9. State and prove the fundamental theorem of Galois theory.
10. (a) Prove that the field of complex numbers is algebraically closed.  
(b) Show that for every prime number  $p$  and  $n \geq 1$ , there exists a field with  $p^n$  elements.