



First Semester M.Sc. Examination, January 2015
(Y2K11 (RNS) Scheme)
MATHEMATICS
M 101 : Algebra – I

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

Instructions : 1) Answer **any 5** questions, choosing **at least 2** from **each** Part.
2) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

PART – A

1. a) Define permutation on a set. Show that every permutation on a finite set is a product of disjoint cycles. 5
- b) Let $\phi: G \rightarrow \bar{G}$ be an epimorphism with kernel K and let N be a normal subgroup of G . Then prove that $\frac{G/K}{N/K} \approx \frac{G/N}{K/N}$. 5
- c) Show that every group is isomorphic to a subgroup of $A(S)$, for some appropriate S . 6
2. a) State and prove the orbit-stabilizer theorem. 5
- b) Derive the class equation for finite groups. 6
- c) By using the generator-relator form of D_8 ; find the conjugacy class of all the elements of the dicyclic group D_8 . 5
3. a) State and prove the Cauchy's theorem for abelian groups. 6
- b) Show that any two p -sylow subgroups are conjugate to each other. 6
- c) Let $o(G) = pq$, where p and q are distinct primes with $p < q$ and $q \not\equiv 1 \pmod{p}$. Then prove that G is cyclic. 4
4. a) Define a solvable group. Prove that every subgroup of a solvable group is solvable. 6
- b) Show that a normal subgroup N of G is maximal if and only if the quotient group G/N is simple. 6
- c) Show that the symmetric group S_3 is not simple. 4

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PART – B

5. a) Define integral domain and field. Prove that every finite integral domain is a field. **6**
- b) If U is an ideal of a ring R , let $[R : U] = \{x \in R : r x \in U \forall r \in R\}$. Prove that $[R : U]$ is an ideal of R containing U . **5**
- c) Show that a homomorphism ϕ of a ring R onto a ring R' is an isomorphism if and only if $\ker \phi = \{0\}$. **5**
6. a) Show that a ring \mathbb{Z} of integers is a principle ideal ring. **4**
- b) Define maximal ideal of a ring. If R is a commutative ring with unit element and M is an ideal of R , then show that M is a maximal ideal of R if and only if R/M is a field. **6**
- c) Prove that in a principal ideal ring, every non-zero prime ideal is maximal ideal. **6**
7. a) Define field of quotients of an integral domain D . Show that any two isomorphic integral domains have isomorphic quotient fields. **6**
- b) Let R be a euclidean ring. Then show that any two elements a and b in R have a gcd 'd'. More over $d = \lambda a + \mu b$ for some $\lambda, \mu \in R$. **4**
- c) If p is a prime number of the form $4n+1$, prove that $p = a^2 + b^2$ for some integers a, b . **6**
8. a) Define an irreducible polynomial in $F[X]$. Explain by an example that an ideal generated by an irreducible polynomial in $F[X]$ is a maximal ideal in $F[X]$. **6**
- b) State and prove Eisenstein criterion for irreducibility of a polynomial. **6**
- c) If p is a prime number, prove that the polynomial $x^n - p$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} . **4**
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