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**B. Sc. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S) EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2018**  
**(2016 Admission Regular & 2015 Admission Supplementary)**  
**SEMESTER V- CORE COURSE (MATHEMATICS)**  
**MT5B07B - ABSTRACT ALGEBRA**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

**PART A**

**I. Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark.**

1. On  $Z$  define  $*$  by  $a * b = a - b$ . Check whether  $*$  is a binary operation on  $Z$ .
2. Compute the subgroup  $\langle 3 \rangle$  of the group  $Z_5$  under addition modulo 5.
3. Express the permutation  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 5 & 3 & 6 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  as a product of disjoint cycles
4. Define a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ .
5. Is the set of all complex numbers with usual addition and multiplication a ring,
6. Find the characteristic of the ring  $Z$ .

(6x1=6)

**PART B**

**II. Answer any seven questions. Each question carries 2 marks.**

7. If  $G$  is a group with binary operation  $*$  and if  $a$  and  $b$  are any elements of  $G$ , then prove that the linear equations  $a * x = b$  has a unique solution in  $G$
8. Write the proper subgroups of Klein four group.
9. Compute  $(1, 4, 5) (7, 8) (2, 1) (2, 5, 7) \dots$
10. Find all the cosets of  $5Z$  of  $Z$
11. If  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  is a group homomorphism, then prove that  $\text{Ker } \phi$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ .
12. Prove that a group isomorphism maps identity onto identity and inverses onto inverses.
13. Find the number of elements in the cyclic sub group of  $Z_{30}$  generated by 25.
14. Find  $\phi(18)$  for  $\phi : Z \rightarrow Z_{10}$  such that  $\phi(1) = 6$
15. Prove that every field  $F$  is an Integral Domain.
16. Find all divisors of zero in  $Z_6$ .

(7X2=14)

**PART C**

**III. Answer any five questions. Each question carries 6 marks.**

17. If  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups of an abelian group  $G$ , then is  $H \cup K$  a subgroup of  $G$ ?
18. Prove that every permutation of a finite set  $A$  is a product of disjoint cycles.
19. Prove that a sub group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
20. Let  $G$  be a cyclic group with  $n$  elements and generated by  $a$ . Let  $b \in G$  and  $b = a^s$ , then  $b$  generates a cyclic subgroup  $H$  containing  $\frac{n}{d}$  elements, where  $d$  is the g.c.d of  $n$  and  $s$ .
21. Prove that any infinite cyclic group  $G$  is isomorphic to the group  $Z$  of integers under

addition.

22. Prove that a homomorphism  $\phi$  of a group  $G$  is a one-one function iff  $\text{Ker } \phi = \{e\}$ .
23. Solve  $3x=2$  in the field  $Z_7$ .
24. a). Define a field.  
b). Prove that cancellation laws hold in a ring  $R$  if and only if  $R$  has no divisors of 0.

(5x6= 30)

#### PART D

#### IV. Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

25. a) Is the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices a group under matrix addition and multiplication.  
b) Define a general linear group.  
c). Prove that intersection of two subgroups of a group  $G$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
26. a) State and prove Cayley's Theorem.  
b) Prove that for  $n \geq 2$ , the number of even permutations in  $S_n$  is same as the number of odd permutations.
27. a) State Fundamental Homomorphism theorem for groups.  
b) Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . Then  $\gamma : G \rightarrow G'$  given by  $\gamma(x) = xH$  is a homomorphism with Kernel  $H$ .  
c) Find the order of  $(8, 4, 10)$  in the group  $Z_{12} \times Z_{60} \times Z_{24}$ .
28. a) Define a normal group.  
b) Let  $\phi : G \rightarrow G'$  be a group homomorphism, let  $H = \text{Ker } \phi$ . Let  $a \in G$ . Then the set  $\phi^{-1}[\{\phi(a)\}] = \{x \in G \mid \phi(x) = \phi(a)\}$  is the left coset  $aH$  of  $H$ .  
c) Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . Then show that the cosets of  $H$  form a group  $G/H$  under the binary operation  $(aH)(bH) = (ab)H$ .

(2x15=30)