

## BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

## 2022 ADMISSIONS REGULAR

## SEMESTER V - CORE COURSE (MATHEMATICS )

## MT5B08B18 - Abstract Algebra

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

## Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks

(10x2=20)

1. Give an example of an abelian group which is not cyclic.
2. Calculate the number of different commutative binary operations that can be defined on a set S of two elements ?
3. Define transposition.
4. Define the orbits of a permutation.
5. List the generators of a cyclic group having order 16.
6. Compute the gcd of 58 and 68.
7. Define normal subgroup.
8. Define inner automorphism of a group G.
9. Find the index of  $\langle 3 \rangle$  in the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{24}$
10. Let  $\mu = (1, 2, 4, 5)(3, 6)$  in  $S_6$ . Find the index of  $\langle \mu \rangle$  in  $S_6$ .
11. Define the characteristic of a ring.
12. Determine whether the matrix ring  $M_2(\mathbb{Z}_2)$  have divisors of zero?

## Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks

(6x5=30)

13. Show that the inverse of each element is unique in a group.
14. Let G be the multiplicative group of all invertible  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $\mathbb{C}$  and let T be the subset of G consisting of those matrices with determinant 1. Show that T is a subgroup of G.
15. Prove or disprove: A group is cyclic if and only if it is abelian.
16. Let A be a nonempty set and let  $S_A$  be the collection of all permutations of A. Deduce that  $S_A$  is a group under permutation multiplication.
17. Find all subgroups of  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$  and draw the lattice diagram
18. Let  $\phi$  be a homomorphism of a group G into a group  $G'$ . If  $K'$  is a subgroup of  $G' \cap \phi[G]$ , then prove that  $\phi^{-1}[K']$  is a subgroup of G.
19. Find all cosets of the subgroup  $\langle 18 \rangle$  of  $\mathbb{Z}_{36}$
20. Define ideal. Show that  $n\mathbb{Z}$  is an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
21. If R is a ring with additive identity 0, then deduce that
  1.  $a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab)$
  2.  $(-a)(-b) = ab$

## Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

22. Let  $F$  be the set of all real-valued functions with domain  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $\tilde{F}$  be the subset of  $F$  consisting of those functions that have a nonzero value at every point in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Determine whether the given subset of  $F$  with the induced operation is a subgroup of the group  $F$  under addition.
- The subset of all  $f \in \tilde{F}$  such that  $f(1) = 0$
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23. a) Explain permutation and its orbits. b) Explain identity permutation. Compute the orbits of the identity permutation on 5 letters. c) Illustrate the definition of cycle with an example. Is multiplication of cycles commutative? Justify your answer.
24. If  $n \geq 2$ , establish that the collection of all even permutations of  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  forms a subgroup of order  $\frac{n!}{2}$  of the symmetric group  $S_n$ .
25. Establish that  $M$  is a maximal normal subgroup of a group  $G$  if and only if  $G/M$  is simple.