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(6th Semester)

MATHEMATICS

Paper : Math-361

(Modern Algebra)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(*Marks : 25*)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **all** questions

SECTION—A

(*Marks : 10*)

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided :

1×10=10

1. A subgroup H of a group G is a normal subgroup of G if

- (a) H is of index 1 in G ()
- (b) H is of index 2 in G ()
- (c) H is of index 3 in G ()
- (d) H is of index infinity in G ()

2. If the order of a group G with centre Z is p^n , where p is a prime number, then

(a) $Z = \{e\}$ ()

(b) $Z = e$ ()

(c) $Z = \{e\}$ ()

(d) $Z =$ ()

3. A skew field

(a) is necessarily commutative ()

(b) has no zero divisors ()

(c) may not possess the unity element ()

(d) has no invertible element ()

4. The characteristic of the ring (I_6, \oplus, \otimes) where $I_6 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ is

(a) 0 ()

(b) 3 ()

(c) 6 ()

(d) infinite ()

5. A non-zero integer has

(a) no associates ()

(b) exactly one associate ()

(c) exactly two associates ()

(d) infinite number of associates ()

6. Let a and b be two elements of a Euclidean ring R . If b is a unit in R , then

(a) $d(ab) = d(a)$ ()

(b) $d(ab) = d(a)$ ()

(c) $d(ab) = d(a)$ ()

(d) $d(ab) = d(b)$ ()

7. Which of the following is not a subspace of R^3 , where R is the set of all real numbers?

(a) $S = \{(x, y, z) : x + z = 0\}$ ()

(b) $S = \{(x, y, z) : x + y + 2z = 0\}$ ()

(c) $S = \{(x, y, z) : x = 0\}$ ()

(d) $S = \{(x, y, z) : x + 3y \in R\}$ ()

8. The necessary and sufficient condition of a vector space $V(F)$ to be a direct sum of its two subspaces U and W is

(a) $V = U + W$ and $U \cap W = \{0\}$ ()

(b) $V = UW$ and $U \cap W = \{0\}$ ()

(c) $V = U + W$ and $U \cap W = \{0\}$ ()

(d) $V = U + W$ and $U \cap W = \{0\}$ ()

9. If A and B are similar matrices, then

(a) $|A - I| = |B - I|$ ()

(b) $|A + I| = |B + I|$ ()

(c) $|A - I| = |B + I|$ ()

(d) $|A + I| = |B - I|$ ()

10. An $n \times n$ matrix A over the field F is diagonalizable if and only if

(a) A has n linearly dependent eigenvectors ()

(b) A has n linearly independent eigenvectors ()

(c) A has n^2 linearly dependent eigenvectors ()

(d) A has n^2 linearly independent eigenvectors ()

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Answer the following questions :

3×5=15

1. Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is a normal subgroup of G if and only if the product of two right cosets of H in G is a right coset of H in G .
2. Show that every ideal of a ring R is a subring of R but the converse is not necessarily true.
3. Prove that any two non-zero elements of an integral domain with unity are associates if and only if they are divisors of each other.

4. Prove that every linearly independent subset of a finitely generated vector space V is either a basis of V or can be extended to form a basis of V .
5. Prove that two eigenvectors of a square matrix A over a field F corresponding to two distinct eigenvalues of A are linearly independent.

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **five** questions, taking **one** from each Unit

UNIT—1

1. (a) If H is a normal subgroup of G and K be a normal subgroup of G containing H , then prove that $\frac{G}{K} \cong \frac{G/H}{K/H}$. 7
- (b) Let f be an isomorphic mapping of a group G into a group G . Show that the order of an element of G is equal to the order of its image. 3
2. State the fundamental theorem on homomorphism of groups. Prove that the set of all inner automorphisms of a group G is a normal subgroup of the group of its automorphisms and is isomorphic to the quotient group G/Z , where Z is the center of G . 2+8=10

UNIT—2

3. (a) Prove that a finite commutative ring without zero divisors is a field. 5
- (b) Show that a commutative ring with unity is a field if it has no proper ideal. 5

4. (a) Prove that in a commutative ring R , an ideal S of R is prime if and only if the factor ring R/S is an integral domain. 5
- (b) Prove that the ring of integers is a principal ideal domain. 5

UNIT—3

5. (a) Let R be a Euclidean ring and a and b be any two elements in T , not both of which are zero. Then prove that a and b have a greatest common divisor d which can be expressed in the form $d = a\alpha + b\beta$, for some $\alpha, \beta \in R$. 7
- (b) Show that every field is a Euclidean ring. 3
6. (a) Prove that an ideal S of a Euclidean ring R is maximal if and only if S is generated by some prime element of R . 6
- (b) Prove that the necessary and sufficient conditions for a non-zero element a in the Euclidean ring R to be a unit is that $d(a) = d(1)$. 4

UNIT—4

7. (a) If U and V are two subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space $V(F)$, then prove that $\dim(U + V) = \dim U + \dim V - \dim(U \cap V)$. 7
- (b) Show that the vectors $(1, 2, 0)$, $(0, 3, 1)$, $(-1, 0, 1)$ form a basis for R^3 . 3
8. (a) Let U be a finite dimensional vector space over the field F and let $B = \{ \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \}$ be an ordered basis for U . Let V be a vector space over the same field F and let $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n$ be any n vectors in V . Then show that there exists a unique linear transformation T from U into V such that $T(\alpha_i) = \beta_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. 7
- (b) Show that if two vectors are linearly independent, then one of them is a scalar multiple of the other. 3

UNIT—5

9. (a) Let V and W be vector spaces over the same field F and let T be a linear transformation from V into W . If V is finite dimensional, then prove that

$$\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V \quad 6$$

- (b) Let $T : R^4 \rightarrow R^3$ be a linear transformation defined by

$$T(x, y, z, t) = (x - y + z - t, x + 2z - t, x - y + 3z + 3t)$$

Find the range space, null space, rank of T and nullity of T . 4

10. (a) Diagonalize the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad 7$$

- (b) Show that the function $T : R^2 \rightarrow R^2$ defined by $T(x, y) = (1 - x, y)$ is a linear transformation. 3
