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B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS

FOURTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2016

MT 4503 – ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURE - I

Date: 04-11-2016

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00-04:00

PART – A

Answer **ALL** the questions:

(10 x 2 = 20 marks)

1. Define an equivalence relation and give an example.
2. Prove that in a group G , the identity element is unique.
3. Show that every cyclic group is abelian.
4. Define a normal subgroups of a group.
5. State the fundamental homomorphism theorem.
6. If G is a group of order 2, prove that the only automorphism of G is the identity map.
7. Define an integral domain.
8. Give an example of a subring in a ring R , which is not an ideal of R .
9. Give an example of an Euclidean ring.
10. What are Gaussian integers?

PART – B

Answer any **FIVE** questions:

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

11. Prove that if H and K are subgroups of G , then HK is a subgroup of G if and only if $HK = KH$.
12. Show that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.
13. Show that every group of prime order is cyclic.
14. State and prove Lagrange's theorem.
15. Prove that any permutation of a finite set can be expressed as a product of transpositions.
16. Show that every finite integral domain is a field.
17. Show that every Euclidean ring is a principal ideal domain.
18. Find a greatest common divisor of $a = 14 - 3i$ and $b = 4 + 7i$ and represent in the form $\lambda a + \mu b$ in $\mathbb{Z}(i)$.

PART – C

Answer any **TWO** questions:

(2 x 20 = 40 marks)

19. a) Let H and K be subgroups of G , Show that $O(HK) = \frac{O(H)O(K)}{O(H \cap K)}$.
b) Show that union of two subgroups of a group G is a subgroup of G if and only if one is contained in the other. (12+8)
20. a) Show that every subgroups of an abelian subgroup is normal.
b) Is the intersection of two normal subgroups of G a normal subgroup of G ? Justify.
c) State and prove the fundamental theorem of group homomorphism. (4+4+12)
21. a) Prove that every group is isomorphic to a group of permutations.
b) If R is a commutative ring with unit element whose only ideals are (0) and R itself, show that R is a field. (10 + 10)
22. a) Let R be a commutative ring with unity and P an ideal of R . Then prove that P is a prime ideal of R if and only if R/P is an integral domain.
b) If $a = 14 - 3i$ and $b = 4 + 7i$, find Gaussian integers q and r such that $a = qb + r$, where $r = 0$ or $d(r) < d(b)$. (12 + 8)
