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M.Sc., DEGREE EXAMINATION - MATHEMATICS

SECOND SEMESTER – APRIL 2013

MT 2810/MT 2804 – ALGEBRA

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Time: 9.00 – 12.00

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Max. : 100 Marks

Answer **ALL** the Questions:

1. a) Define the Normalizer of $a \in G$ and prove that $N(a)$ is a subgroup of G .

(OR) (5)

- b) Prove that if $O(G) = p^n$ where p is a prime number then $Z \neq (e)$ or $O(Z) > 1$.

- c) If p is a prime number and p^α divides $O(G)$ then prove that G has a subgroup of order p^α .

(OR) (15)

- d) Show that the number of p -sylow subgroups in a finite group G is $1 + kp$ where p is a prime number. Also prove that any group of order 72 cannot be simple.

2. a) Given two polynomials $f(x), g(x) \neq 0$ in $F[x]$ then prove that there exists two polynomials $t(x), r(x)$ in $F[x]$ such that $f(x) = t(x)g(x) + r(x)$ where $r(x) = 0$ (or) $\deg r(x) < \deg g(x)$.

(OR) (5)

- b) If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are primitive polynomials then $f(x)g(x)$ is also a primitive polynomial.

- c) Let R be an Euclidean Ring and M be the finitely generated R -module. Prove that M is the direct sum of a finite number of cyclic sub-modules.

(OR) (15)

- d) State and Prove Eisenstein Criterion.

- e) State and prove Gauss Lemma.

(8+7)

3. a) If L is a finite extension of K and K is a finite extension of F then prove that L is a finite extension of F .

(OR) (5)

- b) If R is a Unique Factorization Domain then prove that $R[x]$ is a UFD.

- c) Prove that the element $a \in K$ is algebraic over F iff $F(a)$ is a finite extension of F .

(OR) (15)

- d) If F is of characteristic zero and a, b are algebraic over F then prove that there exists an element $c \in F(a, b)$ such that $F(c) = F(a, b)$.

4. a) Prove that $\sqrt{3}$ and $\sqrt{5}$ are algebraic over \mathbb{Q} . Find the degree of $\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{5}$ over \mathbb{Q} and the basis of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{5})$ over \mathbb{Q} .

(OR) (5)

b) Prove that K is a normal extension of F iff K is the splitting field of some polynomial over F .

c) State and prove the fundamental theorem of Galois Theory.

(OR) (15)

d) Prove that S_n is not solvable for $n \geq 5$.

(8+7)

e) Verify S_3 is solvable.

5. a) For every prime number p and for every positive integer m , prove that there is a unique field having p^m elements.

(OR) (5)

b) If F is a field, and $\alpha, \beta \neq 0$ are two elements of R then prove that we can find elements a, b in F such that $1 + \alpha a^2 + \beta b^2 = 0$.

c) State and prove Wedderburn's theorem on finite division rings.

(OR) (15)

d) If $p(x)$ is a polynomial in $F[x]$ of degree $n \geq 1$ and it is irreducible over F then there is an extension E of F such that $[E:F] = n$ in which $p(x)$ has a root.
