

**U.G. 3rd Semester Examination - 2020**

**MATHEMATICS**

**[HONOURS]**

**Course Code : MATH-H-CC-T-06**

Full Marks : 60

Time :  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Hours

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks.*

*Symbols and notations have their usual meanings.*

1. Answer any **ten** questions: 2×10=20
- a) Let  $G$  be the set of all real  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$  where  $a \neq 0$ . Prove that  $G$  is a group under matrix multiplication.
- b) Is the dihedral group  $D_3$  Abelian?
- c) Give an example of group elements  $a$  and  $b$  for a suitable group  $G$  with the property that  $a^{-1}ba^{-1} \neq b$ .
- d) Suppose  $G$  is a group with the property that if  $ab = ca$  then  $b = c$  for all  $a, b, c \in G$ . Then prove that  $G$  is Abelian.
- e) Let  $G$  be the set of all real  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & d \end{pmatrix}$  where  $ad \neq 0$ . Find a subgroup of  $G$  of order 4.

- f) Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the group of rational numbers under addition and  $\mathbb{Q}^*$  be the group of non zero rational numbers under multiplication. In  $\mathbb{Q}$ , list the elements in  $\langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle$ . In  $\mathbb{Q}^*$ , list the elements in  $\langle \frac{1}{2} \rangle$ .
- g) Show that  $U(14)$  is cyclic.
- h) Give an example to show that union of two subgroups of a group may not be a subgroup.
- i) Prove that the mapping from  $U(16)$  to itself given by  $x \rightarrow x^3$  is an automorphism.
- j) Prove that  $U(72)$  is isomorphic to the direct product of  $U(9)$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_5$ .
- k) Let  $G$  be a group and let  $a \in G$ . Prove the mapping  $\phi_a : G \rightarrow G$  defined by  $\phi_a(x) = a^{-1}xa$  is an automorphism of  $G$ .
- l) How many elements of order 9 does  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_9$  have?
- m) Let the order of a group  $G$  be 33. Then show that  $G$  must have an element of order 3.
- n) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $a \in G$ . Prove that  $\alpha H = H$  if and only if  $a \in H$ .
- o) Let  $G$  be a nontrivial finite group. Show that  $G$  has an element of prime order.

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2. Answer any **four** questions.  $5 \times 4 = 20$
- i) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  be a member of the group  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z}_{43})$ . Then find the order of  $A$ ?  $5$
- ii) a) Determine the number of cyclic subgroups of order 15 in  $\mathbb{Z}_{90} \oplus \mathbb{Z}_{36}$ .
- b) How many cyclic subgroups of  $D_4$  have? List them. Find a non cyclic subgroup of  $D_4$  of order 4.  $3+2$
- iii) a) Let  $G$  be a cyclic group, which has exactly three subgroups:  $G$  itself, trivial subgroup, and a subgroup of order 7. Then what is the group  $G$ ?
- b) Are  $U(10)$  and  $U(12)$  isomorphic? Justify your answer.  $3+2$
- iv) Compute  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_{10})$ .  $5$
- v) a) Prove that  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  is a normal subgroup of  $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$ .
- b) Determine the subgroup lattice for  $U(12)$ .  $3+2$
- vi) a) Find the order of element  $5 + \langle 6 \rangle$  in the factor group  $\mathbb{Z}_{18}/\langle 6 \rangle$ ?
- b) Suppose  $k$  is a divisor of  $n$ . Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}_n/\langle k \rangle$  is isomorphic with  $\mathbb{Z}_k$ .  $2+3$

3. Answer any **two** questions:  $10 \times 2 = 20$
- i) a) Let  $G$  be an Abelian group and let  $H = \{g \in G : o(g) \text{ divides } 12\}$ . Then prove that  $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . Is it possible to replace 12 by some other positive integer?
- b) Prove that if  $G$  is a group with the property that the square of every element is the identity, then  $G$  is Abelian.  $5+5$
- ii) a) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a$  be an element of  $G$  of order  $n$ . Prove that for each integer  $k$  between 1 and  $n$ ,  $o(a^k) = o(a^{n-k})$ .
- b) How many generators do the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{2021}$  have?  $5+5$
- iii) Let  $G = \{a + ib : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$   
and  $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & 2b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q} \right\}$   
Then prove that  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic under addition. Observing that  $G$  and  $H$  are closed under multiplication, does your isomorphism preserve multiplication also? Justify.  $5+5$
- iv) a) Find the largest order of any element in  $U(900)$ ?

- b) Let  $\{3^m 6^n : m, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  under multiplication. Prove that  $G$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ .
- c) Suppose  $g$  and  $h$  induce the same inner automorphism of a group  $G$ . Prove that  $gh^{-1} \in Z(G)$ . 4+3+3
- v) a) Let for any integer greater than 1,  $\phi(n)$  denotes the number of integers less than  $n$  and relatively prime to  $n$ . Then prove that if  $a$  is any integer relatively prime to  $n$ , then  $a^{\phi(n)} = 1$  modulo  $n$ .
- b) Prove that there is no isomorphism between the group of rational numbers under addition and the group of non zero rational numbers under multiplication. 5+5

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