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Unit – I

1 : Questions of 2 marks

- 1) Define product of two permutations on n symbols. Explain it by an example on 5 symbols.
- 2) Define inverse of a permutation. If $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \in S_7$ then find σ^{-1}
- 3) Let $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\lambda = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 6 & 2 & 5 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \in S_6$. Find (i) $\lambda \sigma$ (ii) σ^{-1} .
- 4) Let $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 & 2 & 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ and $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \in S_6$. Find (i) $f g$ (ii) g^{-1} .
- 5) Let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 5 & 4 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \in S_5$. Find $\alpha^{-1} \beta^{-1}$.
- 6) Define i) a permutation ii) a symmetric group.
- 7) Define i) a cycle ii) a transposition.
- 8) Let $C_1 = (2\ 3\ 7)$, $C_2 = (1\ 4\ 3\ 2)$ be cycles in S_8 . Find $C_1 C_2$ and express it as product of transpositions.
- 9) For any transposition $(a\ b) \in S_n$, prove that $(a\ b) = (a\ b)^{-1}$.

- 10) Prove that every cycle can be written as product of transpositions.
- 11) Define disjoint cycles. Are $(1\ 4\ 7)$, $(4\ 3\ 2)$ disjoint cycles in S_8 ?
- 12) Write down all permutations on 3 symbols $\{1, 2, 3\}$.
- 13) Define an even permutation. Is $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ an even permutation?
- 14) Define an odd permutation. Is $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 7 & 5 & 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ an odd permutation?
- 15) Prove that A_n is a subgroup of S_n .
- 16) Let f be a fixed odd permutation in S_n ($n > 1$). Show that every odd permutation in S_n is a product of f and some permutation in S_n .

2 : Multiple choice Questions of 1 marks

Choose the correct option from the given options.

- 1) Let A , B be non empty sets and $f : A \rightarrow B$ be a permutation .
Then - - -
- f is bijective and $A = B$
 - f is one one and $A \neq B$
 - f is bijective and $A \neq B$
 - f is onto and $A \neq B$
- 2) Let A be a non empty set and $f : A \rightarrow A$ be a permutation .
Then - - -
- f is one one but not onto
 - f is one one and onto

- c) f is onto but not one one
d) f is neither one one nor onto
- 3) Cycles $(2\ 4\ 7)$ and $(4\ 3\ 1)$ are - - -
a) inverses of each other b) disjoint
c) not disjoint d) transpositions
- 4) Every permutation in A_n can be written as product of - - -
a) p transpositions, where p is an odd prime
b) odd number of transpositions
c) even number of transpositions
d) none of these
- 5) The number of elements in $S_n =$ - - -
a) n b) $n!$ c) $n!/2$ d) 2^n
- 6) The number of elements in $A_6 =$ - - -
a) 6 b) 720 c) 360 d) 2^6
- 7) If $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \in S_7$ then $\alpha^{-1} =$ - - -
a) $(1\ 2\ 3\ 6\ 7)$ b) $(1\ 2)(3\ 6\ 7)$
c) $(1\ 2\ 3)(6\ 7)$ d) $(4\ 5)$
- 8) $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 6 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \in S_6$ is a product of - - - transpositions.
a) 1 b) 2 c) 3 d) 4

3 : Questions of 4 marks

- 1) Let $g \in S_A$, $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. Prove that
i) g^{-1} exists in S_A .
ii) $g g^{-1} = I = g^{-1} g$, where I is the identity permutation in S_A .

- 2) Let A be a non empty set with n elements. Prove that S_A is a group with respect to multiplication of permutations.
- 3) Let S_n be a group of permutations on n symbols $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. prove that $o(S_n) = n!$. Also prove that S_n is not abelian if $n \geq 3$.
- 4) Define a cycle. Let $\alpha = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{r-1}, a_r)$ be a cycle of length r in S_n . Prove that $\alpha^{-1} = (a_r, a_{r-1}, \dots, a_2, a_1)$.
- 5) Prove that every permutation in S_n can be written as a product of transpositions.
- 6) Prove that every permutation in S_n can be written as a product of disjoint cycles.
- 7) Define i) a cycle ii) a transposition. Prove that every cycle can be written as a product of transpositions.
- 8) Let f, g be disjoint cycles in S_A . Prove that $fg = gf$.
- 9) Define an even permutation. Express $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 2 & 6 & 3 & 7 & 4 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ as a product of disjoint cycles. Determine whether σ is odd or even.
- 10) Express $\mu = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 7 & 9 & 8 & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ as a product of transpositions. State whether $\mu^{-1} \in A_9$.
- 11) Let $\alpha = (1\ 3\ 2\ 5)(1\ 4\ 3)(2\ 5) \in S_5$ Find α^{-1} and express it as a product of disjoint cycles. State whether $\alpha^{-1} \in A_5$.
- 12) Let $\lambda = (1\ 3\ 5\ 7\ 8)(3\ 2\ 6\ 7) \in S_8$ Find λ^{-1} and express it as a product of disjoint cycles. State whether $\lambda^{-1} \in A_8$.
- 13) Prove that there are exactly $n!/2$ even permutations and exactly $n!/2$ odd permutations in S_n ($n > 1$).
- 14) Prove that for every subgroup H of S_n either all permutations in H are even or exactly half of them are even.

- 15) If f, g are even permutations in S_n then prove that fg and g^{-1} are even permutations in S_n .
- 16) Define an odd permutation. Let H be a subgroup of S_n , ($n > 1$), and H contains an odd permutation. Show that $o(H)$ is even.
- 17) Let $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 5 & 6 & 4 & 9 & 7 & 8 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in S_9$. Express α and α^{-1} as a product of disjoint cycles. State whether $\alpha^{-1} \in A_9$.
- 18) Let $\beta = (2\ 5\ 3\ 7)(4\ 8\ 2\ 1) \in S_8$. Express β as a product of disjoint cycles. State whether $\beta^{-1} \in A_8$.
- 19) Let G be a finite group and $a \in G$ be a fixed element. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = ax$, for all $x \in G$, is a permutation on G .
- 20) Let G be a finite group and $a \in G$ be a fixed element. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = ax^{-1}$, for all $x \in G$, is a permutation on G .
- 21) Let G be a finite group and $a \in G$ be a fixed element. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = a^{-1}x$, for all $x \in G$, is a permutation on G .
- 22) Let G be a finite group and $a \in G$ be a fixed element. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = axa^{-1}$, for all $x \in G$, is a permutation on G .
- 23) Compute $a^{-1}ba$ where $a = (2\ 3\ 5)(1\ 4\ 7)$, $b = (3\ 4\ 6\ 2) \in S_7$. Also express $a^{-1}ba$ as a product of disjoint cycles.
- 24) Show that there can not exist a permutation $a \in S_8$ such that $a(1\ 5\ 7)a^{-1} = (1\ 5)(2\ 4\ 6)$.
- 25) Show that there can not exist a permutation $a \in S_9$ such that $a(2\ 5)a^{-1} = (2\ 7\ 8)$.
- 26) Show that there can not exist a permutation $\mu \in S_8$ such that $\mu(1\ 2\ 6)(3\ 2)\mu^{-1} = (5\ 6\ 8)$.
- 27) Show that there can not exist a permutation $a \in S_7$ such that $a^{-1}(1\ 5)(2\ 4\ 6)a = (1\ 5\ 7)$.

- 28) Write down all permutations on 3 symbols $\{1, 2, 3\}$ and prepare a composition table.
- 29) Show that the set of 4 permutations $e = (1), (1\ 2), (3\ 4), (1\ 2)(3\ 4) \in S_4$. form an abelian group with respect to multiplication of permutations.
- 30) Show that the set $A = \{(4), (1\ 3), (2\ 4), (1\ 3)(2\ 4)\}$ form an abelian group with respect to multiplication of permutations in S_4 .

Unit – II

1 : Questions of 2 marks

- 1) Define i) a normal subgroup ii) a simple group.
- 2) Show that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $g \in G, x \in H \Rightarrow g^{-1}xg \in H$.
- 3) Show that every subgroup of an abelian group is normal.
- 4) Show that the alternating subgroup A_n of a symmetric group S_n is normal.
- 5) If a finite group G has exactly one subgroup H of a given order then show that H is normal in G .
- 6) Show that every group of prime order is simple.
- 7) Is a group of order 61 simple? Justify.
- 8) Define a normalizer $N(H)$ of a subgroup H of a group G . Show that $N(H)$ is a subgroup of G .
- 9) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Show that $N(H) = G$ if and only if H is normal in G .
- 10) Define index of a subgroup. Find index of A_n in $S_n, n \geq 2$.
- 11) Prove that intersection of two normal subgroups of a group G is a normal subgroup of G .
- 12) Let H, K be normal subgroups of a group G and $H \cap K = \{e\}$. show that $ab = ba$ for all $a \in H, b \in K$.

- 13) Prove that intersection of any finite number of normal subgroups of a group G is a normal subgroup of G .
- 14) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G and K a subgroup of G such that $H \subseteq K \subseteq G$. Show that H is a normal subgroup of K .
- 15) Is union of two normal subgroups a normal subgroup? Justify.
- 16) Define a quotient group. If H is a normal subgroup of a group G then show that H is the identity element of G/H .
- 17) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G and $a, b \in G$. Show that
 i) $a^{-1}H = (aH)^{-1}$ ii) $(ab)^{-1}H = (bH)^{-1}(aH)^{-1}$.
- 18) Let $H = 3Z \subseteq (Z, +)$. Write the elements of Z/H and prepare a composition table for Z/H .
- 19) Let $H = 4Z \subseteq (Z, +)$. Write the elements of Z/H and prepare a composition table for Z/H .
- 20) Prove that the quotient group of an abelian group is abelian.
- 21) Give an example of an abelian group G/H such that G is not abelian. Explain.
- 22) Give an example of a cyclic group G/H such that G is not cyclic. Explain.
- 23) Let H, K be normal subgroups of a group G . If $G/H = G/K$ then show that $H = K$.
- 24) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G . If G/H is abelian then show that $xyx^{-1}y^{-1} \in H$, for all $x, y \in G$.
- 25) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G . If $xyx^{-1}y^{-1} \in H$, for all $x, y \in G$ then show that G/H is abelian.
- 26) If H is a normal subgroup of a group G and $i_G(H) = m$ then show that $x^m \in H$, for all $x \in G$.
- 27) Show that every subgroup of a cyclic group is normal.
- 28) Give an example of a non cyclic group in which every subgroup is normal.

- 7) Every subgroup of a cyclic group is - - -
 a) cyclic and normal b) cyclic but not normal
 c) normal but not cyclic d) neither cyclic nor normal
- 8) Index of A_3 in S_3 is - - -
 a) 1 b) 2 c) 3 d) 6

3 : Questions of 3 marks

- 1) Define center of a group. Show that center of a group is a normal subgroup.
- 2) Show that a normal subgroup of order 2 in a group G is contained in the center of G .
- 3) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $gHg^{-1} = H$, for all $g \in G$.
- 4) Let H, K be subgroups of a group G . If H is normal then show that HK is a subgroup of G .
- 5) Let H, K be subgroups of a group G . If K is normal then show that HK is a subgroup of G .
- 6) If H is a subgroup of a group G then show that $N(H)$ is the largest subgroup of G in which H is normal.
- 7) Prove that a non empty subset H of a group G is normal subgroup of G if and only if $x, y \in H, g \in G \Rightarrow (gx)(gy)^{-1} \in H$.
- 8) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $Hx = xH$, for all $x \in G$.
- 9) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $HaHb = Hab$, for all $a, b \in G$.
- 10) Prove that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $aHbH = abH$, for all $a, b \in G$.

- 11) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . If product of any two right cosets of H in G is again a right coset of H in G then prove that H is normal.
- 12) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . If product of any two left cosets of H in G is again a left coset of H in G then prove that H is normal.
- 13) Define index of a subgroup. Show that any subgroup of index 2 is normal.
- 14) Define a group of quaternions and find all its normal subgroups.
- 15) If a cyclic subgroup of T of a group G is normal in G then show that every subgroup of T is normal in G .
- 16) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G . Show that $\bigcap \{xHx^{-1} : x \in G\}$ is a normal subgroup of G .
- 17) Let H, K be normal subgroups of a group G . If $o(H), o(K)$ are relatively prime numbers then show that $xy = yx$, for all $x \in H, y \in K$.
- 18) Let H, K be normal subgroups of a group G . If $H \cup K$ is a normal subgroup of G then show that $H \subseteq K$ or $K \subseteq H$.
- 19) Let H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n be proper normal subgroups of a group G such that $G = \bigcup_{i=1}^n H_i$ and $H_i \cap H_j = \{e\}$, for all $i \neq j$. Prove that G is an abelian group.
- 20) Write the elements of S_3 and A_3 on three symbols $\{1, 2, 3\}$. Prepare a composition table for S_3/A_3 .
- 21) Prove that the quotient group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
- 22) Let H be a normal subgroup of a finite group G and $o(H), i_G(H)$ are relatively prime numbers. If $x \in G$ and $x^{o(H)} = e$ then show that $x \in H$.
- 23) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Prove that $xHx^{-1} = H$, for all $x \in G$ if and only if $Hxy = HxHy$, for all $x, y \in G$.

- 24) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Prove that $xHx^{-1} = H$, for all $x \in G$ if and only if $xyH = xHyH$, for all $x, y \in G$.
- 25) Show that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if $xy \in H \Rightarrow yx \in H$, where $x, y \in G$.
- 26) Show that a subgroup H of a group G is normal if and only if the set $\{Hx : x \in G\}$ of all right cosets of H in G is closed under multiplication.
- 27) Let H be a subgroup of a group G and $x^2 \in H$, for all $x \in G$. Show that H is normal in G .
- 28) Let G be a group and $a \in G$. Denote $N(a) = \{x \in G : xa = ax\}$. Show that $a \in Z(G)$ if and only if $N(a) = G$.
- 29) Let N be a normal subgroup of a group G and H a subgroup of G . If $o(G/N)$ and $o(H)$ are relatively prime numbers then show that $H \subseteq N$.
- 30) Write any six equivalent conditions of normal subgroup.

Unit – III

1 : Questions of 2 marks

- 1) Let $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ be a group of real numbers under addition. Show that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by $f(x) = 3x$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 2) Let $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ be a group of real numbers under addition. Show that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by $f(x) = 2x$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 3) If $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ is a group of real numbers under addition and (\mathbb{R}^+, \cdot) is a group of positive real numbers under multiplication. Show that $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, defined by $f(x) = e^x$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 4) Let (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot) be a group of non zero real numbers under multiplication. Show that $f : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^*$, defined by $f(x) = x^3$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^*$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.

- 5) Let (\mathbb{C}^*, \cdot) be a group of non zero complex numbers under multiplication. Show that $f : \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$, defined by $f(z) = z^4$, for all $z \in \mathbb{C}^*$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 6) Let $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ be a group of integers under addition and $G = \{5^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ a group under multiplication. Show that $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow G$, defined by $f(n) = 5^n$, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, is onto group homomorphism.
- 7) Let $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ and $(E, +)$ be the groups of integers and even integers respectively under addition. Show that $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow E$, defined by $f(n) = 2n$, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, is an isomorphism.
- 8) Define a group homomorphism. Let $(G, *)$, $(G', *')$ be groups with identity elements e , e' respectively. Show that $f : G \rightarrow G'$, defined by $f(x) = e'$, for all $x \in G$, is a group homomorphism.
- 9) Let $G = \{a, a^2, a^3, a^4, a^5 = e\}$ be the cyclic group generated by a . Show that $f : (\mathbb{Z}_5, +_5) \rightarrow G$, defined by $f(\bar{n}) = a^n$, for all $\bar{n} \in \mathbb{Z}_5$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 10) Let $f : (\mathbb{R}, +) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, +)$ be defined by $f(x) = x + 1$, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Is f a group homomorphism? Why?
- 11) Let $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ be a group under multiplication and $Z'_8 = \{\bar{1}, \bar{3}, \bar{5}, \bar{7}\}$ a group under multiplication modulo 8. Show that G and Z'_8 are not isomorphic.
- 12) Show that the group $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +_4)$ is isomorphic to the group $(\mathbb{Z}'_5, \times_5)$.
- 13) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. If $a \in G$ and $o(a)$ is finite then show that $o(f(a)) \mid o(a)$.
- 14) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. If H' is a subgroup of G' then show that $\text{Ker}(f) \subseteq f^{-1}(H')$.
- 15) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism and $o(a)$ is finite, for all $a \in G$. If f is one one then show that $o(f(a)) = o(a)$.

- 16) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism and $o(f(a)) = o(a)$, for all $a \in G$. Show that f is one one.

2 : Multiple choice Questions of 1 marks

Choose the correct option from the given options.

- 1) Every finite cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to - - -
 a) $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ b) $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ c) (\mathbb{Z}_n, \times_n) d) $(\mathbb{Z}'_n, \times_n)$
- 2) Every infinite cyclic group is isomorphic to - - -
 a) $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$ b) $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ c) (\mathbb{Z}_n, \times_n) d) $(\mathbb{Z}'_n, \times_n)$
- 3) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism and $a \in G$. If $o(a)$ is finite then - - -
 a) $o(f(a)) = \infty$ b) $o(f(a)) \mid o(a)$.
 c) $o(a) \mid o(f(a))$ d) $o(f(a)) = 0$.
- 4) A group $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ under multiplication is not isomorphic to - - -
 a) $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +_4)$ b) G
 c) $(\mathbb{Z}'_8, \times_8)$ d) none of these.
- 5) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. If G is abelian then $f(G)$ is - - -
 a) non abelian b) abelian
 c) cyclic d) empty set
- 6) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. If G is cyclic then $f(G)$ is - - -
 a) non abelian b) non cyclic
 c) cyclic d) finite set
- 7) A onto group homomorphism $f : G \rightarrow G'$ is an isomorphism if $\text{Ker}(f) =$ - - -
 a) ϕ b) $\{e\}$ c) $\{e'\}$ d) none of these

8) A function $f : G \rightarrow G$, (G is a group), defined by $f(x) = x^{-1}$, for all $x \in G$, is an automorphism if and only if G is - - -

- a) abelian b) cyclic c) non abelian d) $G = \phi$.

3 : Questions of 4 marks

- 1) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism . prove that $f(G)$ is a subgroup of G' . Also prove that if G is abelian then $f(G)$ is abelian.
- 2) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. Show that f is one one if and only if $\text{Ker}(f) = \{e\}$.
- 3) Let $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ be a group under multiplication. Show that $f : (\mathbb{Z}, +) \rightarrow G$, defined by $f(n) = i^n$, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, is onto group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 4) Let $G = \{1, -1, i, -i\}$ be a group under multiplication. Show that $f : (\mathbb{Z}, +) \rightarrow G$, defined by $f(n) = (-i)^n$, for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, is onto group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 5) Let $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a^2 + b^2 \neq 0 \right\}$ be a group under multiplication and C^* be a group of non zero complex numbers under multiplication. Show that $f : C^* \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(a + ib) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{bmatrix}$, for all $a + ib \in C^*$, is an isomorphism.
- 6) Define a group homomorphism. Prove that homomorphic image of a cyclic group is cyclic.
- 7) Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a group homomorphism. Prove that
 - i) $f(e)$ is the identity element of G' , where e is the identity element of G
 - ii) $f(a^{-1}) = (f(a))^{-1}$, for all $a \in G$
 - iii) $f(a^m) = (f(a))^m$, for all $a \in G, m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

- 8) Let (C^*, \cdot) , (R^*, \cdot) be groups of non zero complex numbers, non zero real numbers respectively under multiplication. Show that $f : C^* \rightarrow R^*$ defined by $f(z) = |z|$, for all $z \in C^*$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$. Is f onto? Why?
- 9) Let (C^*, \cdot) , (R^*, \cdot) be groups of non zero complex numbers, non zero real numbers respectively under multiplication. Show that $f : C^* \rightarrow R^*$ defined by $f(z) = |\bar{z}|$, for all $z \in C^*$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$. Is f onto? Why?
- 10) Let $G = \{1, -1\}$ be a group under multiplication. Show that $f : (Z, +) \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } n \text{ is even} \\ -1 & , \text{ if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$ is onto group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 11) Let (R^+, \cdot) be a group of positive reals under multiplication. Show that $f : (R, +) \rightarrow R^+$ defined by $f(x) = 2^x$, for all $x \in R$, is an isomorphism.
- 12) Let (R^+, \cdot) be a group of positive reals under multiplication. Show that $f : (R, +) \rightarrow R^+$ defined by $f(x) = e^x$, for all $x \in R$, is an isomorphism.
- 13) If $f : G \rightarrow G'$ is an isomorphism and $a \in G$ then show that $o(a) = o(f(a))$.
- 14) Prove that every finite cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to $(Z_n, +_n)$.
- 15) Prove that every infinite cyclic group is isomorphic to $(Z, +)$.
- 16) Let G be a group of all non singular matrices of order 2 over the set of reals and R^* be a group of all nonzero reals under multiplication. Show that $f : G \rightarrow R^*$, defined by $f(A) = |A|$, for all $A \in G$, is onto group homomorphism. Is f one one? Why?
- 17) Let G be a group of all non singular matrices of order n over the set of reals and R^* be a group of all nonzero reals under multiplication. Show that $f : G \rightarrow R^*$, defined by $f(A) = |A|$, for all $A \in G$, is onto group homomorphism.

- 18) Let R^* be a group of all nonzero reals under multiplication. Show that $f : R^* \rightarrow R^*$, defined by $f(x) = |x|$, for all $x \in R^*$, is a group homomorphism. Is f onto? Justify.
- 19) Prove that every group is isomorphic to it self. If G_1, G_2 are groups such that $G_1 \cong G_2$ then prove that $G_2 \cong G_1$.
- 20) Let G_1, G_2, G_3 be groups such that $G_1 \cong G_2$ and $G_2 \cong G_3$. Prove that $G_1 \cong G_3$.
- 21) Show that $f : (C, +) \rightarrow (C, +)$ defined by $f(a + ib) = -a + ib$, for all $a + ib \in C$, is an automorphism.
- 22) Show that $f : (C, +) \rightarrow (C, +)$ defined by $f(a + ib) = a - ib$, for all $a + ib \in C$, is an automorphism.
- 23) Show that $f : (Z, +) \rightarrow (Z, +)$ defined by $f(x) = -x$, for all $x \in Z$, is an automorphism.
- 24) Let G be an abelian group. Show that $f : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(x) = x^{-1}$, for all $x \in G$, is an automorphism.
- 25) Let G be a group and $a \in G$. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = axa^{-1}$, for all $x \in G$, is an automorphism.
- 26) Let G be a group and $a \in G$. Show that $f_a : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f_a(x) = a^{-1}xa$, for all $x \in G$, is an automorphism.
- 27) Let $G = \{a, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^{12} (= e)\}$ be a cyclic group generated by a . Show that $f : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(x) = x^4$, for all $x \in G$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 28) Let $G = \{a, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^{12} (= e)\}$ be a cyclic group generated by a . Show that $f : G \rightarrow G$ defined by $f(x) = x^3$, for all $x \in G$, is a group homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.
- 29) Show that $f : (C, +) \rightarrow (R, +)$ defined by $f(a + ib) = a$, for all $a + ib \in C$, is onto homomorphism. Find $\text{Ker}(f)$.

- 30) Show that homomorphic image of a finite group is finite. Is the converse true? Justify.

Unit – IV

1 : Questions of 2 marks

- 1) In a ring (Z, \oplus, \odot) , where $a \oplus b = a + b - 1$ and $a \odot b = a + b - ab$, for all $a, b \in Z$, find zero element and identity element.
- 2) Define an unit. Find all units in $(Z_6, +_6, \times_6)$.
- 3) Define a zero divisor. Find all zero divisors in $(Z_8, +_8, \times_8)$.
- 4) Let R be a ring with identity 1 and $a \in R$. Show that
 - i) $(-1)a = -a$
 - ii) $(-1)(-1) = 1$
- 5) Let R be a commutative ring and $a, b \in R$. Show that $(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$.
- 6) Let $(Z[\sqrt{-5}], +, \cdot)$ be a ring under usual addition and multiplication of elements of $Z[\sqrt{-5}]$. Show that $Z[\sqrt{-5}]$ is a commutative ring. Is $2 + 3\sqrt{-5}$ a unit in $Z[\sqrt{-5}]$?
- 7) Let $\bar{m} \in (Z_n, +_n, \times_n)$ be a zero divisor. Show that m is not relatively prime to n , where $n > 1$.
- 8) If $\bar{m} \in (Z_n, +_n, \times_n)$ is invertible then show that m and n are relatively prime to n , where $n > 1$.
- 9) Let $n > 1$ and $0 < m < n$. If m is relatively prime to n then show that $\bar{m} \in (Z_n, +_n, \times_n)$ is invertible.
- 10) Let $n > 1$ and $0 < m < n$. If m is not relatively prime to n then show that $\bar{m} \in (Z_n, +_n, \times_n)$ is a zero divisor.
- 11) Show that a field has no zero divisors.
- 12) Let R be a ring in which $a^2 = a$, for all $a \in R$. Show that $a + a = 0$, for all $a \in R$.

- 13) Let R be a ring in which $a^2 = a$, for all $a \in R$. If $a, b \in R$ and $a + b = 0$, then show that $a = b$.
- 14) Let R be a commutative ring with identity 1. If a, b are units in R then show that a^{-1} and ab are units in R .
- 15) In $(\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +_{12}, \times_{12})$ find (i) $(\bar{3})^2 +_{12} (\bar{5})^{-2}$ (ii) $(\bar{7})^{-1} +_{12} \bar{8}$.
- 16) In $(\mathbb{Z}_{12}, +_{12}, \times_{12})$ find (i) $(\bar{5})^{-1} - \bar{7}$ (ii) $(\bar{11})^{-2} +_{12} \bar{5}$.

2 : Multiple choice Questions of 1 marks

Choose the correct option from the given options.

- 1) $R = \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$ is not a ring under usual addition and multiplication of integers because - - -
- R is not closed under multiplication
 - R is not closed under addition
 - R does not satisfy associativity w.r.t. addition
 - R does not satisfy associativity w.r.t. multiplication
- 2) Number of zero divisors in $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +_6, \times_6) =$ - - -
- 0
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
- 3) $(\mathbb{Z}_{43}, +_{43}, \times_{43})$ is - - -
- both field and integral domain
 - an integral domain but not a field
 - a field but not an integral domain
 - neither a field nor an integral domain
- 4) In $(\mathbb{Z}_9, +_9, \times_9)$, $\bar{6}$ is - - -
- a zero divisor
 - an invertible element
 - a zero element
 - an identity element
- 5) Every Boolean ring is - - -
- an integral domain
 - a field
 - a commutative ring
 - a division ring

- 6) If a is a unit in a ring R then a is - - -
- a) a zero divisor b) an identity element
 c) a zero element d) an invertible element
- 7) If R is a Boolean ring and $a \in R$ then - - -
- a) $a + a = a$ b) $a^2 = 0$ c) $a^2 = 1$ d) $a + a = 0$
- 8) Value of $(\bar{7})^2 - \bar{7}$ in $(\mathbb{Z}_8, +_8, \times_8)$ is - - -
- a) $\bar{6}$ b) $\bar{4}$ c) $\bar{2}$ d) $\bar{0}$

3 : Questions of 6 marks

- 1) a) Define i) a ring ii) an integral domain iii) a division ring.
 b) Show that the set $R = \{0, 2, 4, 6\}$ is a commutative ring under addition and multiplication modulo 8.
- 2) a) Define i) a commutative ring ii) a field iii) a skew field.
 b) In $2\mathbb{Z}$, the set of even integers, we define $a + b =$ usual addition of a and b and $a \odot b = \frac{ab}{2}$. Show that $(2\mathbb{Z}, +, \odot)$ is a ring.
- 3) a) Define i) a ring with identity element ii) an unit element iii) a Boolean ring.
 b) Let $(2\mathbb{Z}, +)$ be an abelian group of even integers under usual addition. Show that $(2\mathbb{Z}, +, \odot)$ is a commutative ring with identity 2, where $a \odot b = \frac{ab}{2}$, for all $a, b \in 2\mathbb{Z}$.
- 4) a) Define i) a zero divisor ii) an invertible element iii) a field.
 b) Let $(3\mathbb{Z}, +)$ be an abelian group under usual addition where $3\mathbb{Z} = \{3n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. Show that $(3\mathbb{Z}, +, \odot)$ is a commutative ring with identity 3, where $a \odot b = \frac{ab}{3}$, for all $a, b \in 3\mathbb{Z}$.

- 5) a) Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring and $a, b, c \in R$. Prove that
 i) $a \cdot 0 = 0$ ii) $(a - b)c = ac - bc$.
- b) Show that (Z, \oplus, \odot) is a ring, where $a \oplus b = a + b - 1$ and $a \odot b = a + b - ab$, for all $a, b \in Z$.
- 6) a) Let $(R, +, \cdot)$ be a ring and $a, b, c \in R$. Prove that
 i) $a \cdot (-b) = -(ab)$ ii) $a(b - c)c = ab - ac$.
- b) Show that the abelian group $(Z[\sqrt{-5}], +)$ is a ring under multiplication

$$(a + b\sqrt{-5})(c + d\sqrt{-5}) = ac - 5bd + (ad + bc)\sqrt{-5}.$$
- 7) a) Define i) a division ring ii) an unit element iii) an integral domain
 b) Show that the abelian group $(Z[i], +)$ is a ring under multiplication

$$(a + bi)(c + di) = ac - bd + (ad + bc)i, \text{ for all } a + bi, c + di \in Z[i].$$
- 8) a) Let R be a ring with identity 1 and $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2$, for all $a, b \in R$.
 Show that R is commutative.
- b) Show that the abelian group $(Z_n, +_n)$ is a commutative ring with identity $\bar{1}$ under multiplication modulo n operation.
- 9) a) Show that a ring R is commutative if and only if $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$, for all $a, b \in R$.
- b) Show that $Z[i] = \{a + ib \mid a, b \in Z\}$, the ring of Gaussian integers, is an integral domain.
- 10) a) Show that a commutative ring R is an integral domain if and only if $a, b, c \in R, a \neq 0, ab = ac \Rightarrow b = c$.
- b) Prepare addition modulo 4 and multiplication modulo 4 tables. Find all invertible elements in Z_4 .
- 11) a) Show that a commutative ring R is an integral domain if and only if $a, b \in R, ab = 0 \Rightarrow$ either $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.
- b) Prepare addition modulo 5 and multiplication modulo 5 tables. Find all invertible elements in Z_5 .

12)a) Let R be a commutative ring. Show that the cancellation law with respect to multiplication holds in R if and only if $a, b \in R, ab = 0 \Rightarrow$ either $a = 0$ or $b = 0$.

b) Prepare a multiplication modulo 6 table for a ring $(Z_6, +_6, \times_6)$. Hence find all zero divisors and invertible elements in Z_6 .

13 a) For $n > 1$, show that Z_n is an integral if and only if n is prime.

b) Let $R = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} z & w \\ -\bar{w} & \bar{z} \end{bmatrix} : z, w \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$ be a ring under addition and multiplication, where $\mathbb{C} = \{a + ib \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Show that R is a division ring.

14 a) Prove that every field is an integral domain. Is the converse true? Justify.

b) Which of the following rings are fields? Why?

i) $(Z, +, \times)$ ii) $(Z_5, +_5, \times_5)$ iii) $(Z_{25}, +_{25}, \times_{25})$.

15) a) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.

b) Which of the following rings are integral domains? Why?

i) $(2Z, +, \times)$ ii) $(Z_{50}, +_{50}, \times_{50})$ iii) $(Z_{17}, +_{17}, \times_{17})$.

16 a) Prove that a Boolean ring is a commutative ring.

b) Give an example of a division ring which is not a field.

17 a) for $n > 1$, show that Z_n is a field if and only if n is prime.

b) Let $R = \{a + bi + cj + dk \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}\}$, where $i^2 = j^2 = k^2 = -1$, $ij = k = -ji$, $jk = i = -kj$, $ki = j = -ik$. Show that every nonzero element of R is invertible.

18 a) If R is a ring and $a, b \in R$ then prove or disprove $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$.

b) Show that R^+ , the set of all positive reals forms a ring under the following binary operations :

$a \oplus b = ab$ and $a \odot b = a^{\log_5 b}$, for all $a, b \in R^+$.

19) a) Define i) a ring ii) a Boolean ring iii) an invertible element.

b) Let p be a prime and $(p\mathbb{Z}, +)$ be an abelian group under usual addition, show that $(p\mathbb{Z}, +, \odot)$ is a commutative ring with identity element p where $a \odot b = \frac{ab}{p}$, for all $a, b \in p\mathbb{Z}$.

20) a) Define i) a ring with identity element ii) a commutative ring iii) a zero divisor.

b) Show that \mathbb{R}^+ , the set of all positive reals forms a ring under the following binary operations :

$$a \oplus b = ab \text{ and } a \odot b = a^{\log_7 b}, \text{ for all } a, b \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

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