

Ph. D. IN MATHEMATICS (PHDMATH)

Term-End Examination

December, 2024

RMT-101 : ALGEBRA

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) *There are eight questions in this paper.*

(ii) *The **eighth** question is **compulsory**.*

(iii) *Do any **six** questions from question no. 1 to question no. 7.*

1. (a) Let G be an additive abelian group with subgroups H and K . Show that $G \simeq H \oplus K$ if and only if there are homomorphism :

$$H \begin{matrix} \xleftarrow{\pi_1} \\ \xrightarrow{l_1} \end{matrix} G \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\pi_2} \\ \xleftarrow{l_2} \end{matrix} K$$

such that $\pi_1 \circ l_1 = 1_H$, $\pi_2 \circ l_2 = 1_K$, $\pi_1 \circ l_2 = 0$ and $\pi_2 \circ l_1 = 0$, where 0 is the map sending every element onto the zero element, and $l_1 \circ \pi_1(x) + l_2 \circ \pi_2(x) = x$. 8

- (b) Let R be a ring with identity. 7

- (i) The centre of the matrix that ring $\text{Mat}_n R$ consists of the matrices rI_n , where r is in the centre of the ring R .
- (ii) The centre of $\text{Mat}_n R$ is isomorphic to the centre of R .
2. (a) Show that a finite abelian group which is not cyclic contains subgroup which is isomorphic to $\mathbf{Z}_p \oplus \mathbf{Z}_p$, where p is a prime. 7
- (b) If R is a ring with identity, show that $a \in R$ is left quasi-regular if and only if $1_R + a$ is left invertible. 4
- (c) If R is a ring, not necessarily commutative, and if I is an ideal of R , show that :
- $$[R : I] = \{r \in R \mid xr \in I \text{ for every } x \in R\}$$
- is an ideal of R that contains I . 4
3. (a) Prove that a module A satisfies ascending chain condition if and only if every submodule of A is finitely generated. 5
- (b) Show the following conditions on a ring R are equivalent : 6
- (i) Every R -module is projective.
- (ii) Every short exact sequence of R -module is split exact.
- (iii) Every R -module is injective.

- (c) Show that any finite group is isomorphic to a subgroup of A_n for some n . 4

4. (a) (i) Let A be a module over a commutative ring R . Show that, for $a \in A$, $\mathbf{O}_a$, defined by $\mathbf{O}_a = \{r \in R \mid ra = 0\}$ is an ideal of R . If $\mathbf{O}_a \neq \{0\}$, then a is called a torsion element in R .

(ii) If R is an integral domain, show that $T(A)$, the set of all torsion elements of A , is a submodule of A .

(iii) Show that (ii) may be false if R is not an integral domain. 5

(b) Let G be a non-abelian group of order p^3 (p prime). Show that the centre of the group is the subgroup generated by all elements of the form $aba^{-1}b^{-1}$. 5

(c) Determine the structure of the abelian group G defined by generators a , b and c and relations $6a + 12b = 0$ and $3a + 9b - 3c = 0$. 5

5. (a) Let R be the ring of all rational numbers with odd denominators. Show that the Jacobson radical $J(R)$ of R is an ideal consisting of all elements in R with even numerators and odd denominators. 5

- (b) Find the elementary divisors and invariant factors of the group : 6

$$G = \mathbf{Z}_{26} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{42} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{49} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{200} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{1000}$$

- (c) A subgroup H of a group G is called a characteristic subgroup of G if every automorphism of G carries H to itself. 4

- (i) Show that every characteristic subgroup of a group is normal.

- (ii) Show that the centre of any group is a characteristic subgroup.

6. (a) Prove the following :

- (i) If A is a torsion abelian group,
 $\mathbf{Q} \otimes A = 0$. 2

- (ii) $\mathbf{Z}_m \otimes \mathbf{Z}_n \simeq \mathbf{Z}_d$, where d is the g.c.d. of m and n . 7

- (b) Find all the Sylow 2-subgroups of A_4 . 6

7. (a) If F is a field, then every non-zero element of $F[[x]]$ is of the form $x^k u$, where u is a unit and k is an integer. 5
- (b) Show that every group of prime power order is nilpotent and every finite abelian group is nilpotent. 6
- (c) Find the normaliser of the element $\begin{bmatrix} \bar{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{3} \end{bmatrix}$ in $GL_2(\mathbf{Z}_5)$. 4
8. Which of the following are true and which are false ? Give reasons for your answers : 10
- (i) Any two Sylow- p subgroups of a finite group are isomorphic.
- (ii) The multiplicative group of non-zero rational numbers is a free abelian group.
- (iii) S_3 is indecomposable.
- (iv) If R is a cumulative ring and M is a maximal ideal, then R / M is a field.
- (v) For any ring R , a finitely generated R module is also finitely generated as an abelian group.

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