



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. Honours/Programme 4th Semester Examination, 2022

MTMHGEC04T/MTMGCOR04T-MATHEMATICS (GE4/DSC4)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

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Answer Question No. 1 and any *five* from the rest

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
 - (a) In \mathbb{Z}_{14} , find the smallest positive integer n such that $n[6] = [0]$. 2
 - (b) Let $(G, *)$ be a group. If every element of G has its own inverse then prove that G is commutative. 2
 - (c) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Show that for all $a \in G$, $aH = H$ if and only if $a \in H$. 2
 - (d) Check whether the relation ρ defined by $x\rho y$ if and only if $|x|=|y|$, is an equivalence relation or not on the set of integers \mathbb{Z} . Justify your answer. 2
 - (e) Show that the alternative group A_3 is a normal subgroup of S_3 . 2
 - (f) Show that every cyclic group is abelian. 2
 - (g) Show that the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 2b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ contains divisors of zero and does not contain the unity. 2
 - (h) Let A and B be two ideals of a ring R . Is $A \cup B$ an ideal of R ? Justify. 2
2. (a) A relation ρ on the set \mathbb{N} is given by $\rho = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} : a \text{ is a divisor of } b\}$. Examine if ρ is (i) reflexive, (ii) symmetric, (iii) transitive. 4
- (b) If G is a group such that $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2$ for all $a, b \in G$; then show that G is commutative. 4
3. (a) Let $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$. List all one-one functions from A onto A . 4
- (b) Let G be a commutative group. Show that the set H of all elements of finite order is a subgroup of G . 4
4. (a) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Show that the relation ρ defined on G by “ $a\rho b$ if and only if $a^{-1}b \in H$ ” for $a, b \in G$ is an equivalence relation. 4



- (b) Prove that the order of every subgroup of a finite group G is a divisor of the order of G . 4
5. (a) Prove that every group of order less than 6 is commutative. 4
 (b) Let (G, \circ) be a cyclic group generated by a . Then prove that a^{-1} is also a generator. 4
6. (a) Show that the intersection of two normal subgroups of a group G is normal in G . 4
 (b) Show that if H be a subgroup of a commutative group G then the quotient group G/H is commutative. Is the converse true? Justify. 4
7. (a) Prove that an infinite cyclic group has only two generators. 4
 (b) In the rings \mathbb{Z}_8 and \mathbb{Z}_6 , find the following elements: 2+2
 (i) the units and (ii) the zero divisors.
8. (a) Find all ideals of \mathbb{Z} . 4
 (b) Let R be a commutative ring with 1. Then prove that R is a field if and only if R has no non-zero proper ideals. 4
9. (a) (i) Let S be a set with n elements. How many binary operations can be defined on S ? Justify. 2+2
 (ii) Let A and B be two sets with $|A|=5$ and $|B|=2$. How many surjective functions defined from A onto B ? Justify.
 (b) Let $G = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a \\ a & a \end{pmatrix} : a (\neq 0) \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$. Show that G forms a group w.r.t. matrix multiplication. 4

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1. Answer any **five** questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
- (a) Show that the set of cube roots of unity forms a group with respect to multiplication.
- (b) In a group (G, \circ) prove that for all $a, b \in G$, $(a \circ b)^{-1} = b^{-1} \circ a^{-1}$.
- (c) When a relation ρ defined on a nonempty set S is said to be an equivalence relation?
- (d) Prove that in a commutative group G , the set $H = \{x \in G : x = x^{-1}\}$ forms a subgroup of G .
- (e) Show that the group $(\mathbb{Z}_4, +)$ is a cyclic group. Find its generators.
- (f) Let R be a ring with 1. Show that the subset $T = \{n1 : n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is a subring of R .
- (g) Show that the ring $(\mathbb{Z}_5, +, -)$ is an integral domain.
- (h) Determine whether the permutation f on the group S_5 is odd or even where
- $$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 4 & 5 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$
- (i) Define index of a subgroup H of a group G . If $G = S_3$ and $H = A_3$, then find the value of $[G : H]$.
2. (a) Let a relation R defined on the set \mathbb{Z} by “ $a R b$ if and only if $a - b$ is divisible by 5” for all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$. Show that R is an equivalence relation. 4
- (b) Which of the following mathematical systems is / are group(s)? 2+2
- (i) $(\mathbb{N}, *)$, where $a * b = a$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (ii) $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$, where $a * b = a - b$ for all $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.
3. (a) Let the permutations f and g are the elements of S_5 where 2+2+1

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \text{Find } fg, gf, f^{-1}.$$



- (b) Let $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is defined by $f(n) = n^2$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $g: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is defined by $g(n) = 2n$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Find the composition of the functions $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$. 2+1
4. (a) Verify the statement is true or false: In ring R if $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$ for all $a, b \in R$, then R is a commutative ring. 3
- (b) (i) Show that the set $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{bmatrix} \right\}$, $x \neq 0$ is a subgroup of the group of all 2×2 order non-singular real matrices. 2
- (ii) Let (G, \circ) be a commutative group and $H = \{a^2 : a \in G\}$, prove that H is sub-group of G . 3
5. (a) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic. 4
- (b) Let G be a group of prime order. Then prove that G is cyclic. 4
6. (a) Find all right cosets of the subgroup $6\mathbb{Z}$ in the group $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$. 4
- (b) Let G be a group such that every cyclic subgroup of G is a normal subgroup of G . Prove that every subgroup of G is a normal subgroup of G . 4
7. (a) Let H be the set of all real matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = 1 \right\}$. Prove that H is a subset of $GL(2, \mathbb{R})$. 4
- (b) Find all cyclic subgroups of the group (S, \cdot) , where $S = \{1, i, -1, -i\}$. 4
8. (a) Examine if the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 2b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ is a field. 4
- (b) Prove that a finite integral domain is a field. 4
9. (a) Show that the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 2b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ contains divisors of zeros and does not contain the unity. 4
- (b) Prove that the ring $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, \cdot)$ is an integral domain if and only if n is prime. 4
10. (a) Show that $T = \{[0], [5]\}$ is a subring of the ring \mathbb{Z}_{10} . 4
- (b) Let I and J be ideals of a ring R . Prove that $I + J$ is an ideal of R . 4

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1. Answer any **five** questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
 - (a) Write down the power set of the set $\{x, y, z\}$.
 - (b) Two mappings $f:R \rightarrow R$ and $g:R \rightarrow R$ are defined by $f(x)=x^2$; $g(x)=2x+3$ for all $x \in R$. Find the mapping $f \circ g$.
 - (c) Let $f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ be two permutations. Then find gf .
 - (d) Prove that (Z, \cdot) is not a group, where Z is the set of integers.
 - (e) State Lagrange's theorem.
 - (f) Find the generators of the cyclic group $\{Z, +\}$.
 - (g) Prove that under the matrix addition and multiplication, the set $M = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \alpha \\ 0 & \alpha \end{pmatrix} : \alpha \in Z \right\}$ is not a ring.
 - (h) Prove that if every element of a group (G, \circ) be its own inverse then it is an abelian group.
2. (a) Show that a group $(G, *)$ is commutative if and only if $(a*b)^2 = a^2*b^2$ for all $a \in G$ [where $x^2 = x*x$]. 5
- (b) Let (G, \circ) be a group. Prove that $(a*b)^{-1} = a^{-1}*b^{-1}$ for all $a, b \in G$. 3
3. (a) Let (G, \circ) be a group. A non-empty subset H of G forms a subgroup of (G, \circ) if and only if $a \in H, b \in H \Rightarrow a \circ b^{-1} \in H$. 4
- (b) Let $S = \{1, \omega, \omega^2\}$, where ω is an imaginary cube root of 1. Prove that S is an abelian group with respect to multiplication. 4



4. (a) Show that the set of even integers forms a commutative ring with respect to the usual addition and multiplication of integers. 5
- (b) If a ring $(R, +, \cdot)$, $a^2 = a$ for all $a \in R$; prove that $a + a = 0$ for all $a \in R$; (0 is the zero element of R). 3
5. (a) In a ring $(R, +, \cdot)$ show that $(-a) \cdot (-b) = a \cdot b$ for all $a, b \in R$. 3
- (b) Let $M = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 2b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$, then show that M is a ring with respect to matrix addition and multiplication. 5
6. (a) Prove that if G is commutative, then every subgroup of G is normal. 4
- (b) Let G be a group and H be a subgroup of G . If $h \in H$ then prove that $hH = H$. 4
7. (a) Prove that every proper subgroup of a group of order 6 is cyclic. 4
- (b) The intersection of two normal subgroups of a group G is a normal subgroup of G . 4
8. (a) Show that $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a+ib & c+id \\ -c+id & a-ib \end{pmatrix} : a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ forms a ring with unity. 4
- (b) Prove that a finite integral domain is a field. 4
9. (a) If f is real function defined by $f(x) = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$, then prove that $f(2x) = \frac{3f(x)+1}{f(x)+3}$. 3
- (b) If $f(x) = x^2$, then find the value of $\frac{f(1.1) - f(1)}{1.1 - 1}$. 2
- (c) Prove that a group (G, \circ) contains only one identity element. 3

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