

9. (a) If $T \in A(V)$ has all its characteristic roots in F , then prove that there is a basis of V in which the matrix of T is triangular.

(b) Prove that the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is

nilpotent, and find the invariants and Jordan form.

10. (a) Define trace of a matrix.

For $A, B \in F_n$ and $\lambda \in F$, show that :

(i) $\text{tr}(\lambda A) = \lambda \text{tr} A$

(ii) $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr} A + \text{tr} B$

(iii) $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$

- (b) For $A, B \in F_n$, prove that $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$.



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Time : 4 hours

Full Marks : 100

The questions are of equal value.

*Answer any **five** questions.*

Symbols used have their usual meanings.

(ALGEBRA)

1. (a) Define automorphism. If G is a group, then prove that $A(G)$, the set of automorphisms of G , is also a group.
- (b) Prove that there is no such a such that $a^{-1}(1, 2, 3)a = (1, 3)(5, 7, 8)$.
2. (a) If G is a finite group, then prove that $C_a = O(G) / O(N(a))$.
- (b) If $x > 0$ is a real number, define $[x]$ to be m where m is an integer such that $m \leq x < m + 1$. If p is a prime, show that the power of p which

exactly divides $n!$ is given by

$$\left[\frac{n}{p} \right] + \left[\frac{n}{p^2} \right] + \dots + \left[\frac{n}{p^r} \right] + \dots$$

3. (a) Let R be a commutative ring with unit element whose only ideals are (0) and R itself. Then prove that R is a field. Define Euclidean ring, its unit and associates of elements. If R be a Euclidean ring and $a, b \in R$ and if $b \neq 0$ is not a unit in R , then prove that $d(a) < d(ab)$.
(b) State and establish the division algorithm in polynomial rings.
4. (a) Define internal direct sum and external direct sum. If V is the internal direct sum of u_1, \dots, u_n , then show that V is isomorphic to the external direct sum of u_1, \dots, u_n .
(b) Prove that e is transcendental.
5. (a) If $p(x)$ is a polynomial in $F[x]$ of degree $n \geq 1$ and is irreducible over F , then prove that there is an extension E of F , such that $[E : F] = n$, in which $p(x)$ has a root.

- (b) If F is of characteristic 0 and if a, b are algebraic over F , then prove that there exists an element $c \in F(a, b)$ such that $F(a, b) = F(c)$.
6. (a) Show that $\text{Hom}(V, W)$ is a vector space over F under suitable operations.
(b) Define inner product space. If $u, v \in V$, where V is inner product space, then prove that $|(u, v)| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$.
7. (a) Define the terms 'normal extension of a field', 'splitting field'. Prove that K is a normal extension of F if and only if K is the splitting field of some polynomial over F .
(b) Prove that S_4 is a solvable group.
8. (a) If A is an algebra, with unit element, over F , then prove that A is isomorphic to a subalgebra of $A(V)$ for some vector space V over F .
(b) If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & -11 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \in F_3$, then prove that $A^3 - 6A^2 + 11A - 6 = 0$.