

- (ii) Prove that a polynomial of degree n over a field can have at most n roots in any extension field.

Or

- (b) (i) Let $f(x) \in F[x]$ be of degree $n \geq 1$. Then prove that there is an extension E of F of degree at most $\lfloor n \rfloor$ in which $f(x)$ has n roots.
- (ii) 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 $F(a, b) = F(c)$.

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Time : 3 hours

Full Marks : 80

Answer from both the Sections as directed

*The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks
Candidates are required to answer in their own words
as far as practicable*

(ALGEBRA)

SECTION – A

1. Answer any *four* of the following : 4 × 4
- (a) Let G be a group, H a subgroup of G , T an automorphism of G . Let $(H)T = \{hT \mid h \in H\}$. Prove $(H)T$ is a subgroup of G .

(2)

(b) If H is a subgroup of G , show that for every $g \in G$, gHg^{-1} is a subgroup of G .

(c) Express the following as the product of disjoint cycles :

$$(1, 2, 3) (4, 5) (1, 6, 7, 8, 9) (1, 5)$$

(d) Compute $a^{-1}ba$, where

$$a = (1, 3, 5) (1, 2), b = (1, 5, 7, 9)$$

(e) List all the conjugate classes in S_3 and verify the class equation.

(f) Prove that if $[a, b] = [a', b']$ and $[c, d] = [c', d']$ then $[a, b][c, d] = [a', b'][c', d']$.

(g) In a commutative ring with unit element, prove that the relation a is an associate of b is an equivalence relation.

(h) Find the greatest common divisor in $J[i]$ of $3 + 4i$ and $4 - 3i$.

(3)

Or

2. Answer all the questions :

2 × 8

(a) Find the orbits and cycles of the following permutations :

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 9 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Prove that $(1, 2, \dots, n)^{-1} = (n, n-1, \dots, 2, 1)$.

(c) State Cayley theorem.

(d) G is a cyclic group of order 12, $T: x \rightarrow x^3$, is T is a automorphism of G ?

(e) Give an example of a dihedral group of order $2n$.

(f) Define p -Sylow subgroup.

(g) Define Euclidean ring.

(h) State Remainder theorem.

SECTION – B

Answer all questions of the following : 16 × 4

3. (a) (i) If G is a group, then prove that $\mathcal{A}(G)$, the set of automorphisms of G , is also a group.
- (ii) If p is a prime number and $p | O(G)$, then prove that G has an element of order p .

Or

- (b) (i) If $O(G) = p^n$ where p is a prime number, then prove that $Z(G) \neq (e)$.
- (ii) Prove Sylow theorem.
4. (a) (i) Let R be a commutative ring with unit element whose only ideals are (0) and R itself. Then prove that R is a field.
- (ii) Let R be a Euclidean ring and $a, b \in R$. If $b \neq 0$ is not a unit in R , then prove that $d(a) < d(ab)$.

Or

- (b) (i) State and prove unique factorization theorem.
- (ii) Find the g.c.d. in $\mathcal{J}[i]$ of $3 + 4i$ and $4 - 3i$.
5. (a) (i) If V is the internal direct sum of U_1, \dots, U_n then prove that V is isomorphic to the external direct sum of U_1, \dots, U_n .
- (ii) Prove that $L(S)$ is a subspace of V .

Or

- (b) (i) If v_1, \dots, v_n are in V , then prove that either they are linearly independent or some v_k is a linear combination of the preceding ones, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1} .
- (ii) If v_1, \dots, v_n is a basis of V over F and if w_1, \dots, w_m in V are linearly independent over F , then prove that $m \leq n$.
6. (a) (i) Prove that the element $a \in K$ is algebraic over F if and only if $F(a)$ is a finite extension of F .