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# **Core Course in Mathematics**

**5B 06 MAT: ABSTRACT ALGEBRA** 

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 48

#### **SECTION-A**

Answer All Questions, Each question carries One Mark. (4×1=4)

- 1. Is the usual addition a binary operation on the set of all prime numbers? Justify your answer.
- 2. Define orbits of a permutation  $\sigma$  of a set A.
- 3. Define normal subgroup of a group G. Given an example.
- 4. What is the characteristic of the ring of real numbers under usual addition and multiplication?

### SECTION-B

Answer any Eight Questions, Each question carries Two Marks. (8×2=16)

- 5. Prove that every cyclic group is abelian.
- **6.** Show that a nonempty subset H of group G is a subgroup of G if and only if  $ab^{-1} \in H$  for all  $a, b \in H$ .
- 7. Describe  $S_n$ , the symmetric group on n letters.
- 8. Find the index of <3> in the group  $Z_{24}$ .

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- **9.** Prove that the identity permutation in  $S_n$  is an even permutation for  $n \ge 2$ .
- 10. Determine the number of group homomorphisms from z onto z.
- 11. Find the characteristic of the ring  $Z_6 \times Z_{21}$ .
- 12. Prove that every field is an integral domain.
- 13. Define a ring and give an example of a finite ring which is not an integral domain.
- 14. Find the remainder of 8103 when divided by 13.

### SECTION - C

Answer any Four Questions, Each question carries four Marks.(4×4=16)

- 15. Show that every finite cyclic group of order n is isomorphic to  $\langle Z_n, +_n \rangle$ .
- 16. Show that the set of all permutations of any nonempty set A is group under permutation multiplication.
- 17. Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.
- **18.** Let  $\varphi$  be a homomorphism of a group G into G. Then prove the following:
  - a) If  $a \in G$ , prove that  $\varphi(a^{-1}) = (\varphi(a))^{-1}$
  - b) If H is a subgroup of G, then  $\phi[H]$  is a subgroup of G'
- 19. Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.
- 20. Prove that in the ring  $Z_n$  the divisors of 0 are precisely those nonzero elements that are not relatively prime to n.

## SECTION-D

Answer any Two Questions, Each Question carries Six Marks.(2x6=12)

- 21. a) Define the greatest common divisor of two positive integers. Also find the quotient and remainder when 50 is divided by 8 according to division algorithm.
  - b) Prove that subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.

- 22. a) State and prove Lagrange's Theorem.
  - b) Prove that the collection of all even permutations of  $\{1,2,3,\ldots,n\}$  forms a subgroup of order  $\frac{n!}{2}$  of the symmetric group  $S_n; n \ge 2$ .
- 23. a) State and prove the fundamental homomorphism theorem.
  - b) Show that a group homomorphism is one-one if and only if its kernel consists of only the identity element.
- 24. a) Show that the cancellation law holds in a ring iff it has no divisors of 0.
  - b) Show that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  is a divisor of 0 in  $M_2(z)$ .