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MATHEMATICS
MAT 2C 06 : Advanced Abstract Algebra

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

Answer any 4 questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

1. Distinguish between primes and irreducibles of an integral domain.
2. Find all the units in $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-5}]$.
3. Find $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt[4]{2}) : \mathbb{Q}]$.
4. If α and β are constructible real numbers, prove that $\alpha\beta$ is also constructible.
5. Find two extensions E and K of \mathbb{Q} such that $[E : \mathbb{Q}] > [K : \mathbb{Q}]$, but $|G(E/\mathbb{Q})| < |G(K/\mathbb{Q})|$.
6. Give the lattice diagram of intermediate fields of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, i)$ over \mathbb{Q} . (4x4=16)

PART – B

Answer 4 questions without omitting any Unit. Each question carries 16 marks.

Unit – I

7. a) Prove that an ideal $\langle p \rangle$ in a PID is maximal if and only if p is an irreducible. 8
 b) Prove or disprove, if F is a field and x, y are indeterminates, then 8
 i) F is a PID ii) $F[x, y]$ is a PID.
8. a) Prove that every Euclidean domain is a PID. 6
 b) Prove that any two non zero elements of a PID have a gcd and that any gcd of a and b can be expressed in the form $\lambda a + \mu b$ for $\lambda, \mu \in D$. 7
 c) Find a gcd of $x^3 - x^2 - 2x + 2$ and $x^3 + x^2 - 2$ in $\mathbb{Q}[x]$. 3

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9. a) Let p be an odd prime in \mathbb{Z} . Prove that $p = a^2 + b^2$ for some integers a and b if and only if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. 14
- b) How would you construct a field of 4 elements? 2

Unit - II

10. a) Prove that if E is a finite extension of F and K is a finite extension of E , then K is a finite extension of F . 10
- b) Let $F \leq E \leq K$, be fields such that E is a finite extension of F and K is an algebraic extension of E . Then prove or disprove :
- i) K is an algebraic extension of F 6
- ii) K is a finite extension of F . 6
11. a) Prove that 'trisecting the angle is impossible'. 6
- b) Prove that if F is a finite field of characteristic p , then the polynomial $x^{p^n} - x$ has p^n distinct zeros in the algebraic closure of F . 6
- c) Find the number of primitive 8th roots of unity in $GF(9)$. 4
12. a) Define Frobenius automorphism of a finite field. If F is a finite field of characteristic p , prove that the fixed field of its Frobenius automorphism is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}_p . 6
- b) State and prove conjugation isomorphism theorem. 10

Unit - III

13. Let E be an algebraic extension of a field F . Let σ be an isomorphism of F onto a field F' . If $\overline{F'}$ denotes an algebraic closure of F' , prove that σ can be extended to an isomorphism τ of E onto a subfield of $\overline{F'}$ such that $\tau(a) = \sigma(a)$ for all $a \in F$. 16
14. a) Prove that every field of characteristic 0 is perfect. 5
- b) Prove that if E is a finite extension of F , then $\{E : F\}$ divides $[E : F]$. 5
- c) Prove that the field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[4]{2})$ is not a splitting field extension of \mathbb{Q} . 6
15. a) Let F be a finite field and let E be a finite extension of F of degree n . Prove that K is a normal extension of F , the group $G(K/F) = \mathbb{Z}_n$ and $G(K/F)$ is generated by σ_p^r where $\sigma_p^r(\alpha) = \alpha^{p^r}$ for $\alpha \in K$ and $p^r = |F|$. (4+6)
- b) Obtain the one-to-one correspondence between the intermediate fields of the extension $\mathbb{Z}_2 \leq F$ and the subgroups of $G(F/\mathbb{Z}_2)$ as in the main theorem, if $F = \mathbb{Z}_2(\alpha)$, where α is a root of $x^4 + x + 1$ in $\overline{\mathbb{Z}_2}$. 6