- 10. Let  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 3 & 6 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$  be permutations in  $S_6$ . Find  $\tau \sigma$  and  $|\langle \sigma \rangle|$ .
- 11. Express the permutation  $\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 4 & 1 & 8 & 2 & 5 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$  in S<sub>8</sub> as a product of disjoint cycles and then as a product of transpositions.
- 12. Find all orbits of the permutation  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 5 & 1 & 3 & 6 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 13. Find the index of (3) in the group of  $\mathbb{Z}_{24}$ .
- 14. Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.
- 15. Prove that a group homomorphism  $\phi: G \to G'$  is a one to one map if and only if ker  $(\phi) = \{e\}$ .
- 16. Let R be a ring with additive identity 0. Then for any a, b ∈ R prove that
  - a) a0 = 0a = 0
  - b) a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab).

PART - C

Answer any 4 questions from among the questions 17 to 23. These questions carry 4 marks each.

- 17. Let G be a group and let g be one fixed element of G. Show that the map  $I_g$ , such that  $i_g(x) = gxg'$  for  $x \in G$  is an isomorphism of G with itself.
- 18. Draw subgroup diagram for Klein 4-group V.
- 19. Let G be a finite cyclic group of order n with generator a. Prove that G is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +_n)$ .
- 20. Let  $n \ge 2$ . Prove that the collection of all even permutations of  $\{1, 2, 3, ..., n\}$  forms a subgroup of order  $\frac{n!}{2}$  of the symmetric group  $S_n$ .
- 21. Let H be a subgroup of G such that  $g^{-1}$  hg  $\in$  H for all  $g \in$  G and all h  $\in$  H. Show that every left coset gH is the same as the right coset Hg.

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- 22. Let H be a subgroup of G. Prove that left coset multiplication is well defined by the equation (aH) (bH) = (ab)H if and only if H is a normal subgroup of G.
- 23. Let  $\phi$  :  $\mathbb{Z} \to S_8$  be homomorphism such that  $\phi(1) = (1, 4, 2, 6)$  (2, 5, 7). Find ker  $(\phi)$  and  $\phi(20)$ .

PART - D

Answer any 2 questions from among the questions 24 to 27. These questions carry 6 marks each.

- 24. a) Let G be a cyclic group with n elements and generated by a. Let  $b \in G$  and  $b = a^s$ . Prove that
  - i) b generates a cyclic subgroup of H of G containing n/d elements, where d is the gcd of n and s.
  - ii)  $\langle a^s \rangle = \langle a^t \rangle$  if and only if gcd (s, n) = gcd (t, n).
  - b) Let p and q be prime numbers. Find the number of generators of the cyclic group  $\mathbb{Z}_{pq}$ .
- 25. a) Prove that every coset (left or right) of a subgroup H of a group G has the same number of elements as H.
  - b) State and prove Lagrange's theorem.
- 26. Let  $\phi: G \to G'$  be a group homomorphism and let  $H = \ker(\phi)$ . Let  $a \in G$ . Prove that the set  $\phi^{-1}[\{\phi(a)\}] = \{x \in G : \phi(x) = \phi(a)\}$  is the left coset aH of H and is also the right coset Ha of H.
- 27. a) Prove that every field F is an integral domain.
  - b) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field.
  - c) Give an example of an integral domain which is not a field.

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PART - A

Answer any 4 questions. They carry 1 mark each.

- 1. Find the order of the cyclic subgroup of  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  generated by 3.
- 2. What is the order of the cycle (1, 4, 5, 7) in  $S_8$ ?
- 3. Let  $\phi: G \to G'$  be a group homomorphism of G onto G'. If G is abelian, prove that G' is abelian.
- 4. Let p be a prime. Show that  $(a + b)^p = a^p + b^p$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ .
- 5. Solve the equation 3x = 2 in the field  $\mathbb{Z}_7$ .

PART - B

Answer any 8 questions from among the questions 6 to 16. These questions carry 2 marks each.

- 6. Prove that in a group G, the identity element and inverse of each element are unique.
- 7. Let H and K be subgroups of a group G. Prove that  $H \cap K$  is a subgroup of G.
- 8. State and prove division algorithm for  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
- 9. Let G be a group and suppose  $a \in G$  generates a cyclic subgroup of order 2 and is the unique such element. Show that ax = xa for all  $x \in G$ .