

$u(n) = \{m \in N \mid m < n, (m, n) = 1\}$ . Then prove that  $(u(n), X_n)$  is a group. If  $n = 100$ , then what is the order of  $u(n)$ ?

- (b) Define Alternating group of order  $n$ . Find all elements of  $A_3$ . 5+5
- (ii) (a) State and prove Lagrange's theorem on groups. By using Lagrange's theorem prove that if  $H$  and  $K$  are subgroups whose orders are relatively prime, then show that  $H \cap K = \{e\}$ .
- (b) How many generators are there of the cyclic group of order 8? (2+4+2)+2
- (iii) (a) Let  $G$  be a finite abelian group and let  $p$  be a prime number such that  $p$  divides order of  $G$ . Then prove that  $G$  has an element of order  $p$ . (Cauchy's Theorem).
- (b) Prove that any group of order four is abelian. 5+5
- (iv) (a) Let  $\theta: G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism of a group  $G$  onto a group  $G'$ . Let  $K = \ker \theta$ . Then prove that  $K$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  and  $\frac{G}{K} \cong G'$ . (First Isomorphism Theorem).
- (b) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . If  $x^2 \in H$  for all  $x \in G$ , then prove that  $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$  and  $G/H$  is commutative. 5+5

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3rd Semester Examination  
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Paper : C 6-T

(Group Theory - I)

[CBCS]

Full Marks : 60

Time : Three Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer any *ten* questions : 2×10=20
- (i) Define abelian group. Give example of a finite abelian group.
- (ii) If  $G$  is a group of even order, then prove that it has an element  $a \neq e$  such that  $a^2 = e$ .
- (iii) Does the set of all odd integers form a group with respect to addition? Give suitable justification.
- (iv) Suppose that a group contains elements  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $O(a) = 4$ ,  $O(b) = 2$  and  $a^3b = ba$ . Find  $O(ab)$ .



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(v) Find the order of  $\alpha\beta$ , if the permutations

$$\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 7 & 6 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

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

(vi) Show that the group  $[\{1,2,3,4\}, X_5]$  is a cyclic group.

(vii) If  $a$  and  $x$  are two elements of a group  $G$  such that  $axa^{-1} = b$ , then find  $x$ . If  $b^n = e$ , then find  $x^n$ .

(viii) Let  $G$  and  $G'$  be two groups and  $\theta: G \rightarrow G'$  be a homomorphism of  $G$  onto  $G'$ . Prove that if  $G$  is cyclic, then  $G'$  is also cyclic.

(ix) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Prove that  $H = hH$  if and only if  $h \in H$ .

(x) Prove that every cyclic group is abelian, but converse is not true in general.

(xi) Define center of a group. If  $G$  be a group of order 4, what will be its center.

(xii) Define quotient group.

(xiii) Consider the group  $G = GL(2, R)$  under multiplication and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find centralizer of  $A$ , i.e.,  $C(A)$ .

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(xiv) Prove that intersection of two normal subgroups is normal.

(xv) Show that the direct product  $Z_6 \times Z_4$  is not cyclic group.

2. Answer any *four* questions :

5×4=20

(i) Prove that the set of matrices

$$A_\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \text{ where } \alpha \text{ is a real number,}$$

forms a group under matrix multiplication. Does it abelian group?

(ii) Define even and odd permutation. Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  belong to  $S_n$ . Prove that  $\beta\alpha\beta^{-1}$  and  $\alpha$  both are either even or odd permutation together.

(iii) Define centralizer of an element in a group. Prove that for each  $a$  in a group  $G$ , the centralizer of  $a$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .

(iv) How many elements of order 9 does  $Z_3 \oplus Z_9$  have?

(v) Find all the homomorphism of the group  $(Z, +)$  to the group  $(Z, +)$ .

(vi) Prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.

3. Answer any *two* questions :

10×2=20

(i) (a) Let  $n > 1$  be a fixed integer and let

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