



WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY
B.Sc. Honours/Programme 4th Semester Examination, 2020

MTMHGEC04T/MTMGCOR04T-MATHEMATICS (GE4/DSC4)

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.
All symbols are of usual significance.*

Answer Question No. 1 and any five from the rest

1. Answer any **five** questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
- (a) Prove that f is invertible when $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = 3x + 1$, $x \in \mathbf{R}$.
- (b) Check whether the following relation ρ is an equivalence relation or not on the set of integers \mathbb{Z} . Justify your answer.
 $x \rho y$ if and only if $x - y$ is an even integer.
- (c) Examine that every cyclic group is abelian.
- (d) In a group $(G, 0)$, a is an element of order 30. Find the order of a^{18} .
- (e) Find the order of the quotient group $\mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z}$.
- (f) Find the elements of the ring \mathbb{Z}_{12} which are zero divisors.
- (g) Show that the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 0 \\ 0 & 2b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbf{Z} \right\}$ contains divisors of zero and does not contain the unity.
- (h) Consider the ring \mathbb{Z} . In this ring, prove that $5\mathbb{Z} = \{5k : k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is an ideal of \mathbb{Z} .
2. (a) Let ρ be a reflexive and transitive relation on a set S . Prove that $\rho \cap \rho^{-1}$ is an equivalence relation on the set S . 3
- (b) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ and $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be functions defined by $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ and $g(x) = 3x + 1$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$, where \mathbb{R}^+ is the set of all positive real numbers. Find $f \circ g$ and $g \circ f$. Is $f \circ g = g \circ f$? 2+2+1
3. (a) Prove that inverse of a bijective function is also bijective. 4
- (b) Let H be a normal subgroup of a group G . Prove that if G is commutative, then so is the quotient group G/H . 4

4. (a) If G is a group such that $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2$ for all $a, b \in G$; then show that G must be abelian. 4
- (b) Let H be a subgroup of a group G and $[G : H] = 2$. Then H is normal in G . 4
5. (a) Find an element $[b] \in \mathbb{Z}_9$ such that $[8] \cdot [b] = [1]$. Does $[b] \in U_9$? 3+2
- (b) Let G be a group. Prove that $Z(G)$ is a normal subgroup of G . 3
6. (a) Let H be a subgroup of a group G . Then for all $a, b \in G$, either $aH = bH$ or $aH \cap bH = \emptyset$. 4
- (b) If $\alpha = (1\ 2\ 5\ 7)$ and $\beta = (2\ 4\ 6) \in S_7$, find $\alpha \circ \beta \circ \alpha^{-1}$. 4
7. (a) Show that if p be a prime and a be a positive integer such that p is not a divisor of a then $a^{(p-1)} \equiv 1 \pmod{p}$. 4
- (b) Prove that every group of order less than 6 is commutative. 4
8. (a) Show that all complex roots of $z^6 = 1$ form a group under the usual complex multiplication. 3
- (b) Let R be the set of all even integers. Define addition as usual and multiplication by $a \cdot b = \frac{1}{2}ab$. Show that R is a ring. 5
9. (a) Prove that the ring of matrices $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbf{R} \right\}$ is a field 4
- (b) Prove that a field is an integral domain. 4

N.B. : Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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