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MATHEMATICS

Paper X

(Ring Theory)

(MCQ + Theory)

(Thursday, 20-10-2016)

Time : 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Time—2 Hours

Maximum Marks—40

- N.B. :—*
- (i) All questions are compulsory.
 - (ii) First **30** minutes for Q. No. **1** and remaining time for other questions.
 - (iii) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
 - (iv) Use black ball point pen to darken the circle on OMR sheet for Q. No. **1**.
 - (v) Negative marking system is applicable for Q. No. **1** (MCQ).

MCQ

1. Choose the *correct* alternative for each of the following : 10
- (i) If R is the set of rational numbers under the usual addition and multiplication of rational numbers, then :
 - (A) R is a commutative ring
 - (B) R has a unit element
 - (C) R is a field
 - (D) All of these are correct
 - (ii) A commutative ring is an integral domain if :
 - (A) It has zero divisors
 - (B) It has no zero divisors
 - (C) It has a unit element
 - (D) None of these

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- (iii) Let R and R' be two arbitrary rings and define $\phi : R \rightarrow R'$ as $\phi(a) = 0$ for all $a \in R$, then :
- (A) ϕ is not a homomorphism
 - (B) $I(\phi) = 0$
 - (C) ϕ is a homomorphism with $I(\phi) = R$
 - (D) ϕ is a homomorphism with $I(\phi) = 0$
- (iv) If U is an ideal of R and $1 \in U$, then :
- (A) $U = 0$
 - (B) $U = R$
 - (C) $U \neq R$
 - (D) All of these
- (v) An ideal $M \neq R$ in a ring R is said to be a maximal ideal of R if whenever U is an ideal of R such that $M \subset U \subset R$, then :
- (A) $R \neq U$
 - (B) $M \neq U$
 - (C) $R = U$ and $M = U$
 - (D) $R = U$ or $M = U$
- (vi) In the Euclidean ring R , a and b in R are said to be relatively prime, if :
- (A) their greatest common divisor is a unit of R
 - (B) a divides b
 - (C) b divides a
 - (D) their least common multiple is zero
- (vii) If $p(x) = 1 + x - x^2$ and $q(x) = 2 + x^2 + x^3$, then $p(x) \cdot q(x) =$
- (A) $2 + 2x + x^2 + 2x^3 + x^5$
 - (B) $3 + x + x^3$
 - (C) $2 + 2x - x^2 + 2x^3 - x^5$
 - (D) None of these
- (viii) A polynomial $p(x)$ in $f(x)$ is said to be irreducible over F if whenever $p(x) = a(x) \cdot b(x)$ with $a(x), b(x) \in F(x)$, then :
- (A) both $a(x), b(x)$ must have degree 0
 - (B) one of $a(x)$ or $b(x)$ has degree 0
 - (C) neither $a(x)$ nor $b(x)$ has degree 0
 - (D) both $a(x), b(x)$ has degree 1
- (ix) If $f(x), g(x)$ are non-zero elements in $F(x)$, then :
- (A) $\deg f(x) \geq \deg f(x) \cdot g(x)$
 - (B) $\deg f(x) \leq \deg g(x)$
 - (C) $\deg f(x) \leq \deg f(x) \cdot g(x)$
 - (D) $\deg f(x) = \deg f(x) + \deg g(x)$

- (x) If $a \neq 0$, $b \neq 0$ are in \mathbb{R} and $a|b$, $b|c$, then :
- (A) $a|c$ (B) $c|a$
 (C) $a = c$ (D) $a = bc$

Theory

2. Attempt any *two* of the following : 5 each
- (a) If \mathbb{R} is a ring, then for all $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$,
 prove that :
- (i) $a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0$
 (ii) $a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab)$
- (b) If ϕ is a homomorphism of \mathbb{R} in \mathbb{R}' , then prove that :
- (i) $\phi(0) = 0$
 (ii) $\phi(-a) = -\phi(a)$ for every $a \in \mathbb{R}$
- (c) If $\mathbb{R} = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}, \bar{2}, \bar{3}, \bar{4}, \bar{5}, \bar{6}\}$ is the set of integers mod 7 under the addition and multiplication mod 7, then find :
- (i) $\bar{2} + \bar{3}$
 (ii) $\bar{4} + \bar{5}$
 (iii) $\bar{0} + \bar{6}$
 (iv) $\bar{2} \cdot \bar{5}$
 (v) $\bar{4} \cdot \bar{3}$
3. Attempt any *two* of the following : 5 each
- (a) If U is an ideal of \mathbb{R} , then prove that \mathbb{R}/U is a ring.
 (b) Prove that a Euclidean ring possesses a unit element.
 (c) If U, V are ideals of \mathbb{R} , let $U + V = \{u + v \mid u \in U, v \in V\}$, then prove that $U + V$ is also an ideal.
4. Attempt any *two* of the following : 5 each
- (a) If p is a prime number of the form $4n + 1$, then prove that we can solve the congruence $x^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.
 (b) If $f(x), g(x)$ are two non-zero elements of $F(x)$, then prove that :
 $\deg(f(x) \cdot g(x)) = \deg f(x) + \deg g(x)$.
 (c) Prove that $x^2 + 1$ is irreducible over the integers mod 7.