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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Mathematics

Core Course XI

MM 1643 : ABSTRACT ALGEBRA-RING THEORY

(2018 Admission Regular)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

SECTION – I

Answer **all** the first 10 questions. Each carries **1** mark.

1. Give an example of a non-commutative ring with unity.
2. Write a subring of $\mathbb{Z}_6$, the integers modulo 6.
3. Define the term "Zero divisors".
4. Why $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$, the integers modulo 10 is not an integral domain.
5. Find the characteristic of the integral domain $\mathbb{Z}_{19}$, the integers modulo 19.
6. List the elements in $2\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$.
7. Show that the correspondence $x \mapsto 3x$ from $\mathbb{Z}_4$ to $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ does not preserve multiplication.
8. Give an example of an integral domain which is not a unique factorization domain.

9. True or False : "The ring of Gaussian integers a unique factorization domain".
10. In the ring of integers, find a positive integer a such that $\langle a \rangle = \langle 6 \rangle + \langle 8 \rangle$.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

SECTION – II

Answer **any eight** questions among the questions 11 to 26. They carry **2** marks each.

11. Let $\phi : \mathbf{R}[x] \mapsto \mathbf{C}$ be a homomorphism with the property that $\phi(x) = \phi(i)$. Evaluate $\phi(x^2 + 1)$.
12. Show that the polynomial $2x + 1$ in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ has a multiplicative inverse in $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$.
13. Show that the polynomial $2x^2 + 4$ is not reducible over $\mathbb{Q}$ but reducible over $\mathbb{Z}$.
14. Suppose that R is an integral domain in which $20 * 1 = 0$ and $12 * 1 = 0$. What is the characteristic of R ?
15. Let D be a Euclidean domain with measure d . Show that if a and b are associates in D , then $d(a) = d(b)$.
16. Show that $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-6}]$ is not a unique factorization domain.
17. If a and b belong to $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{d}]$, where d is not divisible by the square of a prime and ab is a unit, prove that a and b are units.
18. Give an example of ring elements a and b with the properties that $ab = 0$ but $ba \neq 0$.
19. Prove that "Let a, b and c belong to an integral domain. If $a \neq 0$ and $ab = ac$, then $b = c$ ".
20. Prove that the only idempotents in an integral domain are 0 and 1.
21. Consider the equation $x^2 - 5x + 6 = 0$. Find all solutions of this equation in $\mathbb{Z}_8$.
22. Find a subring of $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ that is not an ideal of $\mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$.
23. Draw the lattice diagram of ideals of $\mathbb{Z}_{36}$.
24. Give an example of a commutative ring that has a maximal ideal that is not a prime ideal.

25. Show that the mapping $a + ib$ to $a - ib$ is a ring isomorphism from the complex numbers onto the complex numbers.
26. Give an example of a ring with unity 1 that has a subring with unity $1'$ such that $1' \neq 1$.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

SECTION – III

Answer **any six** questions among the questions 27 to 38. They carry **4** marks each.

27. If R is a ring, then for any $a, b \in R$, show that $a(-b) = (-a)b = -(ab)$.
28. Show that "If p is a prime, then $\mathbb{Z}_p$ is a field".
29. Let F be a field of order 2^n . Prove that characteristic of $F = 2$.
30. Let p be a prime. Show that in the ring $\mathbb{Z}_p$ you have $(a + b)^p = a^p + b^p$ for every $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$.
31. Let R be a ring and let I be an ideal of R . Prove that the factor ring R/I is commutative if and only if $rs - sr \in I$ for all r and s in R .
32. Find all ring homomorphisms from $\mathbb{Z}_{12}$ to $\mathbb{Z}_{30}$.
33. Show that "If D is an integral domain, then $D[x]$ is an integral domain".
34. Find the quotient and remainder upon dividing $f(x) = 3x^4 + x^3 + 2x^2 + 1$ by $g(x) = x^2 + 4x + 2$.
35. By stating necessary theorem show that the polynomial $3x^5 + 15x^4 - 20x^3 + 10x + 20$ is irreducible over $\mathbb{Q}$, the set of rational numbers.
36. Prove that "In an integral domain, every prime is an irreducible".
37. Let F be a field and let a be a non zero element of F . If $f(x + a)$ is irreducible over F , prove that $f(x)$ is irreducible over F .
38. Let D be a Euclidean domain with measure d . Prove that u is a unit in D if and only if $d(u) = d(1)$.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

SECTION – IV

Answer **any two** questions among the questions 39 to 44. They carry **15** marks each.

39. Prove that "Let R be a commutative ring with unity and let A be an ideal of R . Then R/A is an integral domain if and only if A is prime".
40. (a) Let a and b be idempotents in a commutative ring. Show that each of the following is also an idempotent :
- (i) ab
 - (ii) $a - ab$
 - (iii) $a + b - ab$
 - (iv) $a + b - 2ab$.
- (b) Show that a unit of a ring divides every element of the ring.
41. (a) Prove that "Let ϕ be a ring homomorphism from a ring R to a ring S . Then $\text{Ker}\phi = \{r \in R; \phi(r) = 0\}$ is an ideal of R ".
- (b) Show that $\phi: \mathbb{Z}_4 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ by $\phi(x) = 5x$ is a ring homomorphism.
42. Prove that "A polynomial of degree n over a field has at most n zeros, counting multiplicity".
43. Prove that "Let $f(x) \in \mathbb{Z}[x]$. If $f(x)$ is reducible over $\mathbb{Q}$, then it is reducible over $\mathbb{Z}$ ".
44. In $\mathbb{Z}[i]$, show that 3 is irreducible but 2 and 5 are not.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)