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# MSc DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION , JANUARY 2022 Second Semester

## CORE - ME010201 - ADVANCED ABSTRACT ALGEBRA

M Sc MATHEMATICS,M Sc MATHEMATICS (SF)
2019 Admission Onwards

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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

#### Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

- 1. Prove that the set of all algebraic numbers form a field.
- 2. Prove that a finite extension E of a finite field F is a simple extension of F.
- 3. Express  $18x^2-12x+48$  as a product of its content with a primitive polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$
- 4. Check whether the function u for the integral domain  $\mathbb Z$  given by  $u(n)=n^2$  for nonzero  $n\in\mathbb Z$  is a Euclidean norm.
- 5. Define Gaussian integers and a norm for it.
- 6. Prove that for  $a,b\in\mathbb{R}$  with  $b\neq 0$ , the conjugate complex numbers a+bi and a-bi are conjugate over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- 7. What is the order of  $G(\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})/\mathbb{Q})$ ?
- 8. Prove that the splitting field over  $\mathbb Q$  of  $x^3-2$  is of degree  $\,6$  over  $\mathbb Q.$
- 9. Let f(x) be a polynomial in F[x] where F is a field. Define the group of f(x) over F.
- 10. Show that  $x^4 + 1$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Q}[x]$ .

(8×1=8 weightage)

#### Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

- 11. Find the degree and a basis for  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2},\sqrt{3},\sqrt{1}8)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$
- 12. If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are constructible real numbers, then prove that  $\alpha+\beta, \alpha-\beta, \alpha\beta, \alpha/\beta$  when  $\beta\neq 0$  are constructible.
- 13. Define an irreducible element in a PID. Prove that an ideal (ρ) in a PID is maximal if and only if p is an irreducible.



- 14. Define(i) UFD, (ii) PID, (iii) Euclidean domain
- 15. Let  $E=\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2},\sqrt{3})$  and  $F=\mathbb{Q}$ . Let  $\sigma_1=\psi_{\sqrt{2},-\sqrt{2}}$  ,  $\sigma_2=\psi_{\sqrt{3},-\sqrt{3}}$  and  $\sigma_3=\sigma_1\sigma_2$  . Find the fixed fields  $E_{\{\sigma_1,\sigma_3\}}$  ,  $E_{\{\sigma_3\}}$  and  $E_{\{\sigma_2,\sigma_3\}}$ .
- 16. Let E be a finite extension of a field F. Let  $\sigma$  be an isomorphism of F onto a field F' and let  $\overline{F'}$  be an algebraic closure of F'. Prove that the number of extensions of  $\sigma$  to an isomorphism  $\tau$  of E onto a subfield of  $\overline{F'}$  is finite and independent of F',  $\overline{F'}$  and  $\sigma$ .
- 17. Let  $\overline{F}$  be an algebraic closure of a field F and let  $f(x)=x^n+a_{n-1}x^{n-1}+\cdots+a_1x+a_0$  be a monic polynomial in  $\overline{F}[x]$ . If  $(f(x))^m\in F[x]$  and  $m\cdot 1\neq 0$  in F, prove that  $f(x)\in F[x]$ , that is, all  $a_i\in F$ .
- 18. State and prove Primitive element theorem.

(6×2=12 weightage)

### Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions.

Weight 5 each.

- 19. a) Let F be a field and let f(x) be a nonconstant polynomial in F[x]. Then prove that there exists an extension field E of F and an  $\alpha \in E$  such that  $f(\alpha)=0$ 
  - b) Construct a finite field of 4 elements
- 20. a) If D is a UFD, then prove that a product of two primitive polynomials in D[x] is again primitive.
  b) Let D be a UFD and let F be a field of quotients of D. Let f(x) in D[x] has degree greater than 0. If f(x) is irreducible in D[x], then prove that f(x) is also irreducible in F[x]. Also if f(x) is primitive in D[x] and irreducible in F[x], then prove that f(x) is irreducible in D[x].
- 21. a) State and prove the isomorphism extension theorem.

  b) Prove that any two algebraic closures of a field F are isomorphic under an isomorphism leaving each element of F fixed.
- 22. a) Let F be a field and f(x) be an irreducible polynomial in F[x]. Prove that all zeros of f(x) in  $\overline{F}$  have the same multiplicity.
  - b) Let F be a field and f(x) be an irreducible polynomial in F[x]. Prove that f(x) has a factorization in  $\overline{F}[x]$  of the form  $a\prod_i(x-\alpha_i)^{\nu}$  where  $\alpha_i$  are the distinct zeros of f(x) in  $\overline{F}$  and  $a\in F$ .
  - c) If E is a finite extension of a field F, then prove that  $\{E:F\}$  divides [E:F].

(2×5=10 weightage)