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Mathematics

ALGEBRA

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 marks

Answer ALL questions

Subdivisions a,b and c in each question carry 4,6 and 10 marks respectively

1. (a) Define the following:
- (i) Integer monic.
 - (ii) Normalizer.
- (b) (i) Let G be a group and suppose that G is the internal direct product of $N_1, \dots, N_n$. Let $N_1 \times N_2 \times \dots \times N_n$. Then prove that G and T are isomorphic.

Or

- (ii) State and prove Gauss Lemma.

- (c) (i) If p is a prime number and $p \mid o(G)$, then prove that G has an element of order p .

Or

- (ii) Show that if R is unique factorization domain, then so is $R[x]$.

2. (a) Define the following:

- (i) Algebraic extension.
- (ii) Algebraic of degree n .

- (b) (i) Prove that K is a normal extension of F if and only if K is the splitting field of some polynomial over F .

Or

- (ii) Let C be the field of complex numbers and suppose that the division ring D is algebraic over C . then prove that $D = C$.

- (c) (i) Prove that a polynomial of degree n over a field can have at most n roots in any extension field.

Or

- (ii) State and prove Wedderburn theorem.

3. (a) If f and g are linear functionals on a vector space V , then g is a scalar multiple of f if and only if the null space of g contains the null space of f , that is, if and only if $f(\alpha) = 0$ implies $g(\alpha) = 0$.
- (b) (i) Let T be a linear transformation from V into W . Then prove that T is non-singular if and only if T carries each linearly independent subset of V onto a linearly independent subset of W .

Or

- (ii) Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F . For each vector α in V define $L_\alpha(f) = f(\alpha)$, f in V^* . Then Prove that the mapping $\alpha \rightarrow L_\alpha$ is isomorphism of V onto V^{**} .
- (c) (i) Let V and W be vector spaces over the field F and let T be a linear transformation from V into W . Suppose that V is finite dimensional. Then prove that $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V$.

Or

- (ii) Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F , and let W be a subspace of V then prove that $\dim W + \dim W^\circ = \dim V$.

4. (a) Prove that a linear combination of n -linear functions is n -linear.
- (b) (i) Let p , f and g be polynomials over the field F . Suppose that p is a prime polynomial and that p divides the product $f g$. Then prove that either p divides f or p divides g .

Or

- (ii) If f , d are polynomials over a field F and d is different from 0 then there exist polynomials q , r in $F[x]$ such that

$$(1) \quad f = dq + r.$$

$$(2) \quad \text{either } r = 0 \text{ or } \deg r < \deg d.$$

Then prove that the polynomials q , r satisfying (1) and (2) are unique.

- (c) (i) Prove that if F is a field, a non-scalar monic polynomial in $F[x]$ can be factored as a product of monic primes in $F[x]$ in one and, except for order, only one way.

Or

- (ii) Let D be an n -linear function on $n \times n$ matrices over K . Suppose D has the property that $D(A) = 0$ whenever two adjacent rows of A are equal. Then prove that D is alternating.

5. (a) Let W be an invariant subspace for T . The characteristic polynomial for the restriction operator T_W divides the characteristic polynomial for T . Then prove that the minimal polynomial for T_W divides the minimal polynomial for T .

(b) (i) Let V be finite dimensional vector space over the field F and let T be a linear operator on V . Then prove that T is diagonalizable if and only if the minimal polynomial for T has the form $p = (x - c_1) \cdots (x - c_k)$ where $c_1, \dots, c_k$ are distinct elements of F .

Or

(ii) Let T be a linear operator on an n -dimensional vector space V [or, let A be an $n \times n$ matrix]. Then prove that the characteristic and minimal polynomials for T [for A] have the same roots, except for multiplicities.

(c) (i) Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a commuting family of trainaguable linear operators on V . Let W be a proper subspace of V which is invariant under $\mathcal{F}$. Then prove that there exist a vector α in V such that

- (1) α is not in W ;
- (2) for each T in $\mathcal{F}$, the vector $T\alpha$ is in the subspace spanned by α and W .

Or

(ii) Let T be the linear operator on R^3 which is represented in the standard ordered

basis by the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -6 & -6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$

prove that T is diagonalizable.