2020-23

Full Marks: 80

Time: 3 hours

Answer any four questions in which Q. No. 1 is compulsory

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

1. Answer all questions:

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- (a) The identity element in a group G is unique.
- (b) Define abelian group with example.
- (c) Find inverse of the permutation

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) Find the identity element of the set S of all +ve rationals forms a group under the binary operation * defined by

$$a*b=\frac{ab}{2}.$$

- (e) Define cosets of a subgroup H in a group G.
- (f) If in a group every element is its own inverse then prove that the group is abelian.
- (g) Define onto isomorphism of groups.
- (h) Define centre set of a group.
- (i) Prove that every cyclic group is an abelian group.
- (j) If G_1 and G_2 are two groups, define external direct product $G_1 \times G_2$.

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- 2. (a) Prove that the fourth root of unity is an abelian group w.r.t. multiplication. 10
 - (b) Prove that inverse of an element in a group is unique.
- 3. (a) If G is a multiplicative group, Prove that:
 - (i) $(a^{-1})^{-1} = a, \forall a \in G$

$$(ii) (ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}, \forall a, b \in G$$
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- (b) (i) Define order of an element of a group. Find order of each element of multiplicative group $\{1, -1, i, -i\}$
 - (ii) Prove that order of an element a of a group is same as that of its inverse a^{-1} .
- 4. (a) If H_1 and H_2 are two subgroups of a

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group G then $H_1 \cap H_2$ is a subgroup of G.

- (b) A subgroup H of a group G is a normal in G iff every left coset of H is a right coset of H in G.
- 5. (a) If G is any group and $a \in G$, then centralizer C(a) is a subgroup of G. 10
 - (b) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.
- 6. If $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, then prove that $A^4 = I$ the identity permutation, also prove that $\{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$ forms a cyclic group of order 4.
- State and prove Cayley's theorem.
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Suppose G_1 and G_2 are groups. Prove that $G_1 \times \{e_2\}$ and $\{e_1\} \times G_2$ are normal subgroups of $G_1 \times G_2$, e_1 and e_2 are unit elements of G_1 and G_2 respectively.

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