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Time : 2:30 Hours

[The figure in the margin indicates full marks. Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.]

Group-A

(Multiple Choice Type Question)

1 x 15=15

1. Choose the correct alternative from the following :

- (i) Identify the number of elements of order 2 in a cyclic group of even order is
 - a) 1
 - b) 2
 - c) 4
 - d) 6
- (ii) Evaluate the number of abelian groups upto isomorphism of order 10^5
 - a) 2
 - b) 5
 - c) 7
 - d) 49
- (iii) Identify the correct option. If H and K are two subgroups of G , then
 - a) HK is a subgroup but $H \cap K$ may not be a subgroup
 - b) $H \cap K$ is a subgroup but HK may not be a subgroup
 - c) Both HK and $H \cap K$ are subgroups
 - d) neither HK nor $H \cap K$ are subgroups
- (iv) If a cyclic group has only three subgroups which are $\{e\}$, a subgroup of order 7 and the group itself. Then, identify the order of the group is
 - a) 7
 - b) 14
 - c) 49
 - d) None of these
- (v) Identify the correct option. In $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$, the order of all inverse elements is
 - a) zero
 - b) one
 - c) two
 - d) infinite
- (vi) Identify the correct option. Which of the following is not true?

- a) Every group of prime order is cyclic
 b) A cyclic group is of prime order
 c) Every group of order less than 6 is commutative
 d) If G be a cyclic group of prime order, then every non-identity elements of G is a generator of the group.
- (vii) Write the correct option. Extension of \mathbb{Q}
- a) \mathbb{N}
 b) \mathbb{Z}
 c) \mathbb{Q}
 d) \mathbb{R}
- (viii) If G is a group of even order, then select the correct option from below for it has element of order two
- a) at least one
 b) at least two
 c) exactly two
 d) at most two
- (ix) Select the correct option. $(m\mathbb{Z}, +)$ is a commutative group, then
- a) m is prime
 b) m is rational
 c) m is real
 d) m is natural number
- (x) The number of generators of the cyclic group $(\mathbb{Z}_{10}, +)$ is
- a) 3
 b) 4
 c) 2
 d) 5
- (xi) Let G be a group of order 1225, then select the correct option for the group G from below
- a) abelian but not cyclic group
 b) cyclic group
 c) simple group
 d) None of these
- (xii) Write the correct option. Extension of \mathbb{Q}
- a) \mathbb{N}
 b) \mathbb{Z}
 c) \mathbb{Q}
 d) \mathbb{C}
- (xiii) Write the cardinality of the centre of \mathbb{Z}_{12}
- a) 1
 b) 2
 c) 3
 d) 12
- (xiv) If $c = (1,2,3,4)$, then calculate c^2
- a) $(1,3)(2,4)$
 b) $(1,3)$
 c) $(2,4)$
 d) $(2,3)(3,1)$
- (xv) If G is a group of even order, for all $a \neq e$ if $a^2 = e$, then select the correct option for the group G
- a) abelian group
 b) subgroup
 c) normal group
 d) None of these

Group-B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

3 x 5=15

2. Describe permutation group. State Cayley's theorem. (3)
3. Test that every proper subgroup of a group of order 6 is cyclic. (3)
4. Define nilpotent element of a ring. Show that a ring containing no divisor of zero contains no non-zero nilpotent element. (3)

5. Examine that $\sqrt[3]{2}$ is algebraic of degree 3 over \mathbb{Q} . (3)

6. Let R be the ring of all real-valued continuous functions defined on the closed unit interval, i.e., on $[0,1]$ and let $S = \{f \in R: f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0\}$. Justify whether S is an ideal of R or not. (3)

OR

What is radical extension? Conclude when a polynomial is called solvable by radicals? (3)

Group-C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

5 x 6=30

7. Justify that no group of order 40 is simple. (5)

8. Define group action and give an example. (5)

9. In the ring $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +, \cdot)$ show that an element \bar{m} is a unit if and only if the $\gcd(m, n)$ is 1. (5)

10. Evaluate $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{7}) : \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})]$ and $[\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3}) : \mathbb{Q}]$. (5)

11. Let K be a field of characteristic 0. Let F/K be finite normal extension. Let $g(x) \in K[x]$ and E be the splitting field of $g(x)$ over F . Then deduce that E/K is normal extension. (5)

12. Justify that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ is a normal extension of \mathbb{Q} . (5)

OR

Justify that the symmetric group S_3 has a trivial centre. (5)
