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**3 SEM TDC MTMH (CBCS) C 6**

**2021**

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**MATHEMATICS**

( Core )

Paper : C-6

( **Group Theory—I** )

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. (a) What is the inverse of the element 13 in  $Z_{20}$ ? 1
- (b) List the elements of  $U(20)$ . 1
- (c) Let  $G$  be a group and  $a, b \in G$  such that  $a^3 = e$ ,  $aba^{-1} = b^2$ . Find  $O(b)$ . 2
- (d) Let  $G$  be a group, then prove that  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$ ,  $\forall a, b \in G$  2

(e) In  $D_4$ , find all elements  $X$  such that

(i)  $X^3 = V$

(ii)  $X^3 = R_{90}$

(iii)  $X^3 = R_0$

(iv)  $X^2 = R_0$

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Or

Construct a complete Cayley table for  $D_3$ .

(f) Prove that the set  $G = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  is a finite abelian group of order 6 with respect to multiplication modulo 7.

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2. (a) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be two subgroups of a group  $G$ . Then, write the condition such that  $H \cup K$  may be a subgroup of  $G$ .

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(b) Define index of a subgroup in a group.

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(c) Prove that a non-empty subset  $H$  of a finite group  $G$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $HH = H$ .

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(d) Define normalizer of an element in a group  $G$  and also show that  $N(a)$  is a subgroup of the group  $G$  where  $a \in G$ .

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Or

Prove that  $O(C(a)) = 1$  if and only if  $a \in Z(G)$ .

- (e) Prove that the relation of conjugacy is an equivalence relation. 4
3. (a) Write all the subgroups of a cyclic group of order 12. 1
- (b) State Fermat's little theorem. 1
- (c) Prove that a group of prime order has no proper subgroup. 2
- (d) Give an example of a cyclic group whose order is not prime. 2
- (e) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $a, b \in G$ . Then show that
- (i)  $Ha = Hb$  iff  $ab^{-1} \in H$
- (ii)  $Ha$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff  $a \in H$  4
- (f) Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a finite group  $G$ . Then prove that the order of  $H$  divides the order of  $G$ . 5

- (g) Prove that an infinite cyclic group has exactly two generators. 5

Or

Prove that the order of a finite cyclic group is equal to the order of its generator.

4. (a) State Cauchy's theorem for finite abelian group. 1

- (b) Prove that quotient group of an abelian group is abelian. 2

- (c) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is normal. 3

- (d) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be two subgroups of a group  $G$ . Then prove that  $HK$  is a subgroup of  $G$  if  $K$  is normal subgroup of  $G$ . Also if  $H$  and  $K$  both are normal subgroups, then  $HK$  is also normal subgroup of  $G$ . 4

- (e) If  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are groups, then prove that  
(i) identity is the only element common to  $G_1 \times \{e_2\}$  and  $\{e_1\} \times G_2$

(ii) every element of  $G_1 \times G_2$  can be uniquely expressed as the product of an element in  $G_1 \times \{e_2\}$  by an element in  $\{e_1\} \times G_2$

(iii)  $G_1 \times G_2 \cong G_2 \times G_1$  1+2+2=5

Or

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a group  $G$  such that  $x^2 \in H, \forall x \in G$ . Then prove that  $H$  is normal subgroup of  $G$ . Also prove that  $G/H$  is abelian. 5

5. (a) Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of a group  $G$  and  $f: G \rightarrow G/H$  such that  $f(x) = Hx, \forall x \in G$ . Then prove that  $f$  is an epimorphism. 2

(b) Let  $f$  be a homomorphism from a group  $G$  into a group  $G'$ . Then prove that

(i)  $f(a^{-1}) = [f(a)]^{-1}, \forall a \in G$

(ii) if  $O(a)$  is finite, then  $O(f(a)) | O(a)$  where  $a \in G$  3

(c) Let  $H$  and  $K$  be two normal subgroups of a group  $G$  such that  $H \subseteq K$ . Then prove that  $\frac{G}{K} \cong \frac{G/H}{K/H}$ . 5

- (d) Prove that the necessary and sufficient condition for a homomorphism of a group  $G$  onto a group  $G'$  with kernel  $K$  to be an isomorphism is that  $K = \{e\}$ .

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Or

State and prove Cayley's theorem.

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