



## ED-309

M.A./M.Sc. 1st Semester  
Examination, March-April 2021

### MATHEMATICS

Paper - I

Advanced Abstract Algebra - I

*Time* : Three Hours]      [*Maximum Marks* : 80

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**Note** : Answer any **two** parts from each question. All questions carry equal marks.

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1. (a) Show that the symmetric group  $S_3$  of degree 3 is solvable.  
(b) Prove that a group of order  $P^n$  ( $P$  is prime) is nilpotent.  
(c) Show that there exist at least one composition series for each finite group.
  
2. (a) Let  $K$  be an extension of  $F$ . If  $a, b$  in  $E$  are algebraic over  $F$ , then prove  $a \pm b$ ,  $ab$  and  $ab^{-1}$  ( $b \neq 0$ ) are all algebraic over  $F$ .

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- (b) Let  $E$  be an extension field of  $F$ . If  $a \in E$  is algebraic over  $F$  of odd degree, show that  $F(a) = F(a^2)$ .
- (c) For any field  $K$  prove that the following statements are equivalent :
- (i)  $K$  is algebraically closed.
  - (ii) Every irreducible polynomial in  $K(x)$  is of degree 1.
  - (iii) Every polynomial in  $K(x)$  of positive degree factors completely in  $K(x)$  into linear factors.
3. (a) Let  $C$  be the field of complex numbers and  $R$  the field of real numbers. Show that  $C$  is a normal extension of  $R$ .
- (b) If  $f(x) \in F(x)$  is an irreducible polynomial over a finite field  $F$ , then show that all the roots of  $f(x)$  are distinct.
- (c) Let  $E$  be a finite extension of  $F$ , then  $E$  is a normal extension of  $F$  if and only if  $E$  is a splitting field of some polynomial over  $F$ .
4. (a) Let  $E$  be a finite normal extension of a field  $F$ . If  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  are conjugate elements in  $E$  over  $F$ , then prove there exists an  $F$ -automorphism  $\sigma$  of  $E$  such that  $\sigma(\alpha_1) = \sigma(\alpha_2)$ .

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(b) Let  $H$  be a finite subgroup of the group of automorphism of a field  $E$ . Then prove

$$|E : E_H| = |H|$$

(c) Find the Galois group of  $x^3 - 2 \in Q(x)$ .

5. (a) Prove that  $f(x) \in F(x)$  is solvable by radicals over  $F$  if and only if its splitting field  $E$  over  $F$  has solvable Galois group  $G(E/F)$ .
- (b) Show that the polynomial  $2x^5 - 5x^4 + 5$  is not solvable by radicals.
- (c) Show that if an irreducible polynomial  $p(x) \in F(x)$  over a field  $F$  has a root in a radical extension of  $F$ , then  $p(x)$  is solvable by radicals over  $F$ .
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