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Date : 15/09/2014

Time : 2 pm – 4 pm

MATHEMATICS (Honours)

Paper : V

Full Marks : 50

[Use a separate answer book for each group]

Group – A

(Answer Question No. 1 and any four from the rest)

1. a) Show that the group $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$ can't be expressed as an internal direct product of two nontrivial subgroups. [3]
b) Can the cyclic group \mathbb{Z}_{12} be expressed as an internal direct product of two proper subgroups? Justify your answer. [3]
c) Show that $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ is not cyclic. [3]
2. Does there exist a nontrivial group homomorphism from $(\mathbb{R}, +)$ to $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$? Justify. [4]
3. Let G be a group of order 8 and $x \in G$. If $o(x) = 4$, prove that $x^2 \in Z(G)$. [4]
4. Prove that the only proper subgroup of (\mathbb{R}^*, \cdot) of finite index is $\mathbb{R}^+ = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x > 0\}$, here $\mathbb{R}^* = \mathbb{R} - \{0\}$. [4]
5. Give an example of an infinite group G such that for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\exists x \in G$ with $o(x) = n$. [4]
6. Let G be an abelian group of order 8. Prove that $\phi: G \rightarrow G$ defined by $\phi(x) = x^3 \forall x \in G$ is an isomorphism. [4]
7. Let G be a group and $a \in G$. Define $f: G \rightarrow G$ by $f(x) = axa^{-1} \forall x \in G$. Prove that f is an automorphism. [4]

Group – B

8. Answer any three questions : [3×5]
 - a) Define forward difference of a function f . If $\phi_r(x) = (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_r)$ where $x_r = x_0 + rh$, $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, calculate $\Delta^k \phi_r(x)$. Hence or otherwise, obtain Newtons forward interpolation formula without the error term. [2+3]
 - b) Establish Newton – Cotes' formula for numerical integration. (Error in not necessary). Deduce Simpson's one third rule from the above formula. State the geometrical interpretation of the one third rule. [3+2]
 - c) Define numerical differentiation. Establish the numerical differentiation formula based on Lagrange's interpolation. [1+4]
 - d) Show that the error in approximating $f(x)$ by an interpolating polynomial is $(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_n) \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!}$, where ξ lies between the smallest and the greatest of the numbers x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n [5]

- e) Using Euler's modified method, obtain the solution of the differential equation : $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + \sqrt{y}$,
 $y(0) = 1$ for the range $0 \leq x \leq 0.4$ in steps of length 0.2. [5]

9. Answer **any two** questions : [2×5]

- a) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable on $[a, b]$ & $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$, $x \in [a, b]$. Prove that—
 i) F is continuous on $[a, b]$
 ii) F is of bounded variation on $[a, b]$ [2½+2½]
- b) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be bounded on $[a, b]$. If f has a finite number of points of discontinuities in $[a, b]$ then show that f is integrable on $[a, b]$. [5]
- c) Let $f \in C[0, 1]$ and $\int_0^1 f(x)dx = 0 = \int_0^1 xf(x)dx$. Then prove that there exist two distinct point $a < b$ in $[0, 1]$ such that $f(a) = f(b) = 0$. [5]

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