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**M. Sc. (MATHEMATICS WITH
APPLICATIONS IN COMPUTER
SCIENCE) [M. Sc. (MACS)]**

Term-End Examination

June, 2021

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Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Note : *Question No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt any four of the remaining questions. Calculators are not allowed.*

1. State, with reasons, which of the following statements are true and which are false : 10
- (i) If D is an integral domain, and F and L are fields, s. t. $F \subseteq D \subseteq L$, then D is a field.
- (ii) Any subgroup of the multiplicative group of non-zero elements of \mathbf{F}_{13^4} must be cyclic.

(iii) The number of distinct abelian groups of order $p_1^{n_1} p_2^{n_2}$, where p_i are primes and $n_i \in \mathbf{N}$, is $n_1 n_2$.

(iv) S_6 has 6 elements of order 6.

(v) 37 is a square modulo 73.

2. (a) Let $G = S_4$, the symmetric group on 4 symbols. Let G act on G by conjugation, i. e., if $g, a \in G$, then $g * a = gag^{-1}$. What is the orbit of the cycle $(1\ 2)$ and what is the stabiliser of $(1\ 2)$? 4

(b) Check whether or not a finite monoid is a group. 2

(c) Write $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ as a product of an orthogonal matrix and an upper triangular matrix. Clearly show each step used in the process. 4

3. (a) Show that a group of order 108 cannot be simple. 7

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- (b) Let \mathbf{F}_{p^m} be a subfield of \mathbf{F}_{p^n} , where p is a prime. Show that m divides n . 3
4. (a) Let a be a generator of the cyclic group \mathbf{F}_p^* , where p is a prime. Show that $\left(\frac{a}{p}\right) = -1$, (p is odd). 5
- (b) If $G = (\{a, b\}, \{g_0\}, \{g_0 \rightarrow b, g_0 \rightarrow ab\}, g_0)$, find the language generated by G . 2
- (c) Show that every semigroup is the homomorphic image of a free semigroup. 3
5. (a) Is $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt[3]{5})$ a Galois extension of \mathbf{Q} ? If so, what is the Galois group of $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt[3]{5})$ over \mathbf{Q} ? If not, what is the smallest extension of $\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt[3]{5})$ which is Galois over \mathbf{Q} ? What is the degree of this extension over \mathbf{Q} ? Justify your answers. 7

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- (b) Write the class equation of a group G of order n . Is there a group of order 10 with class equation $10 = 1 + 2 + 2 + 5$? If yes, exhibit the group and its conjugacy classes. If no, give a class equation of a group of order 12. 3
6. (a) Solve the following simultaneous system of congruences : 4
 $x \equiv 2 \pmod{5}, x \equiv 1 \pmod{7}, x \equiv 3 \pmod{11}.$
- (b) Give an example, with justification, of an abelian group of rank 8 and with torsion group being non-cyclic of order 8. 2
- (c) Find a free group F and $N\Delta F$, such that $D_{12} \cong \frac{F}{N}$. 4

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