



AAC-2112 Seat No. \_\_\_\_\_

M. Sc. (Sem. IV) Examination

April - 2019

Mathematics : MTHP - 8

(Algebra - II)

Time : 3 Hours]

[Total Marks : 90

1 Attempt any two : 18

- (a) If  $L$  is a finite extension of  $K$  and if  $K$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , prove that  $L$  is a finite extension of  $F$ .
- (b) Let  $F \subset K \subset E$  be three fields such that  $K$  is an algebraic extension of  $F$  and  $\alpha \in E$  is algebraic over  $K$ . Show that  $\alpha$  is algebraic over  $F$ .
- (c) If  $F$  is a field of characteristic 0 and if  $a, b$ , are algebraic over  $F$ , prove that there exists an element  $c \in F(a, b)$  such that  $F(a, b) = F(c)$ .
- (d) Let  $Q$  be the field of rational numbers. Prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  and  $\sqrt{3}$  are algebraic over  $Q$ . Find the degree of :
- (1)  $Q(\sqrt{2})$  over  $Q$ .
  - (2)  $Q(\sqrt{3})$  over  $Q$ .
  - (3)  $Q(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$  over  $Q$ .

2 Attempt any **three** :

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- (a) State and prove remainder theorem.
- (b) Prove that a polynomial of degree  $n$  over a field can have at most  $n$  roots in any extension field.
- (c) Define the splitting field of a given polynomial  $f(x) \in F[x]$ . Construct the splitting field of  $x^4 + 1 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  and also find the degree of this splitting field over the field of rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- (d) Prove that if the polynomial  $f(x) \in F[x]$  has a multiple root, then  $f(x)$  and  $f'(x)$  have a nontrivial (that is, of positive degree) common factor.
- (e) Prove that it is impossible to trisect  $60^\circ$  using straightedge and compass alone.
- (f) Prove that if  $a$  and  $b$  are constructible numbers, then  $a \pm b$  are also constructible.

3 Attempt any **two** :

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- (a) Prove that if  $K$  is a field and if  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n$  are distinct automorphisms of  $K$ , then it is impossible to find elements  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  not all 0, in  $K$  such that

$$a_1\sigma_1(u) + a_2\sigma_2(u) + \dots + a_n\sigma_n(u) = 0 \text{ for all } u \in K.$$

- (b) If  $K$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , prove that  $o(G(K, F)) \leq [K : F]$ , where  $o(G(K, F))$  denotes the order of  $G(K, F)$ .

Compute  $G(K, F)$ , where  $K$  is the field of complex numbers and  $F$  is the field of real numbers.

- (c) Prove that if  $K$  is a normal extension of  $F$ , then  $K$  is the splitting field of some polynomial over  $F$ . Is  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2})$  normal over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ? Justify your answer.
- (d) Express the following as polynomials in the elementary symmetric functions in  $x_1, x_2, x_3$ :
- (1)  $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2$
- (2)  $x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3$

4 Attempt any **two** :

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- (a) Prove that if  $G$  is solvable group if and only if  $G^{(k)} = (e)$  for some integer  $k$ . Is the symmetric group  $S_4$  solvable? Justify your answer.
- (b) Prove that if  $p(x) \in F[x]$  is solvable by radicals over  $F$ , then the Galois group over  $F$  of  $p(x)$  is a solvable group.
- (c) Show that the polynomial  $x^3 - 3x - 3$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$  is irreducible and have exactly two non real roots. Find its Galois group over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- (d) Show that for every prime number  $p$  and for every positive integer  $m$  there exists a field having  $p^m$  elements.

- (a) Find the degree of  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}$  over the field of rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- (b) Is  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{5}$  algebraic over the field of rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$  ? Why.
- (c) Is  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt[3]{2})$  the splitting field of the polynomial  $x^3 - 2 \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$  over the field of rationals  $\mathbb{Q}$  ? Why ?
- (d) Is it possible to trisect  $72^\circ$  using straightedge and compass ? Why?
- (e) Show that  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$ .
- (f) Show that any extension  $E$  of a field  $F$ , such that  $[E, F] = 2$ , is a normal extension.
- (g) Prove that a subgroup of a solvable group is solvable.
- (h) State the fundamental theorem of Galois theory. (Do not prove)
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