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Answer **ALL** the questions

1. a) Prove that a group of order 72 is not simple.

OR (5)

b. Let G be a finite group. Then prove that $C_a = O(G)/O(N(a))$ i.e., the number of elements conjugate to 'a' in G is the index of the normalizer of 'a' in G . Also prove that $a \in Z$ iff $N(a) = G$.

c) If p is a prime number such that p^α divides order of G then prove that G has a subgroup of order p^α . (15)

OR

d) If p is a prime number and p divides $O(G)$ then G has an element of order p . (8)

e) Prove that any group of order $11^2 \cdot 13^2$ is abelian. (7)

2. a) State and prove Division Algorithm.

OR (5)

b) If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are primitive polynomials then prove that $f(x)g(x)$ is also a primitive polynomial.

c) $O(G) = p^n$ where p is the prime number then $Z(G) \neq 1$ i.e., $O(G) > 1$. In other words a group of prime orders must always have a nontrivial centre. Also prove that if $O(G) = p^2$ where p is a prime number then G is abelian. (8)

d) If $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are two nonzero polynomials, then prove that $\deg(f(x)g(x)) = \deg(f(x)) + \deg(g(x))$. (7)

OR

e) State and prove Gauss Lemma.

(8)

f) Let $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + \dots + a_nx^n$ be a polynomial with integer coefficients. Suppose for some prime number p , $p \nmid a_n$, $p \mid a_1, p \mid a_2, \dots, p \mid a_0$, $p^2 \nmid a_0$ then prove that $f(x)$ is irreducible over \mathbb{Q} . (7)

3. a) The elements in K which are algebraic over F form a subfield of K .

OR (5)

b) Let \mathbb{Q} be the rationals. Then show that $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$.

c) The element $a \in K$ is said to be algebraic over F iff $F(a)$ is a finite extension over F . (15)

OR

d) If L is the finite extension of K and K is the finite extension of F then prove that L is the finite extension of F . (10)

e) If L is the finite extension of F and K is the subfield of L which contains F then prove that $[K:F]$ divides $[L:F]$. (5)

4. a) If F is of characteristic 0 and a, b are algebraic over F , then show that there exists an element $c \in F(a, b)$ such that $F(a, b) = F(c)$.

OR (5)

b) Find the degree of the splitting field $x^3 - 2$ over Q and $x^4 + x^2 + 1$ over Q .

c) State and prove fundamental theorem of Galois Theory.

OR (15)

d) Let K be a normal extension of F and let H be a subgroup of $G(K, F)$, $K_H = \{x \in K \mid \sigma(x) = x \forall \sigma \in H\}$

is a fixed field of H then prove that (i) $[K:K_H] = |H|$, (ii) $H = G(K, K_H)$. In particular, $H = G(K, F)$,

$$[K:F] = |G(K, F)|.$$

5. a) Let G be a finite abelian group. Show that the relation $x^n = (e)$ is satisfied by at most n elements of G for every positive integer n then prove that G is a cyclic group.

OR (5)

b) Prove that the polynomial $f(x) \in F[x]$ has multiple root iff $f(x) + f'(x)$ have a nontrivial common factor.

c) Prove that any finite division ring is necessarily a commutative field.

OR (15)

d) Prove that S_n is not solvable for $n \geq 5$ and verify S_3 is solvable.

