

**INDIAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE**  
**Back-paper Exam**  
**Algebra-I**  
**2018-2019**

Total marks: 100

Time: 3 hours

Answer all questions.

1. (a) Find the number of elements of order 10 in  $G = \mathbb{Z}_{100} \times \mathbb{Z}_{25}$ .  
(b) Hence find the number of cyclic subgroups of order 10 in  $G$ . (10+5)
2. (a) Let  $G$  be a group and  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $G$  act on the set  $X_H$  of all left cosets of  $H$  in  $G$ . Determine the kernel of this action.  
(b) Prove that if  $H$  is of finite index  $n$  in  $G$  then there is a normal subgroup  $K$  of  $G$  with  $K \subseteq H$  and  $[G : K] \leq n!$ . (5+10)
3. Prove that if  $p$  is prime dividing the order of a group  $G$ , then there exists an element of order  $p$  in  $G$ . (10+10)
4. Prove that the automorphism group of the cyclic group of order  $n$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^\times$ . (15)
5. (a) Define  $\text{Inn}(G)$ , the group of inner automorphisms of a group  $G$ . Show that
$$G/Z(G) \cong \text{Inn}(G).$$
  
(b) Compute  $\text{Inn}(Q_8)$ . (10+10)
6. Show that a group of order  $p^2q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct primes, has a normal Sylow subgroup for either  $p$  or  $q$ . (15)

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