

**B. Math. I**  
**Mid - term Examination**  
**Algebra - I**

- All questions are compulsory.
- All questions carry equal marks.

(1) Let  $G$  be a finite group such that for every prime  $p$  and natural number  $r$ , if  $p^r$  divides its order then there exists an element of order  $p^r$  in  $G$ . Prove that  $G$  is abelian if and only if  $G$  is cyclic.

(2) State and prove Lagrange's Theorem.

(3) (a) Determine all elements of order 8 in  $\mathbb{Z}/8888888\mathbb{Z}$

(b) State and prove generalization of (a).

(4) Let  $G$  be a finite cyclic group of order  $n$ . Find  $\text{Aut}(G)$ .

(5) (a) Let  $\Phi$  from  $G$  to  $G'$  be a group homomorphism with kernel  $K$ . Let  $H$  be another subgroup of  $G$  containing  $K$ . Show that  $(\Phi)^{-1}\Phi(H) = H$ .

(b) Let  $\Phi$  from  $G$  to  $G'$  be a surjective group homomorphism with kernel  $K$ . Show that the set of subgroups  $H'$  of  $G'$  is in bijective correspondence with the set of subgroups  $H$  of  $G$  which contains  $K$ , the correspondence being defined by the map  $H$  goes to  $\Phi(H)$  and  $(\Phi)^{-1}(H')$  goes to  $H'$ . Moreover normal subgroups of  $G$  correspond to normal subgroups of  $G'$ .

(6) Compute the group  $(\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}) / \langle (1, 1) \rangle$  by visualizing  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  as the points in the plane with both co-ordinates integers.

(7) Let  $G$  be a group of matrices of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $H = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in GL_2(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$ . An element of  $G$  can be represented by a point in the  $(x, y)$  plane. Draw the partition of the plane into right cosets and left cosets of  $H$ .

Is  $H$  a normal subgroup of  $G$ ?