

**B.TECH/IT/4<sup>TH</sup> SEM/MATH 2203 (BACKLOG)/2021**  
**GRAPH THEORY AND ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURES**  
**(MATH 2203)**

**Time Allotted : 3 hrs**

**Full Marks : 70**

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A**  
**(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) A group contains 12 elements then the possible number of elements in a subgroup is  
(a) 3 (b) 5 (c) 7 (d) 11.
- (ii) Which of the following set is closed under numerical multiplication  
(a) {1,-1,0,2} (b) {1,i} (c) {1,  $\omega$ ,  $\omega^2$ } (d) { $\omega$ ,1}.
- (iii) The number of elements in the symmetric group  $S_5$  is  
(a) 5 (b) 20 (c) 120 (d)  $5^5$
- (iv) Let G be a cyclic group containing 10 elements with generator x. Then  $x^{10}$  is  
(a) x (b)  $x^{-1}$  (c) identity (d)  $x^9$ .
- (v) Which of the following group is not cyclic?  
(a)  $(\mathbb{Z}, +)$  (b)  $(\{2n: n \in \mathbb{Z}\}, +)$  (c)  $(\mathbb{Q}, +)$  (d)  $(\mathbb{Z}_n, +)$   
( $\mathbb{Z}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}$  denote the set of integers and rationals respectively.)
- (vi) Travelling Salesman problem is associated with  
(a) Euler's Circuit (b) Hamiltonian Circuit  
(c) Regular Graph (d) Isomorphic Graph.
- (vii) A square is a planar graph and has regions  
(a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3.
- (viii) The chromatic number of  $K_3$  is  
(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 4 (d) 5.
- (ix) The number of binary operations required for a set to be a ring is  
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 0.
- (x) If the set of residue class modulo n is an integral domain then n is  
(a) an odd integer (b) an even integer  
(c) 1 (d) a prime integer.

**Group – B**

2. (a) Let  $G$  be non-empty graph. Prove that if  $G$  is bipartite,  $\chi(G) = 2$ .  
(b) Prove that for a complete graph  $K_n$  with  $n$  vertices,  $\chi(K_n) = n, \forall n \geq 1$ .  
(c) Define dual of a graph. Draw the dual graph of  $K_4$ .  
**3 + 3 + (2 + 4) = 12**
3. (a) State and prove Euler's formula.  
(b) What is the maximum number of edges in a planar graph with 10 vertices?  
(c) If a graph has 250 faces and 300 edges, can it be planar?  
**6 + 3 + 3 = 12**

**Group – C**

4. (a) Give an example of binary operation with suitable explanation for each of the following cases:  
(i) non-associative  
(ii) non-commutative.  
(b) Write down the multiplicative Cayley Table for  $U(8)$ .  
(c) Let  $G$  be group. If  $a, b \in G$ , then prove that  $(ab)^{-1} = b^{-1}a^{-1}$ .  
(d) Give two examples of finite groups of order at least 4.  
**(2 + 2) + 3 + 3 + (1 + 1) = 12**
5. (a) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  be two permutations. Show that  $AB \neq BA$ .  
(b) Find the order of the permutation  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .  
(c) Show that the set  $G$  of all ordered pairs  $(a, b)$  with  $a \neq 0$ , of real numbers  $a, b$  forms a group with operation ' $\circ$ ' defined by,  $(a, b) \circ (c, d) = (ac, bc + d)$   
**4 + 2 + 6 = 12**

**Group – D**

6. (a) Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic.  
(b) Let  $G$  be a group. If  $a, b \in G$  such that  $a^4 = e$ , the identity element of  $G$  and  $ab = ba^2$ , prove that  $a = e$ .  
**6 + 6 = 12**
7. (a) Let  $G = \langle a \rangle$  be a cyclic group of order  $n$ . Then for any integer  $r, 1 \leq r < n$ ,  $a^r$  is a generator of  $G$  iff  $\gcd(r, n) = 1$ .

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- (b) Prove that any two right or left cosets of a subgroup are either disjoint or identical.

**6 + 6 = 12****Group - E**

8. (a) An element  $a$  of a ring  $R$  is idempotent if  $a^2=a$ .  
 (i) Show that the set of all idempotent elements of a commutative ring is closed under multiplication.  
 (ii) Find all idempotent elements in the ring  $Z_6 \times Z_2$ .
- (b) Let  $R$  be a ring and let  $a$  be a fixed element of  $R$ . Let  $I_a = \{x \in R : ax = 0\}$ . Show that  $I_a$  is a subring of  $R$ .

**(3 + 4) + 5 = 12**

9. (a) Define characteristic of a ring  $R$ . Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with unity of characteristic 4. Compute and simplify  $(a+b)^4$  for  $a, b$  in  $R$ .
- (b) Define divisors of zero in a ring  $R$ .
- (c) Solve the equation  $x^2+2x+4=0$  in  $Z_6$ .

**(2 + 5) + 2 + 3 = 12****Note:**

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