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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**

(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH 1C 01—ALGEBRA—I

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Section A (Short Answer Type Questions)***Answer all questions.**Each question carries a weightage 1.*

1. Find the order of  $(2, 3)$  in the group  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{15}$ .
2. Give two non-isomorphic groups of order 18.
3. Let  $X$  be a  $G$ -set,  $Y \subseteq X$  and  $G_Y = \{g \in G \mid gy = y, \forall y \in Y\}$ . Prove that  $G_Y$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
4. Use the First Isomorphism Theorem to prove that  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z} / \langle \{0\} \times \mathbb{Z} \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}$ .
5. Define composition series. Give example.
6. Find the number of Sylow 5-Subgroups of a group of order 20.
7. Give a presentation of  $S_3$  involving two generators.
8. Find the product of  $1 + 2i + 3j$  and  $1 - 2i - 2k$  in the ring of quaternions.

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

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**Section B (Paragraph Type Questions)**

*Answer any two questions from each module.*

*Each question carries a weightage 2.*

**MODULE I**

9. Prove that a factor group of a cyclic group is cyclic.
10. Let  $M$  be a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ . Prove that if  $G/M$  is simple, then  $M$  is a maximal normal subgroup of  $G$ .
11. If  $m$  is a square free, integer, then prove that every abelian group of order  $m$  is cyclic.

**MODULE II**

12. If  $G$  has a composition series and  $N$  is a proper normal subgroup of  $G$ , then prove that there exists a composition series containing  $N$ .
13. Prove that no group of order 30 is simple.
14. If  $G$  is a group of order  $p^n$  and  $X$  is a finite  $G$ -set. Then show that  $|X| \equiv |X_G| \pmod{p}$ .

**MODULE III**

15. Show that  $(x, y : y^2 x = y, yx^2 y = x)$  is a presentation of the trivial group of one element.
16. Prove that the polynomial  $x^2 - 2$  has no zeroes in the set of rational numbers.
17. Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}/10\mathbb{Z} \cong \mathbb{Z}_{10}$ .

(6 × 2 = 12 weightage)

**Section C (Essay Type Questions)**

*Answer any two questions.*

*Each question carries a weightage 5.*

18. a) State the Fundamental Theorem of Finitely Generated Abelian Groups.  
b) Let  $X$  be a  $G$ -set and  $x \in X$ . Prove that  $|Gx| = (G, G_x)$ , where  $Gx$  is the orbit and  $G_x$  is the isotropy subgroup of  $x$ .
19. State and prove the Third Sylow Theorem. Verify the Third Sylow Theorem for  $S_3$ .

20. Let  $H$  be a subgroup of a group  $G$  and  $N$  be a normal subgroup of  $G$ . Prove that  $\frac{HN}{N} \cong \frac{H}{H \cap N}$ .
21. a) State Division algorithm for  $F[x]$ , where  $F$  is a field.
- b) Show that the polynomial  $x^4 - 2x^2 + 8x + 1$  is irreducible over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)