



**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL**  
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**CC11-MATHEMATICS**

**GROUP THEORY-II**

**(REVISED SYLLABUS 2023 / OLD SYLLABUS 2018)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

**GROUP-A**

1. Answer any *four* questions: 3×4 = 12
  - (a) Find all Sylow 2-subgroups of  $S_3$ . 3
  - (b) For a group  $G$  if  $f: G \rightarrow G$ , defined by  $f(x) = x^2, \forall x \in G$ , is an automorphism, does it imply that  $G$  is commutative. 3
  - (c) Let  $G$  be a group and  $S$  be a  $G$ -set. Show that  $\forall a \in S$ , the subset  $G_a = \{g \in G; ga = a\}$  is a subgroup of  $G$ . 3
  - (d) Find the number of elements of order 7 in  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_7$ . 3
  - (e) Let  $G$  be a finite group that has only two conjugate classes. Show that order of the group  $G$  is 2. 3
  - (f) Show that  $\text{Inn}(G)$  is subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(G)$ , where  $G$  is a group. 3

**GROUP-B**

Answer any *four* questions

6×4 = 24

2. Let  $G$  be a simple group of order 168. Find the number of subgroups of order 7. 6
3. Let  $G$  be a finite group and  $S$  be a  $G$ -set. Prove that  $|S| = \sum_{a \in A} [G : G_a]$ , where  $A$  is a subset of  $S$  containing exactly one element from each orbit  $[a]$ . 6
4. State and prove Sylow's Third Theorem. 6
5. (a) Prove that if  $G$  is a finite group, then  $G$  is a  $p$ -group iff  $O(G) = p^n$  for some non-negative integer  $n$ . 4+2
- (b) Write down the class equation of  $S_3$ .

6. Show that for any prime  $p$ , there exists only two non-isomorphic groups of order  $p^2$ . 6
7. Find  $\text{Aut}(K_4)$  and  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ . 6

### GROUP-C

Answer any two questions

12×2 = 24

8. (a) Show that any group of order  $pq$  where  $p, q$  are primes,  $p > q$  and  $q$  does not divide  $p-1$ , is cyclic. 6+6
- (b) Show that a group of prime order must always have a non-trivial centre.
9. (a) Let  $S = \{x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_n; n \geq 1, \text{ each } x_i \text{ is a commutator in } G\}$  be the collection of all finite products of commutators of a group  $G$ . Show that  $S$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$ . 6+6
- (b) Show that  $|\text{Aut}(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2)| = 6$ .
- 10.(a) Prove that no group of order 30 is simple. 4+4+4
- (b) Let  $H$  be a normal subgroup of a group  $G$ . Define  $\sigma: G \times H \rightarrow H$  by  $\sigma(g, h) = ghg^{-1} \forall (g, h) \in G \times H$ . Prove that  $\sigma$  defines an action of  $G$  on  $H$ .
- (c) Prove that  $\mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n$  is cyclic iff  $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ . Is  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$  cyclic? Justify your answer.
- 11.(a) Find all the abelian groups of order 360. 4+6+2
- (b) Show that there exists only two groups of order 4 upto isomorphism.
- (c) State Index Theorem.

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