



**WEST BENGAL STATE UNIVERSITY**  
B.Sc. Honours 4th Semester Examination, 2020

**MTMACOR10T-MATHEMATICS (CC10)**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**Answer Question No. 1 and any five from the rest**

1. Answer any *five* questions from the following: 2×5 = 10
  - (a) Show that the characteristic of a ring  $R$  with unity 1 is  $n(>0)$  if and only if  $n.1=0$ .
  - (b) Let  $R$  be a ring with  $a^2 = a$  for all  $a \in R$ . Prove that  $a+b=0 \Rightarrow a=b$ .
  - (c) Let  $S$  be a nonempty subset of a ring  $R$ . Show that  $S$  is a subring of  $R$  if and only if  $\forall x, y \in S, x-y \in S$  and  $x.y \in S$ .
  - (d) If  $F$  is a field, then show that  $F$  has no non-trivial ideal.
  - (e) Show that the rings  $2\mathbb{Z}$  and  $3\mathbb{Z}$  are not isomorphic.
  - (f) If  $W_1, W_2$  are two subspaces of a vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$  such that  $W_1+W_2=V$  and  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$  then prove that for each vector  $\alpha \in V$  there are unique vectors  $\alpha_1 \in W_1$  and  $\alpha_2 \in W_2$  such that  $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ .
  - (g) Let  $V$  be a vector space over a subfield  $F$  of the complex numbers. Suppose  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are linearly independent vectors of  $V$ . Prove that  $(\alpha + \beta), (\beta + \gamma)$  and  $(\gamma + \alpha)$  are linearly independent.
  - (h) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two vector spaces over the same field  $F$  and let  $T:V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. If  $V$  is finite dimensional, define the rank and nullity of  $T$ .
2. (a) Prove that a commutative ring  $R$  satisfies cancellation property for multiplication if and only if  $R$  has no zero divisors. 4
- (b) Prove that the characteristic of an integral domain is either zero or a prime integer. 4
3. (a) Show that the set of integers modulo 6 form a ring with respect to the addition and multiplication modulo 6. 3+1  
Is it an integral domain? — Justify your answer.
- (b) Prove that every finite integral domain is a field. Give an example to show that the result is false if the 'finiteness' condition is dropped. 3+1

4. (a) Let  $R$  be a commutative ring with identity 1. Show that an ideal  $M$  in  $R$  is maximal if and only if the quotient ring  $R/M$  is a field. 4
- (b) Let  $I$  be an ideal of a commutative ring  $R$ . Define a subset  $S$  of  $R$  by  $S = \{r \in R : ra = 0 \text{ for all } a \in I\}$ . Prove that  $S$  is an ideal of  $R$ . 4
5. (a) Let  $f$  be a homomorphism of a ring  $R$  into a ring  $R'$ . Show that  $f(R)$  is an ideal of  $R'$  and  $R/\ker f \simeq f(R)$ . 1+3
- (b) Show that  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ , the ring of integers modulo  $n$  and the quotient ring  $\mathbb{Z}/\langle n \rangle$  are isomorphic, where  $\langle n \rangle = \{m \in \mathbb{Z} : m = qn \text{ for some } q \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . 4
6. (a) Show that the mapping  $f : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{10}$  defined by  $f([a]) = 5[a]$  for all  $[a] \in \mathbb{Z}_6$  is a ring homomorphism from the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_6$  into the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_{10}$ . 4
- (b) Define Kernel of a ring homomorphism  $f : R \rightarrow S$  from a ring  $R$  into a ring  $S$ . Prove that  $\ker f$  is an ideal of  $R$ . 4
7. (a) Prove that every set of linearly independent vectors of a finite dimensional vector space is either a basis or can be extended to a basis of the vector space. 3
- (b) Let  $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x - 4y + 3z = 0\}$ . Show that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Also find a basis of  $W$ . 2+3
8. (a) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be two vector spaces over a field  $F$ . Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition for a linear mapping  $T : V \rightarrow W$  to be invertible is that  $T$  is one-to-one and onto. 4
- (b) A linear mapping  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is defined by 4
- $$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (2x_1 + x_2 - x_3, x_2 + 4x_3, x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3), (x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$
- Find the matrix representation of  $T$  relative to the ordered basis  $(0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 0)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
9. (a) If  $V$  and  $W$  be two finite dimensional vector spaces and  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation, then show that  $\dim V = \text{nullity of } T + \text{rank of } T$ . 4
- (b) Find the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , if 2+2
- $$T(1, 0, 0) = (2, 3, 4), T(0, 1, 0) = (1, 5, 6) \text{ and } T(1, 1, 1) = (7, 8, 4).$$
- Also find its matrix representation with respect to  $\{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1)\}$ .

**N.B. :** Students have to complete submission of their Answer Scripts through E-mail / Whatsapp to their own respective colleges on the same day / date of examination within 1 hour after end of exam. University / College authorities will not be held responsible for wrong submission (at in proper address). Students are strongly advised not to submit multiple copies of the same answer script.

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