

Test- Abstract Algebra- Groups (Evening Batch)

Don't
write
anything
in this
margin

Batch: Evening batch

Date: 10-Feb-2024

Don't
write
anything
in this
margin

Mains Answer Writing Guidance Programme	
Name	Kavya.J.
Medium	English
Date	11-02-2024
Subject and Test Number	Mathematics

Instructions:

1. Please scan your answers and form single pdf and share within 48 hours.
2. Writing in the margins leads to rejection of copy.
3. Kindly take due appointment with coordination team to discuss the answer copy with respective mentor.
4. Copies will be evaluated within 7 days of submission.

Evaluated

Reviewed

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Criteria/Parameters	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor
Language and Articulation					
Content and Conceptual Clarity					
Number of Questions Attempted					
Structure and Presentation					
Coherence and Structuration					

Examiner's Feedback

No.

All the questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

1

If in the group G , $a^5 = e$, $aba^{-1} = b^2$ for some $a, b \in G$, find the order of b .

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Given:- G is a group
 $a^5 = e \Rightarrow o(a) \leq 5$
 $aba^{-1} = b^2$
 for some $a, b \in G$

To find:- order of b

Since $a \in G$
 $\Rightarrow a^{-1} \in G$

Consider $a^5 = e$
 post-multiply by a^{-1}
 $a^5 \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1}$
 $a^4 = a^{-1}$
 post-multiply by (a^{-1})

$a^4 \cdot a^{-1} = a^{-1} \cdot a^{-1}$
 $a^3 = (a^{-1})^2$

Now consider,

$aba^{-1} = b^2$ $aba^{-1} = b^2$
 $a^2ba^{-1} = ab^2$ $ab = b^2a$
 $a^3ba^{-1} = a^2b^2$ $ab = b \cdot ba$
 $(a^{-1})^2 b$

$aba^{-1} = b^2$
 $\times a^{-1}$ $a^{-1} \cdot a \cdot ba^{-1} = a^{-1} b$
 $ba^{-1} = a^{-1} b$
 $ba^4 = a^4 b$

$b^m = e$
 $\times a$ $ab^m = a$
 $\times a^{-1}$ $a b^m a^{-1} = a \cdot a^{-1}$
 $ab^m a^{-1} = e$
 $a b^4 a^{-1} = b^2$

$aba^{-1} = b^2$
 $(aba^{-1})^2 = (aba^{-1})(aba^{-1})$
 $= abba^{-1}$
 $= ab^2 a^{-1}$
 $ab^2 a^{-1} = b^4$ $aba^{-1} = e$

$b^{2m} = e$
 $o(b) = 2m$
 $= 2 \times 2$
 $= 4$

$a^5 = e$ $aba^{-1} = b^2$
 $ba^4 = a^4 b$

Procedure
 Ist find b^4
 then b^8
 b^{16}
 b^{32}
 then $b = e$
 $\Rightarrow b^{31} = e$
 $o(b) = 31$

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Given:- 'G' is a group and

$$a^5 = e, \quad \boxed{aba^{-1} = b^2} \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Let 'm' be the order of 'b'.

$$\Rightarrow O(b) = m$$

$$\Rightarrow b^m = e$$

pre-multiply by 'a' and post-multiply by 'a^{-1}',

$$ab^m a^{-1} = a \cdot e \cdot a^{-1}$$

$$ab^m a^{-1} = e$$

$$\boxed{ab^m a^{-1} = b^{2m}} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Comparing equation $\textcircled{1}$ and $\textcircled{2}$,

$$b^m = b^1$$

$$\boxed{m = 1}$$

$\therefore \boxed{1}$ is the order of 'b'.

this can not be compared

$$\Rightarrow b^1 = e$$

$$\Rightarrow b^2 = e$$

as here 1-1 is not given.

two different element also can give you same result as well.

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	

Q. No.

2

Let $G = \mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$ be the set of all real numbers omitting -1 . Define the binary relation $*$ on G by $a*b = a+b+ab$. Show $(G, *)$ is a group and it is abelian.

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Given:-

$$G = \mathbb{R} - \{-1\}$$

'*' defined by $a*b = a+b+ab$

To show $(G, *)$ is a group:-

A group has to satisfy 4 properties.

1) Closure :- Let $a, b \in G$, then

$$a*b = a+b+ab \in G$$

$\therefore G$ is closed under '*'.

2) Associativity :- Let $a, b, c \in G$,

$$\text{Consider } a*(b*c) = a*(b+c+bc)$$

$$= a+b+c+bc+a$$

$$+ (b+c+bc)$$

$$= a+b+c+bc+ab+ac+abc$$

$$\text{Again consider } (a*b)*c = (a+b+ab)*c$$

$$= a+b+ab+c+(a+b+ab)c$$

$$= a+b+ab+c+ac+bc+abc$$

$$= a*(b*c)$$

$$\Rightarrow (a*b)*c = a*(b*c)$$

$\therefore G$ is associative under '*'.

3/10

3) Existence of Identity:-

Let $e \in G$ such that $a * e = a = e * a$

$a * e = a$

$a + e + ae = a$

$e + ae = 0$

$e(1+a) = 0$

$e = \frac{1}{1+a} \in G$, for $a \neq -1$

\therefore Identity of a Group exists in 'G'.

Either $e=0$ or $1+a=0 \Rightarrow a=-1$
 \rightarrow Identity is not possible as $-1 \notin \mathbb{R}$.

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

4) Existence of Inverse:-

Let $a, b \in G$ such that $a * b = e = b * a$

$a * b = e$

$a * b = \frac{1}{1+a}$

$a + b + ab = \frac{1}{1+a}$

$b(1+a) = \frac{1}{1+a} - a$

$b = \frac{1}{1+a} \left[\frac{1}{1+a} - a \right] = \frac{1 - a - a^2}{(1+a)^2}$

$b = \frac{1 - a - a^2}{(1+a)^2} \in G$ for $a \neq -1$, where $b = a^{-1}$

\therefore Inverse of a Group exists in 'G'.

Since $(G, *)$ satisfies all 4 properties, it is a Group.

To show Abelian:- Let $a, b \in G$ such that

$a * b = b * a$

$a * b = a + b + ab = b + a + ab = b + a + ba = b * a$

$\therefore a * b = b * a \rightarrow$ commutativity

$\therefore (G, *)$ is ABELIAN

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	

No.

3

Let p be a prime number and Z_p denote the additive group of integers modulo p . Show that every non-zero element of Z_p generates Z_p .

Don't write anything in this margin

Given:-

$p \rightarrow$ prime number

$$Z_p = \{ a + b_p : a, b \in Z, p \text{ is prime} \}$$

To show:- Every non-zero element of Z_p generates Z_p .

$$Z_p = \{ 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, p-1 \}$$

Don't write anything in this margin

Let $a \in Z_p$ such that $a \neq 0$

then show that $o(a) = p$.

This way use the result $\rightarrow o(\text{Generator}) = o(\text{Group})$

~~Let $x = a + b_p$~~

~~consider $(Z_5, +_5) = \{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \}$ non-zero elements $5 \rightarrow$ prime number~~

~~$1^1 = 1$
 $1^2 = 1 +_5 1 = 2$
 $1^3 = 1 +_5 2 = 2 +_5 1 = 3$
 $1^4 = 1 +_5 3 = 3 +_5 1 = 4$~~

~~$\therefore 1$ generates $\{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \} = (Z_5, +_5)$~~

$2^1 = 2$
 $2^2 = 2 +_5 2 = 4$
 $2^3 = 2 +_5 4 = 4 +_5 2 = 1$
 $2^4 = 2 +_5 1 = 1 +_5 2 = 3$

$\therefore 2$ generates $\{ 1, 2, 3, 4 \} = (Z_5, +_5)$

This is just an example. To prove a result we need to follow general laws.

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

$$3^1 = 3$$

$$3^2 = 3 + \underset{5}{3} = 1$$

$$3^3 = 3^2 + \underset{5}{3} = 1 + \underset{5}{3} = 4$$

$$3^4 = 3^3 + \underset{5}{3} = 4 + \underset{5}{3} = 2$$

$\therefore 3$ generates $\{1, 2, 3, 4\} = (\mathbb{Z}_5, +_5)$

$$4^1 = 4$$

$$4^2 = 4 + \underset{5}{4} = 3$$

$$4^3 = 4^2 + \underset{5}{4} = 3 + \underset{5}{4} = 2$$

$$4^4 = 4^3 + \underset{5}{4} = 2 + \underset{5}{4} = 1$$

$\therefore 4$ generates $\{1, 2, 3, 4\} = (\mathbb{Z}_5, +_5)$

The above example shows that every \downarrow element of a \mathbb{Z}_5 generates non-zero

\mathbb{Z}_5 .

Hence proved.

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	

No.

4

Prove that a group of Prime order is abelian.

Given:- $(G, *)$ is a group of prime order

To show:- $(G, *)$ is Abelian.

let 'p' be the prime number, and

let $a \in G$.

Group of prime order $\Rightarrow O(G) = p$.

For $p=2$:-

let $G = \{e, a\}$

To show 'G' is Abelian:-

since $e \in G \Rightarrow e^{-1} \in G$
 $a \in G \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in G$

$ae = e = ea$
 $\therefore ae = ea \Rightarrow 'G' \text{ is Abelian.}$

For $p=3$:-

let $G = \{e, a, b\}$

let $a^{-1} = b$ and $b^{-1} = a$, $e^{-1} = e$.

~~consider $ab = ba$~~

e	a	b
e	a	b
a	a	ab
b	b	ba

consider $ab = e \Rightarrow b = a^{-1} \checkmark$

but if $ab = a \Rightarrow b = e \times$

consider $ba = e \Rightarrow a = b^{-1} \checkmark$

\Downarrow

e	a	b
a	a	b
a	a	b
b	b	e

$\Rightarrow a^2 = b$ and $b^2 = a$

since $ab = ba$
 $\Rightarrow 'G' \text{ is Abelian.}$

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Here:-

Ist prove that every group of prime order is cyclic.

& then prove every cyclic group is abelian.

Both the above results are in notes

To prove a result examples are not sufficient. Examples are used to negate something.

For $p=5:-$

Let $G = \{e, a, b, c, d\}$

$e^{-1} = e$

Let $a^{-1} = b, b^{-1} = a, c^{-1} = d, d^{-1} = c$

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

	e	a	b	c	d
e	e	a	b	c	d
a	a	a ²	<u>ab</u>	<u>ac</u>	<u>ad</u>
b	b	<u>ba</u>	b ²	<u>bc</u>	<u>bd</u>
c	c	ca	cb	c ²	cd
d	d	da	db	dc	d ²

Let $ab = e$
 $\Rightarrow b = a^{-1} \checkmark$

Again let $ba = e$
 $\Rightarrow a = b^{-1} \checkmark$

$\therefore ab = ba$

Let $ac = e \Rightarrow c = a^{-1} x$
 $\boxed{ac = b} \Rightarrow$
 $ac = c \Rightarrow a = e x$
 $ac = a \Rightarrow c = e x$
 ~~$acc = d$~~

Let $ad = e \Rightarrow d = a^{-1} x$
 $ad = a \Rightarrow d = e x$
 $\boxed{ad = b} \Rightarrow$
 ~~$ada = c$~~
 $ad = d \Rightarrow a = e x$

Let $bc = e \Rightarrow c = b^{-1} x$
 $bc = b \Rightarrow c = e x$
 $\boxed{bc = d} \Rightarrow$
 $bc = c \Rightarrow b = e x$
 ~~$bc = a$~~

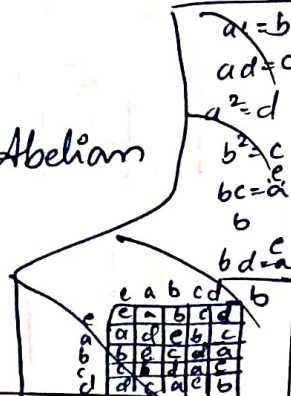
Let $bd = e \Rightarrow d = b^{-1} x$
 $\boxed{bd = a}$
 $bd = b \Rightarrow d = e x$
 $\underline{bd = c}$
 $bd = d \Rightarrow b = e x$

Let $cd = e \Rightarrow d = c^{-1} \checkmark$

Again let $dc = e \Rightarrow c = d^{-1}$

$\therefore cd = dc \Rightarrow G$ is Abelian

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	



Consider,

$$a^{32} = a^8 \cdot a^8 \cdot a^8 \cdot a^8$$

$$= e \cdot e \cdot e \cdot e$$

$$a^{32} = e$$

$$\Rightarrow G = \langle a^{32} \rangle$$

$$a^{8n} = \underbrace{a^8 \cdot a^8 \cdot a^8 \dots a^8}_{\text{'n' times}}$$

$$a^{8n} = e$$

$$\Rightarrow G = \langle a^{8n} \rangle$$

From the above evaluation, we get to know that there are \boxed{n} generators of a cyclic group of order 8.

\therefore Number of generators = n

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

What are the order of the following permutations in S_{10} ?

$(1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10)$ and $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5)(6\ 7)$.

Given:-

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ 1 & 8 & 7 & 3 & 10 & 5 & 4 & 2 & 6 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$(1)(2\ 8)(3\ 7\ 4)(5\ 10\ 9\ 6)$

The permutations of Even order are :-

(1) and $(3\ 7\ 4)$, $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5)$

The permutations of Odd order are:-

$(2\ 8)$ and $(5\ 10\ 9\ 6)$, $(6\ 7)$

Order of $(1) = 1$

Order of $(2\ 8) = 2$

Order of $(3\ 7\ 4) = 3$

Order of $(5\ 10\ 9\ 6) = 4$

Order of $(1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5) = 5$

Order of $(6, 7) = 2$

order of a cycle = no. of elements in the cycle.

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

Order of a permutation

Don't write anything in this margin

Don't write anything in this margin

→ L.C.M of order of disjoint cycles.

In above case.

Let element is

$$(12345)(67)$$

$$\hookrightarrow o(12345) = 5$$

$$\& o(67) = 2$$

$$o[(12345)(67)] = \text{LCM}(5, 2) = 10$$

Introduction	
Body	
Presentation/Structuration	
Conclusion	
Final Marks	