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DOON UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN
End Semester Examination, First Semester, 2017
School of Physical Sciences
M.Sc.(Mathematics)
Course: MAC-401: Finite Field

Time Allowed: 2 Hours

Maximum Marks: 50

Note:

1. Attempt any nine Questions from Sections A.
2. Attempt any four Questions from Sections B.
3. Attempt any two Questions from Sections C.

SECTION: A

(9 × 2 = 18 Marks)

1. The degree of $Q(\sqrt[3]{2}, \sqrt[4]{3})$ is....
2. $\frac{Z_3}{\langle x^3+2x+2 \rangle}$ is a field with ... element.
3. The splitting field of $x^3 - 1$ over Q is
4. Any finite subgroup of the multiplicative group of a finite field is
5. $[GF(p^n) : GF(p^m)] = \dots$ (provided m divides n).
6. If $p(x) \in F[x]$ and degree of $p(x)$ is n . Then the splitting field for $p(x)$ over F has degree at most
7. Can the cube be tripled? and why?
8. A finite extension of a finite field is a ... extension.
9. The degree of $Q(\sqrt[3]{\pi})$ over Q is
10. π and e in R are over Q .

SECTION: B

(4 × 5 = 20 Marks)

1. Find the degree of minimal splitting field of $x^4 + 2$ over Q .
2. If $a > 0$ is constructible. Then prove that \sqrt{a} is also constructible.
3. Let $x^p - a \in F[x]$ where $\text{Char}F = p$. Then show that either $x^p - a$ is irreducible over F or $x^p - a$ is a p^{th} power of a linear polynomial in F .
4. Discuss the irreducibility of $x^4 + 1$ over rationals.
5. If L is an algebraic extension of K and K is an algebraic extension of F . Then show that L is an algebraic extension of F .

SECTION: C

(2 × 6 = 12 Marks)

1. Determine the splitting field of $x^4 + x^2 + 1$ over Q . Also find its degree over Q .
2. If a real number α is constructible. Then prove that α lies in some extension field K of Q such that $[K : Q] = 2^r$ for some non-negative integer r .
3. If a is any algebraic number, then show that there exists a positive integer n such that na is an algebraic integer.