

## MAT 222-ALGEBRAIC STRUCTURES

Answer Question one and any other two questions

### QUESTION ONE(COMPULSORY)-30Marks

- 1(a). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets. Define the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$  and the set difference of  $B$  from  $A$ . (2marks)
  
- b.) Let  $f$  be a mapping from a set  $X$  to a set  $Y$ . When is  $f$  said to be *injective and surjective* (3marks)
  
- c.) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define addition and multiplication of  $m$  and  $n$  and show their commutative, associative and distributive properties. (5marks)
  
- d.) Show that every non empty subset  $X$  of  $\mathbb{N}$  has a least element. (3marks)
  
- e.) Distinguish between group and a belian group (2marks)
  
- f.) Let  $*$  be a binary operation on a set  $S$ . Define identity elements for  $S$  (2marks)
  
- g.) Let  $G$  be a non-empty set and  $*$  a binary operation. When do we call  $(G, *)$  a group and commutative? (3marks)
  
- h.) Define *cyclic groups* giving relevant examples (4marks)
  
- i.) Let  $F$  be a non empty set and let  $+, *$  be binary operations on  $F$ . Define the field  $(F, +, *)$  (4marks)
  
- j.) Let  $*$  binary operation on a set  $S$ . Let  $e, f \in S$  be identity element for  $S$  with respect to  $*$ . Show that  $e=f$ . (2marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 Marks)**

- 2.a) Show that every field is an integral domain and every finite integral domain is a field (10marks)
- b.) If  $R$  is an integral domain and  $a, b, c \in R$  with  $a$  not zero and  $ab=ac$  then  $b=c$  (2marks)
- c.) Define *integral domain* and *commutative ring with unity* giving detailed examples for each (8marks)

**QUESTION THREE-(20 Marks)**

- 3.a) What is a commutative rings (2arks)
- b.) Discuss two examples of non-commutative rings (8marks)
- b.) Discuss two examples of commutative rings (10marks)

**QUESTION FOUR-(20 Marks)**

- 4.a) What is a right coset . (2marks)
- b.) Show that cosets are either identical or disjoint (6marks)
- b.) Let  $S$  be a sub group of the group  $G$  and let  $a, b \in G$  show that  $sa=sb$  if and only if  $ab^{-1} \in S$  (6marks)
- b.) Show that if  $|G|=p$  a prime , then  $G$  is cyclic. (6marks)

**QUESTION FIVE-(20Marks)**

- 5.a) State Lagrange theorem (2marks)
- b.) Show that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic (8marks)
- c.) How many generators does a cyclic group of Order 400 have ? (4marks)
- d. For each positive integers  $x$  ,how many elements of order  $x$  does a cyclic group of order 400 have? (6marks)