

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018
I Year II Semester
Core Major-Paper IV
ALGEBRA - II

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

Section A ($10 \times 2 = 20$) Marks

Answer any **TEN** questions

1. Define extension field and give an extension of the field of real numbers.
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3. Define algebraic and transcendental numbers.
4. State the remainder theorem.
5. For any $f(x), g(x)$ in $F[x]$ and $\alpha \in F$, Show that $(\alpha f(x))^1 = \alpha f^1(x)$.
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7. Define $G(K, F)$.
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11. Define normal extension of a field.
12. Define invariant subspace of a vector space.

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

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14. Prove that a polynomial of degree n over a field can have at most n roots in any extension field.
15. Show that $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{5}$ is algebraic over Q of degree.
16. If V is n -dimensional over F and $T \in A(V)$ if has all its characteristics roots in F , Prove that T satisfies a polynomial of degree n over F .

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