

**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020**  
**I Year II Semester**  
**Algebra II**

**Time : 3 Hours**

**Max.marks :75**

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

Answer any **TEN** questions

1. When do you say that an element  $a \in K$  is algebraic of degree  $n$  over  $F$ .
2. Define algebraic and transcendental numbers.
3. Write the remainder theorem.
4. For any  $f(x), g(x)$  in  $F[x]$ , Show that  $(f(x) + g(x))' = f'(x) + g'(x)$
5. Define fixed field of a group.
6. Define normal extension of a field.
7. Define field automorphism and when do you say that two automorphisms of a field are distinct.
8. Define  $G(K, F)$ .
9. Define invariant subspace of a vector space.
10. Define index of nilpotence of a linear transformation.
11. Write down the Jordan form of a linear transformation.
12. Define companion matrix of a polynomial.

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

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. If  $L$  is an algebraic extension of  $K$  and if  $K$  is an algebraic extension of  $F$ , Prove that  $L$  is an algebraic extension of  $F$ . Also prove that  $[L : F] = [L : K][K : F]$
14. Show that  $\sqrt{2} + \sqrt[3]{5}$  is algebraic over  $\mathbb{Q}$  of degree 6.
15. Prove that a polynomial of degree  $n$  over a field can have at most  $n$  roots in any extension field.
16. Prove that the polynomial  $f(x) \in F[x]$  has a multiple root if and only if  $f(x)$  and  $f'(x)$  have a nontrivial common factor.
17. Prove that  $K$  is a normal extension of  $F$  if and only if  $K$  is the splitting field of some polynomial over  $F$ .
18. If  $V$  is  $n$ -dimensional over  $F$  and if  $T \in A(V)$  has all its characteristic roots in  $F$ , Prove that  $T$  satisfies a polynomial of degree  $n$  over  $F$ .

19. If  $T \in A(V)$  has all its distinct characteristic roots  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_n$  in  $F$ , Prove that a basis of  $V$  can be found in which the matrix  $T$  is of the form

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**Section C** ( $3 \times 10 = 30$ ) Marks

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20. Prove that the number  $e$  is transcendental.
21. If  $F$  is of characteristic 0 and if  $a, b$  are algebraic over  $F$ , Prove that there exists an element  $c \in F(a, b)$  such that  $F(a, b) = F(c)$ .
22. If  $K$  is a finite extension of  $F$ , Prove that  $G(K, F)$  is a finite group and its order  $o(G(K, F))$  satisfies  $o(G(K, F)) \leq [K : F]$
23. If  $T \in A(V)$  has all its characteristic roots in  $F$ , Prove that there is a basis of  $V$  in which the matrix of  $T$  is triangular.
24. Prove that the minimal polynomial of  $T_i$  is  $q_i(x)^{i_i}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k, V_i \neq (0)$  and  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_k$

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