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**MT 5123 – MATHEMATICS - V**

**(For current batch students only)**

**Time: 2 hrs**

**Max Marks: 60**

**This paper contains TWO printed pages and THREE parts.**

**Part A**

**Answer any SIX of the following.**

**6 X 2 = 12**

1. In a ring  $R$ , prove that (i)  $a \cdot 0 = 0, \forall a \in R$  (ii)  $a(-b) = -(ab), \forall a, b \in R$ .
2. Find all the idempotent elements of an integral domain  $R$ .
3. Define the characteristic of a ring. What is the characteristic of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_6$ .
4. Show that  $2\mathbb{Z} = \{2x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is an ideal of the ring of integers  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
5. Define the kernel of a ring homomorphism. Find the kernel of the ring homomorphism  $f: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_4$  defined by  $f(x) = x(\text{mod } 4)$ .
6. Show that the necessary condition for the integral  $\int_{x_1}^{x_2} (y^2 + (y')^2 + 2ye^x) dx$  to be extremum is  $y'' - y = e^x$ .
7. What are the geodesics on (i) a plane and (ii) a sphere?
8. If the length of the curve joining the points  $A(a, \theta_1, \varphi_1)$  and  $B(a, \theta_2, \varphi_2)$  on a sphere of

radius  $a$  is given by  $L = \int_{\theta_1}^{\theta_2} a \sqrt{1 + (\varphi')^2 \sin^2 \theta} d\theta$ , show that the necessary condition for

$L$  to be minimum is  $\frac{\varphi' \sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1 + (\varphi')^2 \sin^2 \theta}} = c$ , where  $c$  is a constant.

### Part B

Answer any FIVE of the following.

5 X 6 = 30

9. Define a ring. Find the zero element, the unity, and the units of the ring  $(\mathbb{Z}, \oplus, \otimes)$ , where  $a \oplus b = a + b + 1$ ,  $a \otimes b = a + b + ab$ ,  $\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
10. Prove that a nonempty subset  $S$  of a ring  $R$  is a subring of  $R$  if and only if  $\forall a, b \in S$ ,  $a - b \in S$  and  $ab \in S$ . Hence show that  $aR = \{ar \mid r \in R\}$ , for some  $a \in R$ , is a subring of  $R$ .
11. Define an integral domain. Prove that there is no integral domain of order 6. Give the reason why there are no fields with 6 elements.
12. Define a prime ideal. Prove that an ideal  $I$  of a commutative ring  $R$  with unity is a prime ideal if and only if  $R/I$  is an integral domain.
13. Prove that for any integer  $n > 1$ , the ideal  $n\mathbb{Z} = \{na \mid a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$  is a maximal ideal if and only if  $n$  is a prime.
14. Show that the mapping  $f : \mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{30}$ , defined by  $f(x) = 10x(\text{mod } 30)$ , is a ring homomorphism. Find  $\ker(f)$ .
15. If  $\varphi : R \rightarrow S$  is a ring homomorphism, prove that  $R/\ker(\varphi) \cong \varphi(R)$ . [The first isomorphism theorem].

### Part C

Answer any THREE of the following.

3 X 6 = 18

16. Show that the necessary condition for the integral  $I = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} F(x, y, y') dx$  to be an extremum is that  $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial y'} \right) = 0$ .
17. (i) Deduce the Euler's equation for a functional  $F(x, y, y')$  that does not contain independent variable  $x$  explicitly.  
(ii) Find the extremal of the integral  $\int_{x_1}^{x_2} [y + (y')^2] dx$ . **(4+2)**
18. Show that the geodesic on a right circular cylinder is a circular helix.
19. If a cable hangs freely under the action of gravity from two fixed points, show that it hangs in the form of a catenary.
20. Find the extremal of the functional  $\int_0^1 [x + (y')^2] dx$  subject to the constraint  $\int_0^1 y dx = 1$ , given  $y(0) = 0$  and  $y(1) = 1$ .
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