

**FOURTH SEMESTER M.Sc DEGREE (MATHEMATICS) EXAMINATION,  
JUNE 2012  
(CUCSS-PG-2010)  
MT4E02 : ALGEBRAIC NUMBER THEORY**

**MODEL QUESTION PAPER**

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Weightage: 36

**PART A**

**(Short Answer Type Questions)**

**Answer all the questions – Each question has weightage 1**

1. Let R be a ring. Define an R-module.
2. Find the minimum polynomial of  $i + \sqrt{2}$  over Q, the field of rationals.
3. Define the ring of integers of a number field K and give the one example.
4. Find an integral basis for  $Q(\sqrt{5})$
5. Define a cyclotomic field. Give one example
6. If  $K = Q(\zeta)$  where  $\zeta = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{5}}$ , find  $N_K(\zeta^2)$
7. What are the units in  $Q(\sqrt{-3})$ .
8. Prove that an associate of an irreducible is irreducible.
9. Define i) The ascending chain condition  
ii) The maximal condition
10. If x and y are associates, prove that  $N(x) = \pm N(y)$
11. Define : A Euclidean Domain . Give an example.
12. Sketch the lattice in  $R^2$  generated by (0,1) and (1,0)
13. Define the volume v(X) where  $X \subset R^n$
14. State Kummer's Theorem.

(14 X 1 =14)

**PART B**

**(Paragraph Type Questions)**

**Answer any seven questions-Each question has weightage 2**

15. Express the polynomials  $t_1^2 + t_2^2 + t_3^2$  and  $t_1^3 + t_2^3$  in terms of elementary symmetric polynomials.

16. Prove that the set  $\mathbf{A}$  of algebraic numbers is a subfield of the complex field  $\mathbf{C}$ .
17. Find an integral basis and discriminant for  $Q(\sqrt{d})$  if
- $(d-1)$  is not a multiple of 4
  - $(d-1)$  is a multiple of 4
18. Find the minimum polynomial of  $\xi = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{p}}$ ,  $p$  is an odd prime, over  $Q$  and find its degree.
19. Prove that factorization into irreducibles is not unique in  $Q(\sqrt{-26})$
20. Prove that every principal ideal domain is a unique factorization domain.
21. If  $\mathbf{D}$  is the ring of integers of a number field  $\mathbf{K}$ , and if  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are non-zero ideals of  $\mathbf{D}$ , then show that  $\mathbf{N}(\mathbf{ab}) = \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{a}) \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{b})$
22. State and prove Minkowski's theorem.
23. If  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n$  is a basis for  $K$  over  $Q$ , then prove that  $\sigma(\alpha_1), \sigma(\alpha_2), \dots, \sigma(\alpha_n)$  are linearly independent over  $R$ , where  $\sigma$  is a  $Q$ -algebra homomorphism.
24. Prove that the class group of a number field is a finite abelian group and the class number  $h$  is finite.

(7 X 2 = 14)

### PART -C

#### (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any two questions-Each question has weightage 4

25. Prove that every subgroup  $H$  of a free Abelian group  $G$  of rank  $n$  is a free of rank  $s \leq n$ .  
Also prove that there exists a basis  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  for  $G$  and positive integers  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_s$  such that  $\alpha_1 u_1, \alpha_2 u_2, \alpha_3 u_3, \dots, \alpha_s u_s$  is a basis for  $H$ .
26. a) If  $K$  is a number field, Then prove that  $K = Q(\theta)$  for some algebraic number  $\theta$ .  
b) Express  $Q(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3})$  in the form of  $Q(\theta)$
27. In a domain in which factorization into irreducible is possible prove that each factorization is unique if and only if every irreducible is prime.
28. Prove that an additive subgroup of  $R^n$  is a lattice if and only if it is discrete.

(2 X 4 = 8)