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MATHEMATICS

**MT - 805 : Lattice Theory
(2008 Pattern) (Semester-IV)**

Time : 3 Hours]

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Instructions to the candidates:

- 1) *Attempt any five questions.*
- 2) *Figures to the right indicate full marks.*

Q1) a) Let \mathbb{N}_0 be the set of all non-negative integers. Define $m \leq n$ if there exists $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ such that $n = km$. Prove that \mathbb{N}_0 is a lattice under this relation. **[5]**

b) Let I be an ideal and let D be a dual ideal. If $I \cap D \neq \emptyset$ then show that $I \cap D$ is a convex sublattice and every convex sublattice can be expressed in this form in one and only one way. **[5]**

c) Prove that $\text{Con}(L)$, the set of all congruence relations of a lattice L , is a lattice. **[6]**

Q2) a) Prove that a lattice L can be embedded in the ideal lattice $Id(L)$ and this embedding is onto if L is finite. **[6]**

b) Show that the chain with five elements $C_5 \cong L \times K$ then L or K has only one element. **[2]**

c) Prove that the lattice L is modular if and only if it does not contain a sublattice isomorphic to N_5 . **[8]**

Q3) a) Let L be a pseudocomplemented lattice, $S(L) = \{a^* | a \in L\}$. Then prove that the partial ordering of L partially orders $S(L)$ and makes $S(L)$ into a Boolean lattice. For $a, b \in S(L)$, we have $a \wedge b \in S(L)$ and the join in $S(L)$ is described by $a \vee b = (a^* \wedge b^*)^*$ **[8]**

b) Define homomorphism of lattices and prove that a homomorphic image of a lattice L is isomorphic to a suitable quotient lattice of L . **[8]**

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- Q4) a)** Show that the following inequalities hold in any lattice [4]
- i) $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee z);$
- ii) $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee (x \wedge z)).$
- b) Let L and K be lattices, let θ be a congruence relation of L , and let ϕ be a congruence relation of K . Define the relation $\theta \times \phi$ on $L \times K$ by $\langle a, b \rangle \equiv \langle c, d \rangle (\theta \times \phi)$ if and only if $a \equiv c (\theta)$ and $b \equiv d (\phi)$. Then show that $\theta \times \phi$ is a congruence relation on $L \times K$ and conversely, every congruence relation of $L \times K$ is of this form. [6]
- c) Prove that in a distributive lattice L , if the ideals $I \vee J$ and $I \wedge J$ are principal then so are I and J . [6]
- Q5) a)** Let L be a distributive lattice with 0 . Show that $a^\perp = \{x \in L \mid x \wedge a = 0\}$ is an ideal of L . [4]
- b) Prove that a maximal ideal of a distributive lattice is prime but not conversely. [4]
- c) State and prove Nachbin theorem. [8]
- Q6) a)** Prove that every finite distributive lattice is isomorphic to ring of sets. [8]
- b) Let L be a distributive lattice, let I be an ideal, let D be a dual ideal of L , and let $I \cap D = \emptyset$. Then prove that there exists a prime ideal P of L such that $P \supseteq I$ and $P \cap D = \emptyset$. [8]
- Q7) a)** State and prove Jordan-Hölder Theorem for semimodular lattices. [7]
- b) Prove that every modular lattice satisfies the upper covering conditions. [5]
- c) Prove that the dual of a distributive lattice is distributive. [4]

- Q8)** a) Prove that every prime ideal is a meet-irreducible element of a ideal lattice but not conversely. **[6]**
- b) Prove that a lattice L is distributive if and only if for any two ideals I, J of L , $I \vee J = \{i \vee j | i \in I, j \in J\}$. **[5]**
- c) Let $\langle P; \leq \rangle$ be a poset in which $\inf H$ exists for all $H \subseteq P$. Show that $\langle P; \leq \rangle$ is a lattice. **[5]**

