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MATHEMATICS

MT - 805 : Lattice Theory

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Instructions to the candidates:

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

**Q1)** a) Let  $N_0$  be the set of all non-negative integers. Define  $m \leq n$  if and only if there exists  $k \in N_0$  such that  $n = km$ .

Prove that  $N_0$  is a lattice under this relation. [6]

b) Let  $L$  be a lattice then prove that  $I$  is a proper ideal of  $L$  if and only if there is a join-homomorphism  $\phi$  of  $L$  onto  $C_2$  such that  $I = \phi^{-1}(0)$ . [6]

c) Prove that every meet homomorphism is isotone. Is the converse true? Justify? [4]

**Q2)** a) Prove that every homomorphic image of a lattice  $L$  is isomorphic to a suitable quotient lattice of  $L$ . [6]

b) Let  $L$  be a lattice and let  $I$  be nonempty subset of  $L$ . Prove that  $I$  is an ideal if and only if  $a, b \in I$  implies that  $a \vee b \in I$ , and  $a \in I, x \in L, x \leq a$  imply that  $x \in I$ . [5]

c) Let  $\theta$  be a congruence relation of lattice  $L$ . Then prove that for every  $a \in L$ ,  $[a]\theta$  is a convex sublattice. [5]

**Q3)** a) Let  $L$  and  $K$  be the lattices. Let  $\theta$  be a congruence relation of  $L$  and let  $\phi$  be a congruence relation of  $K$ . Define the relation  $\theta \times \phi$  on  $L \times K$  by [7]  
 $\langle a, b \rangle \equiv \langle c, d \rangle (\theta \times \phi)$  if and only if  $a \equiv c (\theta)$  and  $b \equiv d (\phi)$ .

Then prove that  $\theta \times \phi$  is a congruence relation on  $L \times K$ . Also, show that every congruence relation of  $L \times K$  is of this form.

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- b) Prove that the following inequalities hold in any lattice. [5]
- i)  $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee z)$
- ii)  $(x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z) \leq x \wedge (y \vee (x \wedge z))$
- c) Prove that the dual of a distributive lattice is distributive [4]
- Q4)** a) Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented meet semilattice, and  $S(L) = \{a^*/a \in L\}$ .  
Then prove that [6]
- i)  $a \in S(L)$  if and only if  $a = a^{**}$
- ii)  $a, b \in S(L)$  implies that  $a \wedge b \in S(L)$ .
- b) 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]
- c) Prove that every distributive lattice is modular, but not conversely. Find the smallest modular but nondistributive lattice. [4]
- Q5)** a) Prove that a lattice  $L$  is modular if and only if it does not contain a pentagon. [8]
- b) Let  $L$  be a pseudocomplemented meet-semilattice and let  $a, b \in L$ . Then verify the formulas [4]
- $$(a \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b)^* = (a^{**} \wedge b^{**})^*$$
- c) Prove that every complete lattice is bounded. Is the converse true? Justify. [4]
- Q6)** a) Let  $L$  be an finite distributive lattice. Then prove that the map  $\phi : a \rightarrow r(a)$  is an isomorphism between  $L$  and  $H(J(L))$ , the set of all hereditary subsets of the set of all nonzero join-irreducible elements of  $L$ . [8]
- b) Prove that every modular lattice satisfies both the upper and the lower covering conditions. [5]
- c) Give an example of a lattice which is semi-modular but not modular. [3]

- Q7)** a) State and prove fixed point theorem for complete lattices. [8]
- b) Let  $L$  be a lattice of finite length. If  $L$  is semimodular, then prove that any two maximal chains of  $L$  are of the same length. [8]
- Q8)** a) Prove that a lattice is distributive if and only if it is isomorphic to a ring of sets. [8]
- b) Let  $L$  be a lattice and  $a, b \in L$ . If  $a \wedge b$  in  $L$  and  $b \vee a$  in the dual of  $L$ . Then prove that  $[a \wedge b, b] \cong [a, a \vee b]$  [8]

