

Score Name: Roll No. 

Quiz–Algebra I: M.Sc. (Hons.) Mathematics, Semester I  
(October-2014\*)

Max. Marks 10

Max. time allowed: 20 Minutes

Note: Read the instructions carefully:

- ✿ Attempt all questions by ticking  $\checkmark$  *only* one of the four choices (a), (b), (c), and (d) for each question below.
- ✿ Response to any question marked for more than one choice will not be counted for any score.

1. One of the following is *not* a composition series
 

(a)  $1 \trianglelefteq \langle \bar{3} \rangle \trianglelefteq \langle \bar{2} \rangle \trianglelefteq \mathbb{Z}/12\mathbb{Z}$  (b)  $1 \trianglelefteq \langle r \mid r^7 = 1 \rangle \trianglelefteq D_{14}$   
 (c)  $1 \trianglelefteq \{1, (12)(34), (13)(24), (23)(14)\} \trianglelefteq A_4 \trianglelefteq S_4$  (d) none of these
2. The order of the element  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  of the group  $GL_2(\mathbb{C})$  is  
 (a) 4 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 8
3. Every group of order  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is abelian if and only if  $n = \prod_{i=1}^r p_i \prod_{j=1}^s q_j^2$  where  $p_i$  and  $q_j$  are distinct primes which satisfy  $\gcd(n, K) = 1$ , where  $K$  is equal to  
 (a)  $\prod_{i=1}^r p_i \prod_{j=1}^s (q_j^2 - 1)$  (b)  $\prod_{i=1}^r (p_i + 1) \prod_{j=1}^s (q_j^2 + 1)$   
 (c)  $\prod_{i=1}^r (p_i + 1) \prod_{j=1}^s (q_j^2 - 1)$  (d)  $\prod_{i=1}^r (p_i - 1) \prod_{j=1}^s (q_j^2 - 1)$
4. Let  $m$  denotes the number of all homomorphisms from  $D_6 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_6$  and  $n$  is the number of all homomorphisms from  $\mathbb{Z}_6 \rightarrow D_6$ . Then  
 (a)  $m < n$  (b)  $m = n$  (c)  $n < m$  (d) none of these.
5. Let  $G$  be a simple group of order 168. Then the number of subgroups of  $G$  of order 7 is  
 (a) 1 (b) 7 (c) 8 (d) 24
6. Under the action of an abelian-group of order 24 on a set  $X \neq \emptyset$ , the number of elements in the distinct orbits has one of the following possibilities  
 (a) 1,2,3,18 (b) 2,2,2,2,6,10 (c) 7,7,7,3 (d) 1,4,8,12
7. A group is finite abelian if and only if  
 (a) it is cyclic (b) it is simple  
 (c) it has a composition series (d) none of these
8. The total number of elements of order 2 in  $S_4$  is  
 (a) 1 (b) 3 (c) 9 (d) none of these
9. Let  $G$  be a finite group having elements of orders 1,2,...,and 9. The least possible order of such a group is  
 (a)  $9!$  (b) 2520 (c) 1 (d)  $\frac{9!}{2}$
10. If  $n \geq m$ , then the number of  $m$ -cycles in the permutation group  $S_n$  is given by:  
 (a)  $\frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-m+1)}{m}$  (b)  $\frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-m+1)}{2}$   
 (c)  $\frac{n(n-1) \cdots (n-m+1)}{n}$  (d) none of these

Checked by \_\_\_\_\_

5.c  
1.a  
3.b  
4.b  
7.c  
8.c  
2.c  
9.b  
10.a  
6.b