

**FIRST SEMESTER 2020-21**

# Course Handout Part II

Date:20.08.2021

In addition to part-I (General Handout for all courses appended to the time table) this portion gives further specific details regarding the course.

*Course No.* : **MATH F215**

## Course Title : **Algebra I**

## Instructor-in-Charge : **Pratyusha Chattopadhyay**

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**Scope and Objective of the Course:** Group theory and ring theory are the fundamental building blocks of abstract algebra. Knowledge of this course will help a student to pursue courses on advanced algebra.

The objective of this course is to introduce basics of group theory and ring theory. In group theory we will introduce concept of groups, subgroups, homomorphisms, isomorphisms, quotient groups, normal subgroups, and cosets. We will then learn about some of the important theorems like Lagrange’s theorem, Cayley’s theorem, Sylow’s theorem. In ring theory we will introduce concepts of rings, subrings, integral domains, ideals, quotient rings, isomorphism theorem, Euclidean domains, principal ideal domains, unique factorization domains, and related results.

**Text Book:** I. N. Herstein, Topics in Algebra, 2nd Edition, John Wiley, 1975.

**Reference Books:**

1. Joseph A. Gallian, Contemporary Abstract Algebra, Seventh Edition, Brooks / Cole, Cengage Learning.
2. John B. Fraleigh, A First Course in Abstract Algebra, 3rd Edition, Narosa.
3. Dummit & Foote, Abstract Algebra, Third Edition, Wiley.
4. Jacobson H., Basic Algebra I, Feemass HPC, 1982.

**Course Plan:**

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| **Lecture No.** | **Learning objectives** | **Topics to be covered** | **Chapter in the Text Book** |
| 1 | Preliminaries | Basics of set theory, mappings, equivalence relations, integers modulo n (Z/nZ) | 1 |
| 2 – 3 | To learn about basics to group theory, like groups, subgroups, normal subgroups, quotient groups, permutation groups, homomorphisms, automorphisms, a few counting principles, and Cayley’s theorem | Definitions and examples of groups and a few preliminary lemmas | 2.1 - 2.3 |
| 4 – 6 | Subgroups and counting principle | 2.4, 2.5 |
| 7 – 9 | Normal subgroups and quotient groups | 2.6 |
| 10 – 14 | Homomorphisms, automorphisms, and Cayley’s theorem | 2.7 - 2.9 |
| 15 – 19 | Permutation Groups, Another Counting Principle | 2.10, 2.11 |
| 20 – 26 | Sylow’s theorem and its applicaitons | Sylow’s Theorems | 2.12 |
| 27 - 28 | To learn basics of ring theory, like rings, subrings, ideals, prime idelas, maximal idelas, quotient rings, polynomial rings, Euclidean rings, PIDs and UFDs | Definition and examples of rings and few preliminary lemmas | 3.1, 3.2 |
| 29 | Ring homomorphisms and examples | 3.3 |
| 30 - 32 | Ideals & quotient rings | 3.4, 3.5 |
| 33 - 34 | Fields of quotient of an integral domain | 3.6 |
| 35 - 37 | Euclidean rings and a particular example | 3.7, 3.8 |
| 38 - 40 | Polynomial rings and polynomials over the rational field | 3.9, 3.10 |

**Evaluation Scheme:**

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| **Component** | **Duration** | **Weightage (%)** | **Date & Time** | **Nature of Component** |
| Mid-semester exam | 90 mins | 30 | 20/10/2021 9.00 - 10.30AM | Open book |
| Assignment-I |  | 15 | Will be announced | Open book |
| Assignment-II |  | 15 | Will be announced | Open book |
| Comprehensive | 120 mins | 40 | 16/12 FN | Open book |

**The total marks of all the components, taken together will be 100.**

**Chamber Consultation Hour:** To be announced by the respective Instructor.

**Notices:** The notices concerning this course will be announced on the CMS Notice Board only.

**Make-up Policy:** Make-up for tests will be given only for genuine cases and prior permission has to be obtained from the Instructor In-charge.

**Academic Honesty and Integrity Policy:** Academic honesty and integrity are to be maintained by all the students throughout the semester and any type of academic dishonesty is not acceptable.

**INSTRUCTOR-IN-CHARGE (MATH F215)**