

NANYANG TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

SEMESTER II EXAMINATION 2023-2024

MH4200 – Abstract Algebra II

May 2024

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination paper contains **SIX (6)** questions and comprises **THREE (3)** printed pages.
2. Answer **ALL** questions. The marks for each question are indicated at the end of the question.
3. Answer each question beginning on a **FRESH** page of the answer book.
4. This is a **CLOSED** book examination.
5. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should write down systematically the steps in the workings.

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Question 1

(10 marks)

Consider the quotient ring $\mathbb{Q}[X, Y]/(XY)$.

Prove that $\mathbb{Q}[X, Y]/(XY) \simeq \mathbb{Q}[X] \oplus \mathbb{Q}[Y]$.

Question 2

(20 marks)

Let R be a commutative ring with identity and assume that all prime ideals in R are finitely generated.

Prove that all ideals in R are finitely generated.

Question 3

(20 marks)

Let R be an Artinian ring. Prove the following:

- (a) All prime ideals in R are maximal.
- (b) There are only finitely many maximal ideals in R .

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Question 4 (15 marks)

Let R be a principal ideal domain and M be a finitely generated, torsion-free R -module.

Prove that M is a free module.

Question 5 (15 marks)

Let R be a commutative ring with identity. Suppose that M is an R -module and N is a submodule of M .

Prove that if both M/N and N are finitely generated, then so is M .

Question 6 (20 marks)

Let R be a principal ideal domain and M be an R -module. Prove that M is injective if and only if M is divisible.

END OF PAPER