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Section – C

(Long Answers Questions)

1. Let $G_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ be n groups and G is the external direct product of these groups. Let e^i be the identity of the group G_i for each $(1 \leq i \leq n)$. Then prove following:
- For each i , $H_i = \{(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{i-1}, x_i, e_{i+1}, \dots, e_n) / x_i \in G_i\}$ is a normal subgroup of G .
 - H_i is isomorphic to $G_i \quad \forall i$
 - Each $g \in G$ can be written uniquely as product of elements from H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n

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2. Let G_1 and G_2 be two groups. Let H_1 and H_2 be normal subgroup of G_1 and G_2 respectively then prove that:
- $H_1 \times H_2$ is normal subgroup of $G_1 \times G_2$
 - $\frac{G_1 \times G_2}{H_1 \times H_2} \cong \frac{G_1}{H_1} \times \frac{G_2}{H_2}$

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3. Let G be a group and let H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n be the subgroup of G . Then prove that G is an internal direct product of H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n if and only if the following conditions are satisfied:
- H_i is normal in $G \quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
 - $H_i \cap (\prod_{j=1}^i H_j) = \{e\}$
 - $G = H_1 H_2 \dots H_n$

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4. Let H and N be two subgroups of G and let H' and N' be two normal subgroups of H and N respectively. Then prove following :
- $(H \cap N')H'$ is normal subgroup of $(H \cap N)H'$
 - $(H' \cap N)$ is normal subgroup of $(H \cap N)N'$

$$(iii) \quad \frac{(H \cap N')H'}{(H \cap N)H'} \cong \frac{(H \cap N)N'}{(H' \cap N)N'}$$

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5. State and prove the class equation for finite group.

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6. Let H and N be two subgroups of G such that N is normal in G. Then prove that $H \cap N$ is normal subgroup of H and

$$\frac{H}{H \cap N} \cong \frac{HN}{N}$$

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7. Prove that a group G is solvable if and only if $G^{(n)} = \{e\}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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8. State and prove Jordan Holder theorem.

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9. Prove the following :

(a) Every subgroup of a solvable group is solvable.

(b) Every homomorphic image of a solvable group is solvable.

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10. Prove that the ring of Gaussian integers is a Euclidean ring.

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11. Let R be a Euclidean ring, a and b be two non zero elements of R. Then prove the following :

(a) If b is unit then $d(ab) = d(a)$

(b) If b is not a unit then $d(a) > d(b)$

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12. Define unique factorization domain. Prove that every Euclidean ring R is a unique factorization domain.

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13. If M_1 and M_2 are submodules of an R-module M, then prove the following:

(a) $M_1 \cap M_2$ is a submodule of M.

(b) $M_1 + M_2 = \{m_1 + m_2 / m_1 \in M_1, m_2 \in M_2\}$ is a submodule of M.

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14. Let M be an R-module and N_1, N_2, \dots, N_k be submodules of M. Then prove that following statements are equivalent:

(a) $M = N_1 \oplus N_2 \oplus \dots \oplus N_k$

- (b) If $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = 0$ then $n_1 = n_2 = \dots = n_k = 0$ for $n_i \in N_i$
 (c) $N_i \cap (N_1 + N_{i-1} + N_{i+1} + \dots + N_k) = \{0\}$

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15. Define module homomorphism. If $f: M \rightarrow M'$ be an R-module homomorphism then prove that following :
 (a) $\ker(f) = \{x \in M / f(x) = 0 \in M'\}$ is a sub module of M
 (b) $\text{Im}(f) = \{f(x) / x \in M\}$ is a sub module of M'

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16. Let R be a commutative ring; M, M' are modules ; and $f, g \in \text{Hom}_R(M, M')$. Then prove that $\text{Hom}_R(M, M')$ is an R-module for following operation:

$$\begin{aligned} (g + f)(x) &= f(x) + g(x) \\ (rf)(x) &= r f(x), \quad r \in R, \quad x \in M \end{aligned}$$

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17. State and prove fundamental theorem on module homomorphism.

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18. Let M_1 and M_2 are submodule of an R-module M. Then prove that:

$$\frac{M_1 + M_2}{M_2} \cong \frac{M_1}{M_1 \cap M_2}$$

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19. Let R be a Euclidean ring. Then prove that any finitely generated R-module N is the direct sum of a finite number of cyclic sub modules.

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20. Let $t : V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear transformation then prove following :
 (a) t is monomorphism iff (if and only if) $\ker(t) = \{0\}$
 (b) If the set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is linearly dependent then the set $\{t(v_1), t(v_2), \dots, t(v_n)\}$ is also linearly dependent.
 (c) If the set $\{t(v_1), t(v_2), \dots, t(v_n)\}$ is linearly independent then the set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is linearly independent.
 (d) If the set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ spans V then the set $\{t(v_1), t(v_2), \dots, t(v_n)\}$ spans $\text{Im}(t)$.

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21. Let V and V' be two vector spaces over the same field F and $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for V and $B' = \{b'_1, b'_2, \dots, b'_n\}$ be a set of vectors in V' if $t : V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear transformation such that $t(b_i) = b'_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then prove that t is an isomorphism iff the set B' is a basis for V' .

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22. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over field F and $B = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ be set of vectors in V . map $t: F^n \rightarrow V$ such that $t(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) = \alpha_1 v_1, \alpha_2 v_2, \dots, \alpha_n v_n \quad \forall (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \in F^n$
Then prove that t is a linear transformation and
- t is monomorphism iff B is linearly independent
 - t is an epimorphism iff B spans V .
 - t is an isomorphism iff B is a basis for V .

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23. Let V be a vector space over a field F and $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for V , then prove that the dual space V^* has a basis $B^* = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$ such that:
 $f_i(b_j) = \delta_{ij} ; i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad \delta_{ij} \in F$ is a kronecker delta

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24. Define second dual of a vector space. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over the field F . Then prove that there exists a natural isomorphism of V onto V^{**} .

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25. Let V and V' be any two finite dimensional vector space over the same field F . Then prove that the vector space $\text{Hom}(V, V')$ of all linear transformation of V to V' is also finite dimensional and $\dim \text{Hom}(V, V') = \dim V \times \dim V'$

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26. State and prove sylvescter's law of nullity.

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27. Show that the map $t: V_2R \rightarrow V_3R$ defined by $t(a, b) = (a + b, a - b, b)$ is a linear transformation. Find range, rank, null space and nullity of t .

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28. Let K be a field extension of a field F . Then prove that an element $a \in K$ is algebraic over F if and only if $F(a)$ is finite extension of F .

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29. If F is a field and $p(x)$ be an irreducible polynomial of positive degree over a field F . Then prove that there is an extension $K = F(x) / \langle p(x) \rangle$ of F such that $[K : F] = \deg p(x)$ and $p(x)$ has a root in K .

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30. Let F be a field of characteristic $p \neq 0$. Then prove that the polynomial $f(x) = x^{p^n} - x \in F(x)$ for $n \geq 1$ has distinct roots.

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31. Prove the following :

- (a) Every field of characteristic zero is perfect.
- (b) A field F of characteristic $p \neq 0$ such that each element of the field is p th power of some member of the same field. The F is perfect.

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32. Let K be a finite extension of a field F . Then prove that the group $G(K/F)$ of F automorphisms of k is finite and

$$|G(K/F)| \leq [K:F]$$

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33. Let G be a finite group of automorphisms of a field K . Let F be the fixed field of G . Then prove that K is a Galois extension of F with $G(K/F) = G$

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34. Let K be a Galois extension of a field F . Then there exists a one to one correspondence between the set of all subfields of K containing F and the set of all sub groups of $G(K/F)$. Further if E is any sub field of K which contains F then prove following :

- (a) $[K:E] = |G(K/E)|$ and $[E:F] = \text{index of } G(K/E) \text{ in } G(K/F)$
- (b) E is normal extension of F if and only if $G(K/F)$ is a normal subgroup of $G(K/F)$.
- (c) If E is normal extension of F , then $G(K/E) \cong G(K/F)/G(K/E)$

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35. Let F be the field of characteristic zero containing all n th roots of unity. If $f(x)$ is solvable by radicals over F , then prove that the Galois group of $f(x)$ over F is solvable.

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36. Show that the general polynomial equation of degree n is not solvable by radicals for $n \geq 5$.

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37. Let $t: R^3 \rightarrow R^3$ be a linear transformation such that $t(a, b, c) = (3a + c, -2a + b, -a + 2b + 4c)$. What is the matrix of t in the ordered basis $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$ where $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, 1)$, $\alpha_2 = (-1, 2, 1)$, $\alpha_3 = (2, 1, 1)$

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38. Let V and V' be n and m dimensional vector space over a field F . Then prove that for given bases B and B' of V and V' respectively, the function assigning to each linear transformation $t: V \rightarrow V'$ its matrix $M_{B'}^B(t)$ relative to bases B, B' is an isomorphism

between the vector space $\text{Hom}(V, V')$ and the space $F^{m \times n}$ of all matrices over F .

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39. Let V and V' be finite dimensional vector spaces over a field F with bases B and B' respectively. If $t: V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear transformation, then prove that $M_{B^* B'^*}(t^*) = [M_{B' B}(t)]^T$, where t^* is the dual map of t and B^* and B'^* are the bases dual to B and B' respectively.

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40. Let $B = \{b_1 = (1, 0), b_2 = (0, 1)\}$ and $B' = \{b'_1 = (1, 3), b'_2 = (2, 5)\}$ be any two bases of R^2 then:
 (a) Determine the transition matrix P from the basis B to the basis B' .
 (b) Determine the transition matrix Q from the basis B' to the basis B .
 © Find relation between P and Q .

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41. Prove that two matrices over a field F are similar iff they correspond to the same linear transformation of a vector space V over F to itself with respect to two different bases.

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42. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over a field F and $t: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation. Then prove following :
 (a) The matrix A of t is a diagonal matrix having the eigen values of t as diagonal entries iff A is corresponding to a basis of V consisting of eigen vectors of linear transformation t .
 (b) The eigen values t are exactly the diagonal entries of A and each appearing on the diagonal as many times as the dimension of its eigen space.

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43. Define determinant function. Prove that there exists a multilinear function $\det: (F^n)^n \rightarrow F$ such that

$$\det(A) = \det(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = \sum_{P \in S_n} \epsilon(P) a_{f(1)1} a_{f(2)2} \dots a_{f(n)n} \forall A_i \in F^n$$

Satisfy the axioms of determinant function

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44. Let \det and \det' be two determinant functions. Then prove that for all column vectors $(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) \in F^n$

$$\det(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) = \det'(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$$

Also define determinant of a matrix

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45. Let A be a matrix of order $n \times n$ and let $\phi : n \rightarrow n$ then prove :

(a) $\sum_{P \in S_n} \in (P) a_{p(1)\phi(1)}, a_{p(2)\phi(2)} \dots \dots a_{p(n)\phi(n)} = \in (d)|A|$

(b) $\sum_{P \in S_n} \in (P) a_{\phi(1)p(1)}, a_{\phi(2)p(2)} \dots \dots a_{\phi(n)p(n)} = \in (d)|A|$

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46. Let $A = (A_1, A_2, \dots \dots A_n)$ be an $n \times n$ square matrix over a field F , where F is the i th column of A . Then prove the following :

(a) $\det(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_i, \dots A_j, \dots A_n) = 0$ if $A_i = 0$ for some i .

(b) $\det((A_1, A_2, \dots \dots A_n) = 0$ if the $(A_1, A_2, \dots \dots A_n)$ is linearly dependent.

(c) $\det(A_1, \dots A_{i-1}, A_{i+\lambda}, A_j, \dots A_n) = \det(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_i, \dots A_j, \dots A_n)$

(d) $\det(A\alpha) = \alpha^n \det(A)$ for $\alpha \in F$

(e) Multiplying one column of A by a scalar α , $\det(A)$ multiplies by α .

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47. State and prove Cayley-Hamilton theorem.

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48. State and prove Schwarz inequality.

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49. Let $\{v_1, v_2, \dots \dots v_n\}$ be a set of vectors in an inner product space V such that they are pairwise orthogonal. Then prove that :

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n v_i \right\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|v_i\|^2$$

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50. Prove that every finite dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.

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51. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the vectors $v_1 = (1, 0, 1), v_2 = (1, 0, -1), v_3 = (0, 3, 4)$ to obtain an orthonormal basis for R^3 with the standard inner product.

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52. If $\{u_1, u_2, \dots \dots u_n\}$ is any finite orthonormal set in an inner product space V and v is any vector in V , then prove that:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle v, u_i \rangle|^2 \leq \|v\|^2$$

And equality holds if and only if v is in the subspace generated by $\{u_1, u_2, \dots \dots u_n\}$

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53. If $A = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ is any orthonormal set in any finite dimensional inner product space V , then prove that following are equivalent :
- orthonormal set A is complete.
 - If $u \in V$ and $\langle u, u_i \rangle \geq 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, then $u = 0$
 - $\langle A \rangle = V$ that is A generates V .
 - If $u \in V$ then $u = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle u, u_i \rangle u_i$
 - If $u, v \in V$ then $\langle u, v \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n \langle u, u_i \rangle \langle v, u_i \rangle$
 - If $u \in V$ then $\|u\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle u, u_i \rangle|^2$

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54. Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space. Let $t: V \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation then prove that there exists a unique linear transformation $t^*: V \rightarrow V$ such that $\langle t(u), v \rangle = \langle u, t^*(v) \rangle \forall u, v \in V$

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55. Prove that a linear transformation $t: V \rightarrow V$ (V is finite dimensional inner product space) is symmetric if and only if its matrix $A=[a_{ij}]$ relative to some orthonormal basis B of V is symmetric.

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56. If M and N are subspaces of a finite dimensional inner product space V then prove following:

$$(a) (M + N)^\perp = M^\perp \cap N^\perp \quad (b) M^\perp + N^\perp = (M \cap N)^\perp$$

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57. If both t and s are linear transformation on an inner product space V . Then prove the following :

- If t is self adjoint then $s^* t s$ is self adjoint.
- If t and s are self adjoint then $ts + st$ is self adjoint.
- If s is invertible and $s^* t s$ is self adjoint then t is self adjoint.

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58. Let $B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be an orthonormal basis of an inner product space V . Then prove that a linear transformation $t: V \rightarrow V'$ is orthogonal if and only if the set $\{t(u_1), t(u_2), \dots, t(u_n)\}$ is orthogonal in V' .

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59. If $t: V \rightarrow V'$ is any map from an inner product space V to itself such that
- $t(0) = 0$
 - $\|t(u) - t(v)\| = \|u - v\|$.
- Then prove that t is an orthogonal linear transformation.

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60. State and prove principal axis theorem.

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61. Prove the following:

- (a) The inverse of an orthogonal linear transformation when defined is an orthogonal transformation.
- (b) The composite of two orthogonal transformations when defined, is an orthogonal transformation.

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62. Let G be the external direct product of groups G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n . Let

$$H_i = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{i-1}, x_i, e_{i+1}, \dots, e_n \mid x_i \in G_i\}$$

Then prove that :

- (a) $\frac{G}{G_i} \cong G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_{i-1} \times G_{i+1} \times \dots \times G_n$
- (b) If $x \in H_i$ and $y \in H_j$ for some $i \neq j$ then $xy = yx$.
- (a) $\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$
- (b) $|\|u\| - \|v\|| \leq \|u - v\|$

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63. Let G be a group, H and K are two subgroups of G such that H and K are normal in G and $H \cap K = \{e\}$. Then prove that :
- (a) HK is the internal direct product of H and K .
- (b) $HK \cong H \times K$

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64. Let G be a group. Then prove the following :
- (a) G is abelian iff $G^{(1)} = \{e\}$, identity element of G .
- (b) H be a subgroup of G . Then $H \triangleleft G$ and G/H is abelian iff $[G, G] \subseteq H$.

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65. Prove that any two subnormal series of a group G have equivalent refinements.

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66. If $B = \{b_1 = (-1, 1, 1), b_2 = (1, -1, 1), b_3 = (1, 1, -1)\}$ is a basis of $V_3(\mathbb{R})$, then find the dual basis to B .

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67. If L is a finite extension of a field F and K is a subfield of L containing F . Then prove that $[K : F]$ divides $[L : F]$.

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68. Let \mathbb{R} be the field of rational numbers, then show that

$$\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{3}) = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3})$$

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69. Prove the following :

- (a) An irreducible polynomial $f(x)$ over a field of characteristic $p > 0$ is separable if and only if $f(x) \in G[x^p]$
- (b) A polynomial $f(x)$ over a field F is separable if and only if it is relatively prime to its derivative.

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70. Let K be an extension of the field of rational numbers Q . Show that any automorphism of K must leave every element of Q fixed.

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71. Show that the group $G(Q(\alpha), Q)$, where $\alpha^5 = 1, \alpha \neq 1$ is isomorphic to the cyclic group of order 4.

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72. Let V, W, U be vector spaces over the same field F . Then prove the following :

- (a) If $t : V \rightarrow W, s : W \rightarrow V$ are linear transformations and A and B are the matrix relative to t and s respectively. Then the matrix relative to st is $B.A$.
- (b) A linear transformation $t : V \rightarrow V$ is invertible iff matrix of t relative to some bases B of V is invertible.

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