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99 學年度下學期博士班資格考試題  
科目：代數

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(1) (15 %) Let  $k$  be a field, and  $k[[x]]$  be the set of all formal power series  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i$ , with coefficients  $a_i \in k$ . Define operations on  $k[[x]]$  by:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i x^i = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (a_i + b_i) x^i,$$
$$\left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i x^i \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i x^i \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \sum_{j=0}^i a_j b_{i-j} \right) x^i.$$

Show that  $k[[x]]$  is a principal ideal domain under these operations. Furthermore show that there is only one maximal ideal inside this ring.

(2) (15 %) Let  $\text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{Q})$  be the ring consisting of  $n \times n$  square matrices with entries from  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Prove that any automorphism of this ring must be of the form  $M \mapsto AMA^{-1}$ , for some invertible matrix  $A \in \text{Mat}_n(\mathbb{Q})$ .

(3) (15 %) Let  $M$  be any given  $n \times n$  matrix having entries from field  $k$ , with characteristic polynomial  $P(x) \in k[x]$ . Give a proof of the following identity (Cayley-Hamilton):

$$P(M) = 0.$$

(4) (15 %) Let  $\mathbb{F}_{32}$  be the finite field with 32 elements,  $G := \text{GL}_{32}(\mathbb{F}_{32})$  is the group of invertible  $32 \times 32$  matrices having entries from  $\mathbb{F}_{32}$ . Show that the subgroup  $U$  of  $G$  consisting of upper triangular matrices having its diagonal entries all equal to 1 is a Sylow 2-subgroup of  $G$ . Then prove that any finite group of order 32 is isomorphic to a subgroup of this matrix group  $U$  (you may use Sylow's theorems to prove this statement).

(5) (10%) Use Galois theory to compute the Galois group of the polynomial  $x^5 - 5$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

(6) (15 %) Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a given maximal ideal in the ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}]$ . Show first that  $\mathcal{P} \cap \mathbb{Z} = (p)$ , where  $p$  is a prime number. Denote by  $\overline{\mathcal{P}}$  the set of complex conjugates of elements in  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then verify that if  $\mathcal{P}_1, \mathcal{P}_2$  are two maximal ideals in  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}]$  satisfying  $\mathcal{P}_i \cap \mathbb{Z} = (p)$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ , then either  $\mathcal{P}_1 = \mathcal{P}_2$ , or  $\overline{\mathcal{P}_1} = \mathcal{P}_2$  (you may apply Chinese remainder theorem to the ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{-1}]$ ).

(7) (15 %) Let  $V := \mathbb{C}^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional complex vector space equipped with the hermitian form

$$(u, v) := \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{v}_i, \quad u, v \in \mathbb{C}^n.$$

Recall that a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$  is said to be self-adjoint if it satisfies:

$$(T(u), v) = (u, T(v)), \quad \forall u, v \in V.$$

Given a set  $S$  of self-adjoint transformations on  $V$  which are mutually commuting, i.e.  $T_1 \circ T_2 = T_2 \circ T_1$  if  $T_1, T_2 \in S$ . Prove that this space  $V$  must have a basis consisting of elements which are eigenvectors for all transformations in  $S$ .