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# Variant 1

## Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

### Group Theory

1. Which of the following best defines a group?
  - a) A collection of numbers only
  - b) A set with an operation satisfying closure, associativity, identity, and invertibility
  - c) Any set with multiple operations
  - d) A sequence of elements without structure

### Ring Theory

2. A ring is distinguished from a group primarily by which feature?
  - a) The presence of two operations: addition and multiplication
  - b) Having only one operation
  - c) Requiring no identity element
  - d) Being finite only

### Field Theory

3. What is the main property that separates a field from a ring?
  - a) Commutativity of addition
  - b) Existence of multiplicative inverses for non-zero elements
  - c) Closure under addition
  - d) Presence of a zero element

### Module Theory

4. A module over a ring is best described as:
  - a) A ring with no addition
  - b) A generalization of vector spaces where scalars come from a ring
  - c) A set with only multiplication
  - d) A simple subset of a field

### Galois Theory

5. Galois theory primarily studies:
  - a) Calculations of determinants
  - b) Symmetries of roots of polynomials and field extensions
  - c) Basic arithmetic operations
  - d) Matrix transformations only

### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions extend the concept of:
  - a) Matrices
  - b) Complex numbers into four dimensions
  - c) Real numbers only
  - d) Scalars without operations

### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring combines:
  - a) A group and a ring structure into a single algebraic object

- b) Two fields
- c) Only rings with addition
- d) Groups without operations

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. The purpose of group representation is to:

- a) Count elements of a group
- b) Represent group elements as linear transformations or matrices
- c) Compute determinants
- d) Solve polynomial equations

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Matrix representations allow:

- a) Visualization of group structure through linear transformations
- b) Only calculation of eigenvalues
- c) Operations without linear algebra
- d) Ignoring group properties

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which of the following reflects a modern pedagogical approach?

- a) Teacher-centered lectures with no interaction
- b) Flipped classrooms, project-based learning, and technology integration
- c) Memorization of formulas without context
- d) Standardized tests only

## **Part II. Matching Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match each concept (1–5) with its correct definition (A–E).

1. Problem-Based Learning (PBL)
2. Flipped Classroom
3. Computational Thinking
4. Formative Assessment
5. Interactive Learning

- A. A method where students learn theoretical material outside class and work on applied tasks in class.
- B. Continuous assessment aimed at monitoring learning and guiding instruction.
- C. Thinking algorithmically and logically to solve problems.
- D. Learning by solving real-world problems as the main instructional strategy.
- E. Learning involving active student participation, collaboration, and engagement.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** collaboration, digital tools, critical thinking, student-centered, simulations, project-based learning, adaptive learning

1. Modern pedagogy emphasizes \_\_\_\_\_ approaches that engage students actively.
2. Virtual labs and interactive software enable exploration through \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Teaching methods aim to develop students' \_\_\_\_\_ abilities to analyze and solve problems.

4. Incorporating computers and multimedia during lessons demonstrates effective use of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Hands-on tasks and real-life applications illustrate \_\_\_\_\_ methods.
6. Lessons adjusting to student progress exemplify \_\_\_\_\_ strategies.
7. Group work fosters \_\_\_\_\_ among learners.

#### **Part IV. Comparative Tasks**

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Ring Theory**: how do the structures and operations differ conceptually?
2. Compare **Field Theory** and **Module Theory**: which features are generalized in modules compared to vector spaces?
3. Compare **Galois Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups**: how does each theory apply to understanding symmetries and transformations?

#### **Part V. Analytical / Reflection Questions**

1. Discuss the role of **quaternions** in representing rotations in three-dimensional space and their applications in informatics or physics.
2. Analyze how **group rings** integrate the properties of groups and rings and why they are useful in algebraic structures.
3. Reflect on the significance of **group representation theory** in modern mathematics and computer science.
4. Explain how **modern pedagogical approaches** in mathematics and informatics enhance problem-solving and critical thinking skills compared to traditional methods.

#### **Part VI. Case Study / Applied Task**

1. Design a short activity applying **project-based learning** in a lecture on Ring Theory. Include objectives, student tasks, and expected outcomes.
2. Propose a scenario where **computational thinking** is integrated into a Field Theory lesson. Describe step-by-step student engagement.
3. Given a matrix representation of a group, discuss how you would explain its significance to students unfamiliar with abstract algebra.

## Variant 2

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which statement best describes the concept of a subgroup?
  - a) Any set of numbers
  - b) A subset of a group that itself satisfies the group axioms
  - c) A sequence of operations
  - d) A collection of unrelated elements

#### Ring Theory

2. Which property distinguishes a commutative ring?
  - a) Multiplication is not defined
  - b) Multiplication is commutative for all elements
  - c) Addition is associative only
  - d) Rings must be infinite

#### Field Theory

3. Which feature is essential for a field but not for a general ring?
  - a) Existence of additive identity
  - b) Existence of multiplicative inverses for all nonzero elements
  - c) Commutativity of addition
  - d) Distributivity of multiplication over addition

#### Module Theory

4. Modules differ from vector spaces because:
  - a) Scalars can come from any ring, not necessarily a field
  - b) They have no addition operation
  - c) Only integers are allowed as scalars
  - d) They are always finite

#### Galois Theory

5. What is the primary goal of Galois theory?
  - a) To classify matrix dimensions
  - b) To understand the solvability of polynomials using group symmetries
  - c) To compute determinants
  - d) To simplify arithmetic operations

#### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions are primarily used to:
  - a) Represent four-dimensional rotations and orientations
  - b) Solve linear equations only
  - c) Replace real numbers in simple arithmetic
  - d) Store numerical data

#### Group Ring Theory

7. The main purpose of a group ring is to:
  - a) Merge group and ring structures for algebraic analysis
  - b) Define only additive operations



- c) Replace matrices
- d) Analyze scalar multiplication only

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Group representation is useful for:
- a) Expressing abstract group elements as linear transformations
  - b) Counting polynomials
  - c) Evaluating derivatives
  - d) Studying arithmetic sequences

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Why are matrix representations important in group theory?
- a) They allow visualizing symmetries via linear transformations
  - b) They are only computational shortcuts
  - c) They replace theoretical proofs entirely
  - d) They simplify addition operations

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which principle reflects a contemporary pedagogical philosophy?
- a) Passive note-taking during lectures
  - b) Student-centered approaches with active problem-solving and collaboration
  - c) Memorizing definitions without application
  - d) Standardized testing as the sole measure of learning

## **Part II. Matching Concepts and Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match each concept (1–5) with its definition (A–E).

- 1. Flipped Classroom
- 2. Formative Assessment
- 3. Project-Based Learning (PjBL)
- 4. Computational Thinking
- 5. Interactive Learning

- A. Students solve complex tasks with real-life applications over a period of time.
- B. A continuous process providing feedback and guiding students during learning.
- C. Learning that combines pre-class preparation with in-class active engagement.
- D. Algorithmic and analytical approach to solve problems efficiently.
- E. Engaging students actively through discussions, group work, and practical exercises.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** abstract reasoning, engagement, technology integration, collaboration, applied learning, adaptive instruction, problem-solving

- 1. Modern mathematics education emphasizes \_\_\_\_\_ to connect theory with practice.
- 2. Students develop \_\_\_\_\_ by working on real-life tasks in lectures or labs.
- 3. Group activities enhance \_\_\_\_\_ among learners.
- 4. The use of simulations, software, and multimedia supports \_\_\_\_\_ in class.
- 5. Lessons designed to adjust to each student's level exemplify \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Lectures aim to improve students' \_\_\_\_\_ when approaching complex concepts.

7. Active participation and motivation are part of increasing student \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Part IV. Comparative / Analytical Tasks**

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Field Theory** in terms of their structural constraints and applications.
2. Compare **Ring Theory** and **Group Ring Theory**: how does the combination of structures expand algebraic possibilities?
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups**: how do both serve to model transformations in higher dimensions?
4. Explain how **Project-Based Learning** differs from **Flipped Classroom** approaches in fostering engagement and understanding in mathematics or informatics.

#### **Part V. Short Essay / Reflection**

1. Discuss the significance of **group representation theory** for modern computational applications.
2. Analyze the advantages and challenges of integrating **digital tools and simulations** into mathematics and informatics lessons.
3. Reflect on the importance of **critical thinking and problem-solving skills** in modern mathematical education and how different algebraic topics contribute to their development.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. A teacher wants to teach **Field Theory** in a lecture with mixed-ability students. Propose a strategy using modern teaching methods, explaining steps and student tasks.
2. Design a short collaborative activity using **Group Theory** concepts, specifying objectives, roles, and outcomes.
3. Suggest how a **Matrix Representation of a Group** could be used to illustrate abstract algebra concepts to students with minimal prior exposure.

## Variant 3

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which scenario illustrates the closure property in a group?
  - a) Adding any two numbers sometimes yields numbers outside the set
  - b) Performing the group operation on two elements always results in an element of the same set
  - c) Operations are optional
  - d) Elements remain unrelated under the operation

#### Ring Theory

2. Which statement reflects a key distinction of a non-commutative ring?
  - a) Addition is not defined
  - b) Multiplication does not necessarily commute for all elements
  - c) It has only one operation
  - d) All elements have inverses

#### Field Theory

3. Which combination of properties defines a field?
  - a) Commutative addition, associative multiplication, and no inverses
  - b) Associative and commutative operations, distributivity, and multiplicative inverses for nonzero elements
  - c) Arbitrary operations with partial closure
  - d) Only addition and subtraction operations

#### Module Theory

4. Modules extend the concept of vector spaces by:
  - a) Allowing scalars from rings instead of fields
  - b) Replacing vectors with matrices
  - c) Eliminating addition operations
  - d) Restricting scalars to integers only

#### Galois Theory

5. Galois theory links:
  - a) Graph theory and combinatorics
  - b) Polynomial solvability with symmetries of field extensions
  - c) Real number arithmetic only
  - d) Matrix calculations and determinants

#### Quaternion Theory

6. A practical application of quaternions includes:
  - a) Simplifying scalar addition
  - b) Representing 3D rotations in computer graphics and robotics
  - c) Evaluating polynomial roots
  - d) Storing only real numbers

#### Group Ring Theory

7. Which statement best describes a group ring?
  - a) It combines a group and a ring into a unified algebraic structure

- b) It contains only group elements with no operations
- c) It is a type of matrix
- d) It generalizes fields exclusively

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Group representation allows:

- a) Converting abstract group operations into linear transformations or matrices
- b) Finding roots of polynomials
- c) Simplifying arithmetic only
- d) Counting elements without structure

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. How do matrix representations support understanding of group structures?

- a) By providing a visual and algebraic framework for abstract symmetries
- b) By replacing all theoretical work
- c) By only computing scalar multiples
- d) By removing the need for group axioms

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which practice exemplifies a contemporary, student-centered approach?

- a) Memorizing definitions during passive lectures
- b) Integrating interactive tasks, collaborative projects, and technology
- c) Strictly lecturing without questions
- d) Sole reliance on standardized tests

## **Part II. Match the Concepts**

**Instructions:** Connect each concept (1–5) to the correct definition (A–E).

1. Flipped Classroom
2. Problem-Based Learning (PBL)
3. Formative Assessment
4. Computational Thinking
5. Interactive Learning

- A. Continuous feedback and guidance during learning processes.
- B. Students actively engage in authentic problem-solving tasks.
- C. Pre-class study of theory, in-class application of knowledge.
- D. Logical, algorithmic approach to decompose and solve problems.
- E. Learning environment where students participate in discussions and hands-on activities.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** collaboration, simulation, critical analysis, student-centered, adaptive strategies, applied practice, problem-solving skills

1. Modern lectures emphasize \_\_\_\_\_ approaches to encourage independent thinking.
2. Virtual environments and educational software enable learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Students enhance \_\_\_\_\_ by evaluating and reasoning through complex problems.
4. Group work in lectures fosters \_\_\_\_\_ among participants.
5. Active, experiential tasks illustrate \_\_\_\_\_ in mathematics and informatics.

6. Lessons that adjust to learners' performance employ \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Real-world exercises improve \_\_\_\_\_ and understanding.

#### **Part IV. Comparative Tasks**

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Ring Theory** in terms of operational structure and axioms.
2. Compare **Field Theory** and **Module Theory** regarding scalar sets and abstraction level.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in their application to transformations.
4. Compare **Flipped Classroom** and **Problem-Based Learning** in fostering independent learning and engagement.

#### **Part V. Analytical / Reflection Questions**

1. Explain how **group representation theory** facilitates the connection between abstract algebra and practical computation.
2. Discuss the advantages of **integrating simulations** in teaching complex algebraic topics.
3. Reflect on the role of **critical analysis and problem-solving skills** in modern mathematics and informatics education.
4. Analyze the benefits and potential challenges of applying **Galois Theory** concepts in advanced mathematical teaching.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. Design a lecture activity using **Group Ring Theory** that encourages collaborative problem-solving. Describe objectives, steps, and expected outcomes.
2. Propose an instructional scenario applying **Field Theory** concepts with adaptive strategies for mixed-ability students.
3. Describe how a **Matrix Representation of a Group** can be illustrated using computational tools for student comprehension.
4. Suggest a method for integrating **quaternions** into a practical informatics or physics lesson.

## Variant 4

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which property is essential for a set and operation to form a group?
  - a) Elements must be integers only
  - b) Closure, associativity, identity, and inverses must hold
  - c) Commutativity of multiplication is required
  - d) Only finite sets are allowed

#### Ring Theory

2. Which of the following distinguishes a ring from a group?
  - a) Rings have no operations
  - b) Rings have two operations, typically addition and multiplication
  - c) Rings require only closure under multiplication
  - d) Rings must be finite

#### Field Theory

3. What characteristic is unique to fields?
  - a) Multiplicative inverses exist for all nonzero elements
  - b) Addition is associative
  - c) Subsets can form subfields
  - d) Multiplication is optional

#### Module Theory

4. A module generalizes vector spaces by allowing:
  - a) Vectors to be replaced by scalars
  - b) Scalars to come from a ring instead of a field
  - c) Only integer coefficients
  - d) No addition operation

#### Galois Theory

5. The fundamental idea of Galois theory is to:
  - a) Solve systems of linear equations
  - b) Relate polynomial solvability to group symmetries
  - c) Compute eigenvalues
  - d) Analyze matrices only

#### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions are primarily used to:
  - a) Extend complex numbers to represent 3D rotations
  - b) Simplify addition of real numbers
  - c) Solve linear equations only
  - d) Replace scalar multiplication in vector spaces

#### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring is:
  - a) A combination of a group and a ring that forms a new algebraic structure
  - b) A set of matrices only

- c) A ring without addition
- d) A subgroup of a field

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Group representations allow:
- a) Abstract groups to be expressed as linear transformations or matrices
  - b) Solving polynomials
  - c) Counting elements without structure
  - d) Simplifying arithmetic only

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Matrix representations help in:
- a) Visualizing group symmetries and transformations in linear algebraic terms
  - b) Replacing all theoretical reasoning
  - c) Performing only arithmetic calculations
  - d) Ignoring group axioms

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which practice exemplifies contemporary teaching?
- a) Memorization of formulas without context
  - b) Using student-centered, interactive, and technology-assisted learning
  - c) Solely teacher-centered lectures
  - d) Standardized testing without feedback

## **Part II. Matching Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match each concept (1–5) with its correct description (A–E).

1. Flipped Classroom
2. Project-Based Learning (PjBL)
3. Formative Assessment
4. Computational Thinking
5. Interactive Learning

- A. Students apply pre-learned theory in class through activities and problem-solving.
- B. Students engage in real-world, complex projects as a central learning strategy.
- C. Continuous evaluation to provide feedback and guide learning.
- D. Structured, logical thinking to break problems into solvable steps.
- E. Learning approach that involves active participation, discussion, and collaboration.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** collaboration, applied practice, critical thinking, adaptive learning, simulations, engagement, problem-solving

1. Modern mathematics education emphasizes \_\_\_\_\_ tasks to develop higher-order reasoning.
2. Students improve \_\_\_\_\_ by participating in interactive group exercises.
3. The use of virtual labs and modeling illustrates learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Lessons that adjust to individual student progress demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_ strategies.
5. Hands-on activities in lectures foster \_\_\_\_\_ among learners.

6. Real-world exercises enhance \_\_\_\_\_ and analytical skills.
7. Active participation increases student \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Part IV. Comparative Tasks

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in terms of abstraction and practical application.
2. Compare **Ring Theory** and **Group Ring Theory**: discuss how combining structures increases algebraic flexibility.
3. Compare **Field Theory** and **Module Theory**: which aspects are generalized in modules?
4. Compare **Project-Based Learning** and **Flipped Classroom**: how do they foster engagement and understanding differently?

#### Part V. Analytical / Reflection Questions

1. Explain the importance of **group representation theory** for connecting abstract algebra with computational applications.
2. Discuss how **quaternions** are applied in physics, computer graphics, or robotics.
3. Analyze the impact of **digital tools and simulations** on learning complex algebraic concepts.
4. Reflect on how **Galois Theory** contributes to understanding the solvability of polynomial equations.

#### Part VI. Applied / Case Study

1. Design an activity that integrates **Field Theory** into a mixed-ability classroom using modern teaching methods.
2. Propose a collaborative exercise for **Group Theory** to promote problem-solving and reasoning.
3. Describe how **Matrix Representations of Groups** can be visualized and taught using interactive computational tools.
4. Suggest a practical scenario where **Project-Based Learning** can be applied to teaching algebra or informatics concepts.



## Variant 5

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which example best demonstrates the associative property in a group?
  - a) Changing the order of operations alters results
  - b) Group operations satisfy  $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$  for all elements
  - c) Only some operations are defined
  - d) Groups do not require an identity element

#### Ring Theory

2. Which statement describes a principal ideal domain?
  - a) Every ideal is generated by a single element
  - b) Multiplication is undefined
  - c) Rings cannot have additive inverses
  - d) Only finite sets qualify

#### Field Theory

3. Which property is necessary for a set to be a field?
  - a) Commutative and associative addition, commutative multiplication, distributive law, and multiplicative inverses for nonzero elements
  - b) Only associative addition
  - c) Multiplication may not be defined
  - d) Additive identity is optional

#### Module Theory

4. A key difference between modules and vector spaces is:
  - a) Modules allow scalars from arbitrary rings, not just fields
  - b) Modules do not include addition
  - c) Modules are always finite
  - d) Vectors must be integers

#### Galois Theory

5. Galois theory connects:
  - a) Graphs with polynomials
  - b) Polynomial solvability with symmetry groups of roots
  - c) Determinants with matrices
  - d) Linear equations with inequalities

#### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions extend complex numbers to:
  - a) Represent rotations in three and four dimensions
  - b) Solve linear equations only
  - c) Replace scalars in vector spaces exclusively
  - d) Simplify arithmetic operations

#### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring allows:
  - a) Combining elements of a group with coefficients from a ring to analyze algebraic properties

- b) Only scalar multiplication
- c) Counting elements in a set
- d) Replacing vector spaces

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. The primary function of group representation is:

- a) Expressing abstract group elements as matrices or linear transformations
- b) Solving polynomial roots
- c) Adding numbers only
- d) Enumerating finite sets

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Matrix representations are significant because:

- a) They provide a concrete framework for analyzing group actions linearly
- b) They eliminate the need for abstract algebra
- c) They compute arithmetic faster
- d) They replace theory entirely

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which approach exemplifies a contemporary teaching method?

- a) Passive lectures and rote memorization
- b) Student-centered instruction, interactive activities, and technology integration
- c) One-way teacher exposition only
- d) Exclusive reliance on written exams

## **Part II. Match the Concepts**

**Instructions:** Match each concept (1–5) with the correct description (A–E).

- 1. Flipped Classroom
- 2. Project-Based Learning (PBL)
- 3. Formative Assessment
- 4. Computational Thinking
- 5. Interactive Learning

- A. Students work on structured projects to solve real-world problems.
- B. Feedback is continuously used to improve learning outcomes.
- C. Pre-class preparation is applied in active classroom exercises.
- D. Systematic decomposition of problems into solvable steps using logic and algorithms.
- E. Learning environment that emphasizes discussion, collaboration, and hands-on activities.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** critical thinking, collaboration, engagement, applied practice, adaptive strategies, simulations, problem-solving

- 1. Active tasks in lectures develop students' \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
- 2. Team exercises encourage \_\_\_\_\_ and communication.
- 3. Using educational software supports learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Adjusting content and pace to student needs exemplifies \_\_\_\_\_ in teaching.
- 5. Real-life exercises emphasize \_\_\_\_\_ of abstract concepts.

6. Participation in interactive tasks increases student \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Lectures designed for analyzing and evaluating concepts cultivate \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Part IV. Comparative / Analytical Tasks**

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Ring Theory**: discuss structural complexity and practical applications.
2. Compare **Field Theory** and **Module Theory**: highlight generalizations and limitations.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in representing transformations.
4. Compare **Project-Based Learning** and **Flipped Classroom** in promoting student autonomy and deep understanding.

#### **Part V. Short Essays / Reflection**

1. Explain how **group representation theory** bridges abstract algebra with computational applications.
2. Discuss practical uses of **quaternions** in engineering, graphics, and robotics.
3. Reflect on the advantages of **interactive and technology-assisted teaching** in modern mathematics and informatics.
4. Evaluate the relevance of **Galois Theory** for understanding the solvability of polynomials.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Studies**

1. Design a lecture incorporating **Field Theory** with adaptive strategies for diverse student abilities.
2. Propose a collaborative activity based on **Group Theory** concepts to enhance reasoning and problem-solving.
3. Illustrate how **Matrix Representations of Groups** can be visualized using software or interactive simulations.
4. Suggest a hands-on project applying **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics** to abstract algebra topics.

# Variant 6

## Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

### Group Theory

1. Which of the following illustrates the existence of an identity element in a group?
  - a) An element that, when combined with any other, leaves it unchanged
  - b) A group with only two elements
  - c) The commutative property holds for all elements
  - d) Any operation can be defined arbitrarily

### Ring Theory

2. A distinguishing feature of a commutative ring is:
  - a) Addition is not defined
  - b) Multiplication is commutative for all elements
  - c) The ring must be finite
  - d) Multiplicative inverses are required for all elements

### Field Theory

3. Which statement correctly describes a field?
  - a) Only addition and subtraction are defined
  - b) Both operations are commutative, associative, distributive, and nonzero elements have multiplicative inverses
  - c) Scalars must be integers
  - d) Only finite sets are allowed

### Module Theory

4. How does a module differ from a vector space?
  - a) Scalars can be taken from a ring rather than a field
  - b) Modules do not allow addition of vectors
  - c) Modules cannot be infinite
  - d) Vectors are restricted to integers

### Galois Theory

5. What is the central concept of Galois theory?
  - a) Studying the roots of polynomials through the symmetry of field extensions
  - b) Solving linear equations
  - c) Counting elements in sets
  - d) Evaluating determinants

### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions are particularly useful for:
  - a) Representing rotations in 3D and 4D spaces
  - b) Simplifying addition of real numbers
  - c) Scalar multiplication only
  - d) Elementary arithmetic

### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring combines:
  - a) The structure of a group with coefficients from a ring to form an algebraic system

- b) Only matrices
- c) Counting elements
- d) Scalar multiplication alone

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. The purpose of group representation is to:
- a) Express abstract group elements as linear transformations or matrices
  - b) Solve polynomials
  - c) Simplify arithmetic
  - d) Enumerate group elements

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. The advantage of matrix representations is:
- a) They make abstract group actions tangible via linear algebra
  - b) They replace abstract algebra entirely
  - c) They compute only scalars
  - d) They simplify teaching trivially

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which strategy exemplifies contemporary pedagogical methods?
- a) Passive lectures with memorization
  - b) Student-centered, interactive, technology-assisted learning
  - c) Exclusive teacher-led presentations
  - d) Standardized testing without feedback

## **Part II. Match the Concepts**

**Instructions:** Connect each concept (1–5) to its correct description (A–E).

- 1. Flipped Classroom
- 2. Project-Based Learning (PBL)
- 3. Formative Assessment
- 4. Computational Thinking
- 5. Interactive Learning

- A. Students solve authentic problems collaboratively.
- B. Pre-class study is applied in active learning sessions.
- C. Provides ongoing feedback to guide student learning.
- D. Systematic approach to decompose and solve problems.
- E. Classroom environment emphasizes discussion, interaction, and participation.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** collaboration, applied practice, critical thinking, adaptive strategies, simulations, engagement, problem-solving

- 1. Effective lectures promote \_\_\_\_\_ among students.
- 2. Virtual tools and modeling foster learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Assignments that adjust to student ability illustrate \_\_\_\_\_ in teaching.
- 4. Group exercises develop \_\_\_\_\_ and communication skills.
- 5. Hands-on activities reinforce \_\_\_\_\_ of abstract concepts.

6. Active participation enhances student \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Complex tasks cultivate \_\_\_\_\_ and analytical reasoning.

#### **Part IV. Comparative / Analytical Tasks**

1. Compare **Group Theory** and **Group Ring Theory**: discuss abstraction and applicability.
2. Compare **Field Theory** and **Module Theory**: highlight generalizations and practical differences.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in representing transformations.
4. Compare **Flipped Classroom** and **Project-Based Learning** in promoting engagement, autonomy, and learning outcomes.

#### **Part V. Short Essays / Reflection**

1. Explain how **group representation theory** bridges abstract algebra and practical computation.
2. Discuss real-world applications of **quaternions** in graphics, robotics, or physics.
3. Analyze the role of **interactive and adaptive teaching methods** in mathematics and informatics.
4. Evaluate the contribution of **Galois Theory** to understanding polynomial solvability.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. Design an activity integrating **Field Theory** concepts for a mixed-ability classroom using modern teaching strategies.
2. Propose a collaborative task using **Group Theory** to enhance problem-solving skills.
3. Illustrate **Matrix Representations of Groups** using interactive software or simulations.
4. Suggest a practical project applying **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics** to abstract algebra topics.

# Variant 7

## Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

### Group Theory

1. Which property is crucial for a set and operation to form a group?
  - a) Existence of an identity element
  - b) Every element must be zero
  - c) Only addition is defined
  - d) Associativity is optional

### Ring Theory

2. In a ring, which of the following is true?
  - a) Multiplication is always commutative
  - b) Both addition and multiplication are defined and addition forms an abelian group
  - c) No identity is allowed
  - d) Rings cannot have substructures

### Field Theory

3. A field differs from a ring primarily because:
  - a) It requires every nonzero element to have a multiplicative inverse
  - b) Multiplication is not defined
  - c) Fields must be finite sets
  - d) Addition is optional

### Module Theory

4. Modules generalize vector spaces by allowing:
  - a) Scalars from arbitrary rings instead of only fields
  - b) Addition to be undefined
  - c) Vectors to be only integers
  - d) Multiplicative inverses for all elements

### Galois Theory

5. Galois theory is primarily concerned with:
  - a) The connection between the structure of groups and the solvability of polynomial equations
  - b) Calculating determinants
  - c) Summing sequences
  - d) Solving linear systems

### Quaternion Theory

6. Which statement about quaternions is correct?
  - a) They extend complex numbers to represent rotations in higher dimensions
  - b) They are strictly scalar numbers
  - c) They replace matrices in all contexts
  - d) They are one-dimensional

### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring is:
  - a) A combination of a ring and a group forming an algebraic structure
  - b) A set of only numbers

- c) A tool for counting elements
- d) Restricted to finite sets

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Group representation allows:
- a) Expressing abstract group elements as matrices or linear operators
  - b) Replacing all algebraic operations
  - c) Only addition of elements
  - d) Eliminating group axioms

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Why are matrix representations important in group theory?
- a) They provide concrete linear forms of abstract group operations
  - b) They are only used for computation
  - c) They replace abstract algebra entirely
  - d) They simplify arithmetic calculations

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which approach exemplifies modern mathematics teaching?
- a) Student-centered instruction with technology and interaction
  - b) One-way lectures only
  - c) Memorization without reasoning
  - d) Exams as the sole evaluation method

## **Part II. Match the Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match each term (1–5) to its correct description (A–E).

- 1. Interactive Learning
- 2. Formative Assessment
- 3. Project-Based Learning
- 4. Flipped Classroom
- 5. Computational Thinking

- A. Evaluating and improving student learning continuously.
- B. Classroom strategy emphasizing discussion, participation, and engagement.
- C. Problem-solving using decomposition and logical steps.
- D. Students work on complex projects with real-life applications.
- E. Pre-class preparation applied in active sessions.

## **Part III. Fill in the Blanks (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** critical thinking, collaboration, engagement, applied practice, adaptive methods, simulations, problem-solving

- 1. Real-world exercises enhance \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
- 2. Group tasks encourage \_\_\_\_\_ and teamwork.
- 3. Interactive models and software provide learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Adjusting lesson plans to student needs demonstrates \_\_\_\_\_ in teaching.
- 5. Hands-on activities reinforce \_\_\_\_\_ of theoretical concepts.
- 6. Active participation increases student \_\_\_\_\_.



7. Complex exercises develop \_\_\_\_\_ abilities.

#### **Part IV. Comparative Tasks**

1. Compare **Ring Theory** and **Field Theory** in terms of structure and element properties.
2. Compare **Module Theory** and **Vector Spaces** with regard to scalar flexibility and generality.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in handling transformations.
4. Compare **Flipped Classroom** and **Project-Based Learning** in fostering autonomy and engagement.

#### **Part V. Short Essays / Reflection**

1. Explain the role of **Group Representation Theory** in linking abstract algebra to computational applications.
2. Discuss how **Quaternions** are used in physics, engineering, and computer graphics.
3. Evaluate the impact of **interactive and technology-driven teaching methods** in mathematics education.
4. Describe the significance of **Galois Theory** in understanding polynomial equations.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. Design a lecture integrating **Field Theory** concepts using adaptive teaching strategies.
2. Develop a collaborative activity based on **Group Theory** to enhance reasoning skills.
3. Illustrate **Matrix Representations of Groups** using software simulations.
4. Suggest a teaching project applying **Modern Approaches in Mathematics and Informatics** to abstract algebra topics.

## Variant 8

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which of the following statements best characterizes a normal subgroup?
  - a) It is invariant under conjugation by elements of the group
  - b) It contains only the identity
  - c) It is any subset of the group
  - d) Its elements commute with every other element

#### Ring Theory

2. Which condition differentiates a unit in a ring?
  - a) It has a multiplicative inverse within the ring
  - b) It is zero
  - c) It does not interact with other elements
  - d) It is only additive

#### Field Theory

3. Which is a fundamental property of a field extension?
  - a) Every nonzero element of the extension has a multiplicative inverse
  - b) The extension is always finite
  - c) Addition is not required
  - d) Scalars are restricted to integers

#### Module Theory

4. A module over a ring allows:
  - a) Scalar multiplication using elements from a ring, not necessarily a field
  - b) Only integer vectors
  - c) Addition without scalar multiplication
  - d) Complete commutativity of all operations

#### Galois Theory

5. The Galois group of a polynomial:
  - a) Captures the symmetries of its roots
  - b) Measures the degree of a polynomial
  - c) Defines matrix representations
  - d) Counts elements in a set

#### Quaternion Theory

6. Quaternions differ from complex numbers because:
  - a) They have three distinct imaginary units
  - b) They are one-dimensional
  - c) They represent only scalars
  - d) They are strictly commutative

#### Group Ring Theory

7. A group ring is constructed by:
  - a) Combining a group with coefficients from a ring to form an algebraic system
  - b) Only enumerating group elements

- c) Ignoring ring properties
- d) Using matrices exclusively

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Which statement best describes a group representation?
- a) Abstract group elements correspond to linear transformations on vector spaces
  - b) It solves all algebraic equations
  - c) It only considers scalar operations
  - d) It replaces groups entirely

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Matrix representations allow:
- a) Visualization of group operations through linear algebra
  - b) Complete elimination of abstract algebra
  - c) Only scalar computations
  - d) Ignoring group axioms

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which practice reflects modern pedagogy in STEM education?
- a) Encouraging collaborative, problem-based, and technology-assisted learning
  - b) One-way lectures with memorization
  - c) Teacher-centered instruction without feedback
  - d) Rigid testing as the sole assessment

## **Part II. Match the Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match each concept (1–5) with its definition (A–E).

- 1. Adaptive Learning
- 2. Peer Instruction
- 3. Inquiry-Based Learning
- 4. Flipped Classroom
- 5. Blended Learning

- A. Students learn online and in-class activities are interactive.
- B. Instruction responds to individual student needs dynamically.
- C. Students teach and discuss topics among peers.
- D. Learning starts with questioning and problem exploration.
- E. Pre-class preparation applied to in-class active work.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** collaboration, reasoning, engagement, simulations, problem-solving, analysis, practical application

- 1. Group exercises enhance \_\_\_\_\_ among students.
- 2. Complex problems develop analytical \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
- 3. Interactive models and software encourage learning through \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Applying abstract concepts to projects promotes \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5. Active participation fosters student \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Assignments requiring logical argumentation strengthen \_\_\_\_\_.

7. Real-world exercises improve \_\_\_\_\_ of theoretical knowledge.

#### **Part IV. Comparative / Analytical Tasks**

1. Compare **Galois Theory** and **Field Theory** in terms of abstraction and practical applications.
2. Compare **Group Representation Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in how they make abstract structures concrete.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Matrix Representations** in modeling transformations and rotations.
4. Compare **Inquiry-Based Learning** and **Flipped Classroom** approaches in fostering independent thinking and engagement.

#### **Part V. Short Essays / Reflection**

1. Discuss how **Ring Theory** and **Group Ring Theory** complement each other in algebraic research.
2. Explain the significance of **Quaternions** in physics, engineering, or computer graphics.
3. Analyze the role of **interactive teaching and adaptive strategies** in improving student outcomes in mathematics and informatics.
4. Explain the connection between **Galois Theory** and solvability of polynomials.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. Propose a classroom activity that uses **Field Theory** concepts to enhance understanding via interactive simulations.
2. Design a group exercise applying **Group Theory** to solve abstract algebra problems collaboratively.
3. Suggest a way to visualize **Matrix Representations of Groups** using software or virtual tools.
4. Create a mini-project integrating **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics** for teaching abstract algebra topics.

## Variant 9

### Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

#### Group Theory

1. Which statement best describes a subgroup?
  - a) A subset of a group closed under the group operation and inverses
  - b) Any set of elements chosen randomly from the group
  - c) Only the identity element
  - d) A set where elements commute with all group members

#### Ring Theory

2. In a ring, which property is not necessarily required?
  - a) Commutativity of multiplication
  - b) Associativity of addition
  - c) Existence of an additive identity
  - d) Closure under multiplication

#### Field Theory

3. A finite field is distinguished from a general ring because:
  - a) Every nonzero element has a multiplicative inverse
  - b) Addition is optional
  - c) Multiplication is not defined
  - d) Elements cannot be integers

#### Module Theory

4. Which feature distinguishes a module from a vector space?
  - a) Scalars come from a ring rather than necessarily a field
  - b) Modules cannot have zero elements
  - c) Addition is undefined
  - d) Multiplicative inverses exist for all elements

#### Galois Theory

5. Galois theory connects:
  - a) Polynomial roots with group symmetries
  - b) Vector spaces with matrices
  - c) Ring elements with matrices
  - d) Linear equations only

#### Quaternion Theory

6. A key feature of quaternions is:
  - a) Non-commutativity of multiplication
  - b) Scalars only
  - c) Two imaginary units
  - d) One-dimensionality

#### Group Ring Theory

7. The combination of a group and a ring results in:
  - a) A group ring with additive and multiplicative structure
  - b) A simple matrix

- c) A set of scalars only
- d) A vector space

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Representations of groups are useful because they:
- a) Translate abstract group elements into linear transformations
  - b) Replace rings entirely
  - c) Solve differential equations
  - d) Only apply to finite groups

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Matrix representations help to:
- a) Express abstract group operations concretely for computation
  - b) Avoid abstract algebra entirely
  - c) Represent only scalars
  - d) Eliminate the need for proofs

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which strategy is considered innovative in modern pedagogy?
- a) Using technology, collaboration, and student-centered approaches
  - b) Purely lecture-based, teacher-centered instruction
  - c) Memorization without reasoning
  - d) Only summative testing

## **Part II. Match the Terms**

**Instructions:** Match the terms (1–5) with their correct definitions (A–E).

- 1. Problem-Based Learning
- 2. Adaptive Technology
- 3. Collaborative Learning
- 4. Gamification
- 5. Reflective Practice

- A. Students engage in solving real-world, complex problems.
- B. Feedback and adaptation based on student progress.
- C. Students work in groups to enhance understanding.
- D. Using game elements to motivate and structure learning.
- E. Systematic analysis of one's own teaching and learning.

## **Part III. Fill in the Blanks (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** analysis, synthesis, abstraction, reasoning, engagement, interactivity, modeling

- 1. Exercises that require drawing conclusions promote \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Applying algebraic concepts to new contexts develops \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Interactive software and simulations increase student \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Comparing different algebraic structures encourages \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
- 5. Understanding high-level concepts requires \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Designing new solutions from known principles enhances \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. Using visual tools and simulations encourages conceptual \_\_\_\_\_.

## Part IV. Comparative Tasks

1. Compare **Field Theory** and **Ring Theory** in terms of element properties and operations.
2. Compare **Group Representation Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** regarding abstraction and application.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Group Theory** in describing transformations.
4. Compare **Collaborative Learning** and **Flipped Classroom** in fostering student engagement and critical thinking.

## Part V. Short Essays / Reflection

1. Explain the significance of **Galois Theory** for understanding polynomial solvability.
2. Discuss how **Quaternions** are applied in 3D rotations and computer graphics.
3. Reflect on the advantages of **interactive and technology-assisted teaching methods** in mathematics education.
4. Evaluate how **Module Theory** generalizes vector spaces and why this is important in algebra.

## Part VI. Applied / Case Study

1. Propose a learning activity using **Group Theory** to encourage collaborative reasoning.
2. Develop a classroom exercise applying **Ring Theory** and **Field Theory** concepts in real-world contexts.
3. Suggest a project illustrating **Matrix Representations of Groups** using computational tools.
4. Design a lesson plan integrating **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics** to teach abstract algebra effectively.

# Variant 10

## Part I. Multiple-Choice Questions

### Group Theory

1. Which of the following best describes a simple group?
  - a) A group with no nontrivial normal subgroups
  - b) A group where all elements commute
  - c) Any finite group
  - d) A group consisting only of identity

### Ring Theory

2. Which statement about ideals in a ring is correct?
  - a) An ideal absorbs multiplication by ring elements
  - b) Ideals must be finite sets
  - c) All ideals are fields
  - d) Ideals are subsets closed only under addition

### Field Theory

3. Which condition is essential for a set with two operations to form a field?
  - a) Multiplicative inverses exist for all nonzero elements
  - b) Commutativity of addition is optional
  - c) Multiplication must be associative only for integers
  - d) Only additive inverses are required

### Module Theory

4. A distinguishing feature of modules is:
  - a) They generalize vector spaces using a ring instead of a field
  - b) They require scalars from a field only
  - c) They cannot have substructures
  - d) Multiplication is always commutative

### Galois Theory

5. Which is a primary application of Galois Theory?
  - a) Determining the solvability of polynomials by radicals
  - b) Representing groups as matrices
  - c) Defining vector spaces
  - d) Constructing rings from groups

### Quaternion Theory

6. What is a fundamental property of quaternions?
  - a) Multiplication is non-commutative
  - b) They have only one imaginary unit
  - c) They are one-dimensional
  - d) Addition is undefined



### **Group Ring Theory**

7. Which of the following best defines a group ring?

- a) A combination of group elements and ring coefficients forming an algebraic structure
- b) Only a collection of matrices
- c) A field of scalars
- d) A commutative vector space

### **Group Representation Theory**

8. Why are group representations important?

- a) They translate abstract group elements into linear transformations on vector spaces
- b) They replace rings entirely
- c) They solve algebraic equations automatically
- d) They apply only to finite fields

### **Matrix Representations of Groups**

9. Which is a main advantage of using matrix representations?

- a) They allow concrete computation and visualization of group actions
- b) They eliminate the need for group axioms
- c) They apply only to additive operations
- d) They restrict the study of algebra to finite cases

### **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics**

10. Which approach is characteristic of modern pedagogy in mathematics?

- a) Combining collaboration, inquiry, and technology-assisted learning
- b) Purely lecture-based memorization
- c) Teacher-centered instruction without interaction
- d) Only summative assessment

## **Part II. Match the Definitions**

**Instructions:** Match the terms (1–5) with their definitions (A–E).

- 1. Cognitive Load Theory
- 2. Project-Based Learning
- 3. Socratic Method
- 4. Peer Assessment
- 5. Blended Learning

- A. Students combine online and face-to-face learning environments.
- B. Evaluations are conducted by students themselves for their peers.
- C. Teaching by asking guiding questions to stimulate critical thinking.
- D. Designing activities where learners create tangible outputs over time.
- E. Managing the mental effort required for learning complex tasks.

## **Part III. Fill in the Gaps (Word Bank)**

**Word Bank:** abstraction, interaction, analysis, synthesis, reasoning, collaboration, visualization

- 1. Comparing different algebraic structures promotes \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Hands-on activities with software encourage student \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Combining concepts from multiple theories develops \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
4. Solving complex problems strengthens logical \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Working in groups improves \_\_\_\_\_ among learners.
6. Graphical representation of algebraic objects enhances \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Understanding high-level concepts requires \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Part IV. Comparative / Analytical Tasks**

1. Compare **Field Theory** and **Ring Theory** in terms of element inverses and structure complexity.
2. Compare **Group Representation Theory** and **Matrix Representations of Groups** in how they enable concrete computations.
3. Compare **Quaternion Theory** and **Group Theory** for applications in rotations and transformations.
4. Compare **Project-Based Learning** and **Inquiry-Based Learning** in fostering student autonomy and problem-solving skills.

#### **Part V. Short Essays / Reflection**

1. Explain how **Galois Theory** helps understand the solvability of polynomials.
2. Discuss practical applications of **Quaternions** in engineering, physics, or computer graphics.
3. Reflect on the advantages of **collaborative and technology-assisted teaching** in mathematics and informatics.
4. Analyze how **Module Theory** generalizes vector spaces and its significance in algebraic research.

#### **Part VI. Applied / Case Study**

1. Design a classroom exercise applying **Group Theory** to collaborative problem-solving.
2. Propose a project integrating **Ring Theory** and **Field Theory** for real-world applications.
3. Suggest a way to illustrate **Matrix Representations of Groups** using computational or visualization tools.
4. Create a lesson plan employing **Modern Approaches in Teaching Mathematics and Informatics** to teach abstract algebra effectively.

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