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MATHEMATICS

(Honours Elective)

Answer the Questions from any one Option.

OPTION-A

Paper : MAT-HE-5016

(Number Theory)

DSE (H)-1

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

PART-A

1. Choose the correct option : $1 \times 10 = 10$
- (i) Two integers a and b are coprime if there exists some integers x, y such that
- (a) $ax + by = 1$

Contd.

- (b) $ax - by = 1$
- (c) $(ax + by)^n = 1$
- (d) None of the above

(ii) Let $d = \gcd(a, b)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If $d \mid c$ and (x_0, y_0) is a solution of linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = c$, then all integral solutions are given by

(a) $(x, y) = \left(x_0 + \frac{bn}{d}, y_0 - \frac{an}{d} \right)$

(b) $(x, y) = \left(x_0 - \frac{bn}{d}, y_0 + \frac{an}{d} \right)$

(c) $(x, y) = \left(x_0 + \frac{an}{d}, y_0 - \frac{bn}{d} \right)$

(d) $(x, y) = \left(x_0 - \frac{an}{d}, y_0 + \frac{bn}{d} \right)$

(iii) A reduced residue system modulo m is a set of integers r_i such that

(a) $[r_i, m] = 1$

(b) $(r_i, m) = 1$

(c) $(r_i, m) \neq 1$

(d) None of the above

(iv) Suppose that m_j are pairwise relatively prime and a_j are arbitrary integers ($j = 1, 2, \dots, k$) then there exist solution x to the simultaneous congruence $x \equiv a_j \pmod{m_j}$, such that x are

(a) congruent modulo

$$M = m_1 \cdot m_2 \cdot m_3 \dots m_k$$

(b) congruent modulo $M = \sum_{j=1}^k m_j$

(c) congruent modulo m_i

(d) Both (a) and (b)

(v) The product of four consecutive positive integers is divisible by

(a) 20

(b) 22

(c) 24

(d) 26

(vi) Euler's ϕ -function of a prime number p , i.e., $\phi(p)$ is

(a) p

(b) $p-1$

(c) $\frac{p}{2} - 1$

(d) None of the above

(vii) For which value of m ,
 $CRS \pmod{m} = RRS \pmod{m}$?

- (a) If m is a prime
- (b) If m is a composite
- (c) If $m < 10$
- (d) None of the above

(viii) If $ca \equiv cb \pmod{m}$, then

(a) $a \equiv b \left(\text{mod} \frac{m}{(c, m)} \right)$

(b) $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$

(c) $a \equiv b \pmod{m \cdot (c, m)}$

(d) None of the above

(ix) The unit place digit of 2^{73} is

(a) 4

(b) 6

(c) 8

(d) 2

2. Answer the following questions :

2×5=10

(a) If p is a prime, then prove that

$$\phi(p!) = (p-1) \phi((p-1)!) \quad 2$$

(b) Find all prime number p such that

$$p^2 + 2 \text{ is also a prime.} \quad 2$$

(c) For $n = p^k$, p is a prime, prove that

$$n = \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)$$

where $\sum_{d|n}$ denotes the sum over all

positive divisors of n . 2

(d) Find the number of zeros at the end of the product of first 100 natural numbers. 2

(e) Find $\sigma(12)$. 2

3. Answer **any four** questions :

5×4=20

(a) If ϕ is Euler's phi function, then find

$$\phi(\phi(1001)). \quad 5$$

- (b) Find the remainder, when 30^{40} is divided by 17. 5
- (c) State and prove Chinese Remainder Theorem. 5
- (d) If p_n is the n th prime number, then prove that

$$p_n < 2^{2^{n-1}} \quad 5$$

- (e) If $n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} p_3^{k_3} \dots p_r^{k_r}$ is the prime factorization of $n > 1$, then prove that

(i) $\tau(n) = (k_1 + 1)(k_2 + 1)(k_3 + 1) \dots (k_r + 1)$

(ii) $\sigma(n) = \frac{p_1^{k_1+1} - 1}{p_1 - 1} \times \frac{p_2^{k_2+1} - 1}{p_2 - 1} \times \dots \times \frac{p_r^{k_r+1} - 1}{p_r - 1}$

$$2^{1/2} + 2^{1/2} = 5$$

- (f) Define Mobius function. Also show that

$$\mu(m \cdot n) = \mu(m) \cdot \mu(n)$$

Hence find $\mu(6)$.

$$1 + 3 + 1 = 5$$

PART-B

Answer **any four** questions :

$$10 \times 4 = 40$$

4. (a) If $d = (a, n)$, prove that the linear congruence $ax \equiv b \pmod{n}$ has a solution if and only if $d \mid b$. 5

- (b) (i) When a number n is divided by 3 it leaves remainder 2. Find the remainder when $3n + 6$ is divided by 3. 2
- (ii) Prove that $5n + 3$ and $7n + 4$ are coprime to each other for any natural number n . 3
5. (a) If p is a prime, then prove that

$$(p-1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$$
 5
- (b) Using property of congruence show that 41 divides $2^{20} - 1$. 5
6. (a) Prove that every positive integer ($n > 1$) can be expressed uniquely as a product of primes. 5
- (b) Determine all solutions in the integers of the Diophantine equation

$$172x + 20y = 1000$$
 5
7. (a) If n be any positive integer and can be expressed as $n = p_1^{\alpha_1} \cdot p_2^{\alpha_2} \dots p_k^{\alpha_k}$, then
 prove that
$$\phi(n) = n \prod_{j=1}^k \left(1 - \frac{1}{p_j}\right)$$
 5

- (b) If m and n are any two integers such that $(m, n) = 1$, prove that
- $$\phi(m.n) = \phi(m). \phi(n). \quad 5$$

8. (a) For each positive integer $n \geq 1$, show that

$$\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n = 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases} \quad 5$$

- (b) If k denotes the number of distinct prime factors of positive integer n , then prove that

$$\sum_{d|n} |\mu(d)| = 2^k \quad 5$$

9. (a) Show that $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \tau(d) = (-1)^k$

where k denotes the number of distinct prime factors of positive integers n .

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- (b) Prove that

- (i) $\tau(n)$ is an odd integer iff n is a perfect square.

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(ii) For any integer $n \geq 3$, show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \mu(k!) = 1. \quad 2$$

10. (a) Let p be an odd prime. Show that the congruence $x^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ has a solution if and only if $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

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(b) If $n \geq 1$ and $\gcd(a, n) = 1$, then prove that $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$.

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11. (a) If n is a positive integer and p is a prime, then prove that the exponent of the highest power of p that divides $n!$

is $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{n}{p^k} \right]$. 5

(b) Solve $3[x] = x + 2\{x\}$ where $[x]$ denotes greatest integer $\leq x$ and $\{x\}$ denotes the fractional part of x . 5