

3 (Sem-5/CBCS) MAT HE 1/HE 2/HE 3

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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)  $ax + by = 1$

(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  $\phi$ -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  $m$ ,  $\text{CRS} \pmod{m} = \text{RRS} \pmod{m}$  ?

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

(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

(x) The highest power of 7 that divides 50! is

(a) 7

(b) 8

(c) 10

(d) 5

2. Answer the following questions : 2×5=10

(a) If  $p$  is a prime, then prove that  
 $\phi(p!) = (p-1)\phi((p-1)!)$  2

(b) Find all prime number  $p$  such that  
 $p^2 + 2$  is also a prime. 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  $\phi$  is Euler's phi function, then find  
 $\phi(\phi(1001))$ . 5

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(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  
 $p_n < 2^{2^{n-1}}$  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)  $\sigma(n) = \frac{p_1^{k_1+1} - 1}{p_1 - 1} \times \frac{p_2^{k_2+1} - 1}{p_2 - 1} \times \dots \times \frac{p_r^{k_r+1} - 1}{p_r - 1}$

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(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 : 10×4=40

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

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(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  $n = p_1^{a_1} \cdot p_2^{a_2} \dots p_k^{a_k}$ , 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  $\phi(m \cdot n) = \phi(m) \cdot \phi(n)$ . 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  $n$ . 5

(b) Prove that

(i)  $\tau(n)$  is an odd integer iff  $n$  is a perfect square. 3

(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  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

(b) If  $n \geq 1$  and  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ , then prove that  $a^{\phi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$ . 5

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