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Mathematics

(3003 - Number Theory 1)

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[Total Marks : 70

Instructions :

- (1) Attempt any five questions from the following.
- (2) There are total ten questions.
- (3) Each question carries equal marks.

1 Answer the following : 14

- (a) Find the number of solutions of $x^{48} \equiv 9 \pmod{17}$ if exists.
- (b) Find $\sigma(307)$ and $\tau(19610)$.
- (c) Prove that, for any two non-zero integers x and $y \exists a$ and b such that $ax + by = 1$.
- (d) Define Euler's function for a positive integer m and write down the value of $\phi(139)$.
- (e) State, Euclid's Algorithm and verify it by an example.
- (f) Define Prime numbers and also give at least four prime numbers more than 155.
- (g) For three integers a, b and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, prove that, if $a | b$ then $a^n | b^n$.

2 Answer the following : 14

- (a) Define L.c.m. with an example and prove that for $a, b \neq 0$ and $m > 0$ $m[a, b] = [ma, mb]$.

- (b) Using standard notation prove that, $\left[\frac{x}{m} \right] = \left[\frac{[x]}{m} \right]$ for any $x \in R$ and $m \geq 1$ be any integer.
- (c) Find the number of solutions of $x^{12} \equiv 16 \pmod{17}$.
- (d) Define : (i) Reduced Residue System and (ii) Solution of Congruence Equation.
- (e) Is it always true that if $x|y$ then $x|ty$ for any $t \in Z$. Justify your answer.
- (f) Show that, if $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Rightarrow (a,m) = (b,m)$.
- (g) Find the highest power of 61 which divide 38401!.

3 Answer the following : **14**

- (a) Prove that, if p is a prime number then p^2 has exactly $(p-1)\phi(p-1)$ primitive roots in $(\text{mod } p^2)$. 7
- (b) Find the solutions of the congruence equation $x^4 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{15}$ using Chinese Remainder Theorem. 7

4 Answer the following : **14**

- (a) For any odd number g prove that 2^α has no primitive roots for $\alpha \geq 3$. 7
- (b) (i) If p is a prime number of the form $4k+3$ and $p|a^2+b^2$ then $p|a$ and $p|b$ for some $a,b \in Z$. 4
- (ii) Show that, for a prime number p of the form $4k+3$, p cannot be expressed as a sum of squares of two integers. 3

- 5 Answer the following : 14
- (a) (i) State, Fermat's Theorem. 2
- (ii) Find a solution of $x^{11} \equiv 5 \pmod{2^5}$ if exists. 5
- (b) (i) State and prove, Mobius Inversion Formulae. 5
- (ii) Prove that, $\sigma(n)$ is a multiplicative function. 2
- 6 Answer the following : 14
- (a) State and Prove, Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic. 7
- (b) Let, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$ and $m \geq 1$ If $g = \gcd(a, m)$ then the congruence equation $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$ has a solution if and only if $g | b$. 7
- 7 Answer the following : 14
- (a) State, Wilson's Theorem and also verify the theorem for prime number 13. 7
- (b) Prove that, there are infinitely many prime numbers. 7
- 8 Answer the following : 14
- (a) State and prove, Hansel's Lemma. 7
- (b) If $\alpha \geq 3$ be any integer then prove that the set 7
- $$S = \{5, 5^2, 5^3, \dots, 5^{2^{\alpha-2}}\} \cup \{-5, -5^2, -5^3, \dots, -5^{2^{\alpha-2}}\}$$
- is a reduced residue system $\pmod{2^\alpha}$.
- 9 Answer the following : 14
- (a) (i) If g is a primitive root of m then show that the set 5
- $$S = \{1, g, g^2, \dots, g^{\phi(m)-1}\}$$
- is a reduced residue system \pmod{m} .
- (ii) Prove that, for any odd number $a, 8 | a^2 - 1$. 2

- (b) For a prime number p and $n \geq 1$ with $p \nmid a$ then show 7
 that either $x^n \equiv a \pmod{p}$ has no solution or there are
 $(n, p-1)$ solutions in any C.R.S. \pmod{p} .

10 Answer the following : **14**

- (a) Suppose $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ has degree n then prove that 7
 the n number of solutions in any C.R.S. \pmod{m} is $\leq n$.

- (b) If $m, m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k \geq 1$ are integers with 7
 $m = m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_k$ then prove that

$$\frac{m!}{m_1! \cdot m_2! \cdot \dots \cdot m_k!} \text{ is an integer.}$$
