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63/2 (SEM-3) MAT 303

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**MATHEMATICS**

(Theory Paper)

Paper Code : MAT-303

(Number Theory)

Full Marks – 80

Time – Three hours

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

1. Answer any *four* of the following questions :  
5×4=20

(a) Explain and verify Euclid's Algorithm.

(b) "If  $a$  and  $b$  are two integers not both zero then there exists integers  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $\gcd(a,b) = ax + by$ ." Prove it.

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(c) State and prove fundamental theorem of Arithmetic.

(d) Solve the system of linear congruence :

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}; x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}; x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}.$$

(e) Find the general solution of  $39x - 56y = 11$ .

(f) If  $a_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the Fibonacci

sequence and  $\alpha = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$  then show that

$$a_n > \alpha^{n-1}, \forall n > 1.$$

2. Answer any *four* of the following questions :

$$5 \times 4 = 20$$

(a) Every even perfect number is of the form  $2^{k-1}(2^k - 1)$ ; where  $(2^k - 1)$  is prime.

(b) Every even perfect number  $n = 2^{k-1}[2^k - 1]$  is the sum of first  $2^{(k-1)/2}$  odd cubes.

(c) State and prove Fermat's Little theorem.

(d) If  $p$  and  $q$  are two distinct primes such that  $a^p \equiv a \pmod{q}$  and  $a^q \equiv a \pmod{p}$  then show that  $a^{pq} \equiv a \pmod{pq}$ . Also, verify it.

(e) "Fermat numbers are relatively prime", establish it.

(f) Prove that : if  $p > 2$  is a prime then any prime divisor of Mersene prime,  $M_p$  must be of the form  $2kp + 1$ .

3. Answer any *four* of the following questions :  
 $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) Define Mobius function. Show that it is multiplicative.

(b) If  $n$  has  $k$  distinct prime factors and its divisors are arranged in an ascending order as  $d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_m$  then show that :

$$|\mu(d_1)| + |\mu(d_2)| + \dots + |\mu(d_m)| = 2^k.$$

(c) Prove that :  $\sum_{d|n} \phi(d) = n$ .

(d) Explain complete residue system with example.

(e) Show that the set of integers  $\{1, 5, 7, 11\}$  is a RRS (mod 12). (RRS : Reduced Residue System)

- (f) Prove that  $\sum_{d|n} (-1)^d \phi(d) = n - 2m$ ,  $m$  is the largest odd integer.

4. Answer any *four* of the following questions :  
 $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) State and prove Euler's Criterion.

(b) Solve the congruence :  $5x^2 - 6x + 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{13}$ .

(c) State and prove Gauss Lemma.

(d) Show that the congruence,  $x^2 \equiv 105 \pmod{199}$  has no solution.

(e) Show that Jacobi symbol,  $\left(\frac{2}{p}\right) = (-1)^{(p^2-1)/8}$

(f) Prove that, there is exactly  $\frac{p-1}{2}$  quadratic residue and  $\frac{p-1}{2}$  quadratic non residue mod  $p$ .