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III Semester M.Sc. Degree (CBSS - Reg./Sup./Imp.)
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(2019 Admission Onwards)
MATHEMATICS
MAT3C11 : Number Theory

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART - A

Answer **any four** questions from Part A. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

1. Prove that the infinite series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/p_n$ diverges.
2. State and prove Euclid's lemma.
3. If f is multiplicative then prove that $f(1) = 1$.
4. Assume that $(a, m) = d$. Then prove that the linear congruence $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$ has solutions if and only if $d|b$.
5. Determine whether 219 is a quadratic residue or non residue mod 383.
6. Prove that an algebraic number α is an algebraic integer if and only if its minimum polynomial over \mathbb{Q} has coefficients in \mathbb{Z} .

PART - B

Answer **any four** questions from Part B **not** omitting **any** Unit. **Each** question carries **16** marks.

Unit - 1

7. a) State and prove the division algorithm.
b) Prove that every integer $n > 1$ is either a prime number or a product of prime numbers.

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8. a) If $n \geq 1$, then Prove that $\phi(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \frac{n}{d}$.
- b) Assume f is multiplicative. Prove that $f^{-1}(n) = \mu(n) f(n)$ for every square free n .
9. a) State and prove Lagrange's theorem.
- b) Solve the congruence $5x \equiv 3 \pmod{24}$.

Unit – 2

10. a) Prove that the Legendre' symbol $(n|p)$ is a completely multiplicative function of n .
- b) State and prove quadratic reciprocity law.
11. a) Let $(a, m) = 1$. Then prove that if a is a primitive root mod m if and only if the numbers $a, a^2, \dots, a^{\phi(m)}$ form a reduced residue system mod m .
- b) If p is an odd prime and $\alpha \geq 1$ then prove that there exist an odd primitive roots g modulo p^α and each such g is also a primitive root modulo $2p^\alpha$.
12. a) Write in detail any one application of primitive roots in cryptography.
- b) Solve the superincreasing knapsack problem.

$$28 = 3x_1 + 5x_2 + 11x_3 + 20x_4 + 41x_5$$

Unit – 3

13. a) -Prove that every subgroup H of a free abelian group G of rank n is free of rank $s \leq n$. Moreover there exist a basis u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n of G and positive integers $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_s$ such that, $\alpha_1 u_1, \alpha_2 u_2, \dots, \alpha_s u_s$ is a basis for H .
- b) Let G be a free abelian group of rank n with basis $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. Suppose (a_{ij}) is an $n \times n$ matrix with integer entries. Then prove that the elements $y_i = \sum_j a_{ij} x_j$ form a basis of G if and only if (a_{ij}) is unimodular.



14. a) Suppose $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\} \in D$ form a \mathbb{Q} -basis for K . Then prove that if $\Delta[\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n]$ is square free then $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$ is an integral basis.
- b) Prove that every number field K possess an integral basis and the additive group of D is free abelian group of rank n equal to the degree of K .
15. a) Let d be a square free rational integer. Then prove that the integers of $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$ are
- a) $\mathbb{Z}[\sqrt{d}]$ if $d \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$
- b) $\mathbb{Z}\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{d}\right]$ if $d \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.
- b) Prove that the minimum polynomial of $\zeta = e^{2\pi i/p}$, p an odd prime, over \mathbb{Q} is $f(t) = t^{p-1} + t^{p-2} + \dots + t + 1$ and the degree of $\mathbb{Q}(\zeta)$ is $p - 1$.