

**M. Sc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCT/NOV 2020: JAN 2021****SEMESTER 3 : MATHEMATICS****COURSE : 16P3MATT15 : NUMBER THEORY***(For Regular - 2019 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017/2018 Admissions)*

Time : Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

**PART A****Answer all (1.5 marks each)**

1. Prove that  $\varphi(n)$  is even for  $n \geq 3$
2. Suppose that the set  $\mathcal{F}$  of all arithmetical functions is closed under Dirichlet multiplication. Prove that there is an identity element in  $\mathcal{F}$ .
3. Assume  $(a, m) = d$ . Prove that the linear congruence  $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$  has solutions, if and only if,  $d|b$ .
4. Let  $(a, m) = 1$ . Prove that  $ax \equiv b \pmod{m} \implies x \equiv ba^{\varphi(m)-1} \pmod{m}$ .
5. Define proper factorization in a commutative ring with unity.
6. Let  $D$  be a domain. Prove that any two units are associates and any associate of a unit is a unit.
7. Let  $D$  be a domain and  $x$  and  $y$  non-zero elements of  $D$ . Prove that  $x$  is irreducible if and only if  $\langle x \rangle$  is maximal among the proper principal ideals of  $D$ .
8. If  $\mathfrak{a} \neq 0$  is an ideal of  $\mathfrak{D}$  with  $N(\mathfrak{a})$  is prime, prove that  $\mathfrak{a}$  is prime.
9. Prove that every non-zero ideal of  $\mathfrak{D}$  has a finite number of divisors.
10. Prove that  $\mathbb{R}[x, y]/\langle x \rangle$  is isomorphic(as rings) to  $\mathbb{R}[y]$ .

**(1.5 x 10 = 15)****PART B****Answer any 4 (5 marks each)**

11. Prove that two lattice points  $(a, b)$  and  $(m, n)$  are mutually visible if, and only if,  $a - m$  and  $b - n$  are relatively prime.
12. Prove that the set of lattice points visible from the origin has density  $6/\pi^2$
13. Prove that for all  $x \geq 1$ ,  $\sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_1(n) = \frac{1}{2}\zeta(2)x^2 + O(x \log x)$ .
14. Prove that for  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{6}n \log n < p_n < 12 \left( n \log n + n \log \left( \frac{12}{e} \right) \right)$  where  $p_n$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  prime.
15. Prove that the units  $U(R)$  of a commutative ring  $R$  with unity form a group under multiplication.
16. Prove that every non zero prime ideal of  $\mathfrak{D}$  is maximal.

**(5 x 4 = 20)**

**PART C**

**Answer any 4 (10 marks each)**

- 17.1. Prove that if  $x \geq 1$  and  $\alpha > 0, \alpha \neq 1$   $\sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_\alpha(n) = \frac{\zeta(\alpha + 1)}{\alpha + 1} x^{\alpha+1} + O(x^\beta)$  where  $\beta = \max\{1, \alpha\}$ .

**OR**

2. Prove that  $\sum_{p \leq x} \left[ \frac{x}{p} \right] \log p = x \log x + O(x)$  for  $x \geq 2$  where the sum is extended over all primes  $\leq x$ .

- 18.1. 1. Prove the converse of Wilson's theorem.  
2. Find all positive integers  $n$  for which  $(n - 1)! + 1$  is a power of  $n$ .

**OR**

2. If  $p$  is odd,  $p > 1$ , prove that

$$1. 1^2 3^2 5^2 \dots (p-2)^2 = (-1)^{(p+1)/2} \pmod{p}$$
$$2. 2^2 4^2 6^2 \dots (p-1)^2 = (-1)^{(p+1)/2} \pmod{p}.$$

- 19.1. Prove that a prime in a domain  $D$  is always irreducible. Is converse true? Justify.

**OR**

2. Define Euclidean quadratic Field. Prove that the ring of integers  $\mathfrak{D}$  of  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  is Euclidean for  $d = -2, -11$ .

- 20.1. Prove that the non-zero fractional ideals of  $\mathfrak{D}$  form an abelian group under multiplication.

**OR**

Prove that every non-zero ideal of  $\mathfrak{D}$  can be written as a product of prime ideals, uniquely

2. up to order of the factors.

**(10 x 4 = 40)**