

Sixth Semester B.Sc. Degree Examination, September 2020

(CBCS Scheme)

Mathematics

Paper 6.2(a) – NUMBER THEORY

Time : 3 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 90

Instructions to Candidates : Answer all the questions.

PART – A

I. Answer any **SIX** of the following : (6 × 2 = 12)

1. If a/b and 'x' is any integer then prove that a/bx .
2. Find whether the number 853 is prime or not.
3. Define the Linear Diophantine equation. Give an example.
4. If $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ and 'n' is any positive integer, then prove that $a^n \equiv b^n \pmod{m}$.
5. Define pseudo prime. Give an example.
6. Find the highest power of 3 contained in $40!$.
7. Evaluate τ and σ for $n = 3000$.

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PART – B

II. Answer any **SIX** of the following : (6 × 3 = 18)

8. If $(a, b) = 1$ and $(a, c) = 1$, then prove that $(a, bc) = 1$.
9. If 'a' and 'c' are relatively prime and a/bc , then prove that a/b .
10. Prove that $3^{2n} + 7$ is a multiple of 8.
11. Find the digit in the unit place of the number 3^{127} .

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12. Solve $36x + 12 \equiv 0 \pmod{15}$.
13. For any positive integer 'n', prove that $\phi(n) = n - 1$ if and only if 'n' is a prime.
14. Prove that the sum of the positive integers less than n and relatively prime to 'n' is equal to $\frac{1}{2}n\phi(n)$.

PART – C

III. Answer any **FOUR** of the following :

(4 × 5 = 20)

15. Find $(506, 1155)$ and express it in the form $506m + 1155n$.
16. Prove that the smallest divisor (>1) of an integer (>1) is always a prime number.
17. If 'n' is even, then prove that $n(n+1)(n+2)$ is divisible by 24.
18. Find the general solution of $170x + 455y = 625$.
19. State and prove the Fundamental theorem of Arithmetic.

IV. Answer any **FOUR** of the following :

(4 × 5 = 20)

20. Prove that the relation "Congruence modulo m " is an equivalence relation on the set of integers.
21. Find the remainder when 3^{287} is divided by 23.
22. Find all 'x' which simultaneously satisfy the congruences,
$$x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$$
$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$$
$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$
23. State and prove Fermat's Little theorem.
24. If p is a prime, then show that $q(p-3)! + 1$ is divisible by p .

V. Answer any **FOUR** of the following :

(4 × 5 = 20)

25. Let 'm' and 'n' be any two positive integers, then prove that the arithmetic functions τ and σ are multiplicative.

26. If $F(n)$ is a multiplicative function and $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$, then prove that 'f' is also multiplicative.

27. Prove that the highest power of a prime 'P' which divides $n!$ is $\sum_{i=1}^K \left[\frac{n}{P^i} \right]$, where $P^K \leq n < P^{K+1}$.

28. If $n = P_1^{K_1} \cdot P_2^{K_2} \dots P_r^{K_r}$ is the canonical representation, then prove that

$$\phi(n) = n \left(1 - \frac{1}{P_1} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{P_2} \right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{P_r} \right)$$

29. State and prove Euler's generalisation of Fermat's theorem.

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