

## SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, JUNE 2015

(CUCSS)

Mathematics

MT 2C 10—NUMBER THEORY

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

## Part A

*Answer all questions.**Each question carries a weightage of 1.*

1. Find all integers  $x$  such that  $\varphi(n) = \epsilon(2n)$ .
2. Show that  $\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m)\varphi(n)$  if  $(m, n) = 1$ .
3. Define completely multiplicative function.
4. Define divisor functions  $\sigma_k(n)$  for  $n \geq 1$  and show that they are multiplicative.
5. If  $f$  and  $g$  are arithmetical functions, then show that  $(f * g)' = f' * g + f * g'$ .
6. Show that if  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{a}{n}}{bx} = \frac{a}{b}$ .
7. Let  $(a, m) = 1$ . Show that the linear congruence  $ax \equiv b \pmod{m}$  has exactly one solution.
8. Determine the quadratic residues and non-residues modulo 11.
9. Determine those odd primes  $p$  for which 3 is a quadratic residue.
10. Show that if  $p$  is an odd positive integer then  $(2/p) = (-1)^{\frac{p-1}{8}}$ .
11. Prove that the product of two linear enciphering transformations is also a linear enciphering transformation.
12. Write a short note on enciphering key.
13. What is classical cryptosystem?
14. State the map coloring problem and translate it to a graph coloring problem.

(14 x 1 = 14 weightage)

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## Part B

Answer **any seven** questions.  
Each question carries a **weightage** of 2.

15. Show that for  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\varphi(n) = n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$ .
16. Let  $f$  be a multiplicative function. Show that  $f$  is completely multiplicative iff  $f^{-1}(n) = \mu(n) f(n)$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .
17. State and prove Euler's summation formula.
18. Show that for  $x \geq 2$ ,  $\sum_{p \leq x} \left\lfloor \frac{x}{p} \right\rfloor \log p = x \log x - x + O(\log x)$ .
19. Show that for any prime  $p \geq 5$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} k^{p-1} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}$ .
20. Let  $p$  be an odd prime. Show that for all  $n$ ,  $(n!)^{\frac{p-1}{2}} \equiv \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)! \pmod{p}$ .
21. Show that given any integer  $k > 0$  there exists a lattice point  $(a, b)$  such that none of the lattice points  $(a+r, b+s)$ ,  $0 < r \leq k, 0 < s \leq k$  is visible from the origin.
22. Find the inverse of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 7 \\ 8 & 26 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z})$ .
23. Solve the following system of simultaneous congruences :
 
$$\begin{aligned} 17x + 11y &\equiv 7 \pmod{29} \\ 13x + 10y &\equiv 8 \pmod{29}. \end{aligned}$$
24. Write a note on the ElGamal cryptosystem.

(7 x 2 = 14 weightage)

## Part C

Answer any two questions.  
Each question carries a **weightage** of 4.

25. Show that the set of all arithmetical functions  $f$  with  $f(1) \neq 0$  forms an **abelian** group with respect to the **Dirichlet** product.

26. Let  $p_n$  denote the  $n$ th prime. Prove that the following are equivalent :

$$(i) \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = 1.$$

$$(ii) \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log' \pi(x)}{x} = 1.$$

$$(iii) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(n)}{n \log n} = 1.$$

27. State and prove Quadratic reciprocity law.

28. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{N\mathbb{Z}}\right)$  and set  $D = a$ . Prove that the following are equivalent :

$$(a) \gcd(c, d) = (D, N) = 1.$$

(b)  $A$  has an inverse.

$$(c) \text{ If } x \text{ and } y \text{ are not both } 0 \text{ in } \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{N\mathbb{Z}}, \text{ then } Ax \neq y \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$(d) A \text{ gives a one to one correspondence of } \left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}}{N\mathbb{Z}}\right)^2 \text{ with itself.}$$

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)