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(CUCSS)

Mathematics

MT 2C 10—NUMBER THEORY

(2010 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 **Weightage**

Part A

*Answer all questions.
Each question has **weightage** of 1.*

1. If $n \geq 1$, prove that $\sum_{d|n} (d) = n$.
2. Define Dirichlet product of two arithmetical functions. If f is an arithmetical function, find I such that $f * I = I * f = f$.
3. Define a multiplicative function. If f is multiplicative, prove that f^{-1} is multiplicative.
4. If f and g are arithmetical functions, prove that $(f * g)' = f' * g + f * g'$.
5. With usual notations, prove that $A * u = u'$ and hence derive the **Selberg** identity.
6. Prove that $[2x] + [2y] = [x] + [y] + [x + y]$.
7. Let $f(x) = x^2 + x + 41$. Find the smallest integer for which $f(x)$ is composite.
8. Solve the congruence $5x \equiv 3 \pmod{24}$.
9. Find the quadratic residues and non-residues modulo **11**.
10. State and prove Little Fermat's theorem.
11. Determine whether -104 is a quadratic residue or quadratic non-residue of 997.
12. Define an **affine crypto-system**. Illustrate with an example.

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13. Prove that product of two linear enciphering transformation is a linear enciphering transformation.
14. Describe how a signature is sent in RSA.

(14 x 1 = 14 weightage)

Part B

Answer any seven questions.
Each question has weightage 2.

15. If $n \geq 1$, prove that $A(n) = \sum_{d|n} (d) \log\left(\frac{n}{d}\right) = \sum_{d|n} (d) \log d$.
16. Let f be a multiplicative function. Show that f is completely multiplicative if and only if $f^{-1}(n) = \mu(n) f(n)$ for $n \geq 1$.
17. State and prove the Euler's summation formula.
18. If a and b are positive real numbers such that $ab = x$ and f and g are arithmetical functions with

$F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n)$ and $G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n)$, prove that

$$f(d)g(q) = \sum_{n \leq a} f(n)G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) + \sum_{n \leq b} g(n)F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) - F(a)G(b).$$

19. With usual notations, prove that, for $x > 0$, $\frac{(\log x)^2}{2\sqrt{x} \log 2} - \frac{\psi(x)}{x} = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$.
20. For any prime $p \geq 5$, prove that $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{(p-1)!}{k} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}$.
21. Prove that the Legendre's symbol $\left(\frac{n}{p}\right)$ is a completely multiplicative function of n .
22. If p and q are distinct odd primes, prove that $\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)\left(\frac{q}{p}\right) = (-1)^{\frac{(p-1)(q-1)}{4}}$.

23. In the 27-letter alphabet with 'blank = 26', $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{M}_2(\mathbf{Z}/26\mathbf{Z})$, to encipher the message

unit "NO" assuming each plaintext message unit $P = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ is transformed into $C = \begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix}$ by the rule

$$C = AP.$$

24. Solve the congruences :

$$x + 4y \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$$

$$5x + 8y \equiv 0 \pmod{9}$$

(7 x 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C

Answer any two questions.
Each question has weightage of 4.

25. Show that $\frac{1}{6 \log n} \leftarrow (-n) \leftarrow \frac{6n}{\log n}$ for every integer $n \geq 2$.

26. With usual notations, prove that there is a constant A such that

$$E \left(\frac{1}{P} \right) = \log_2(\log_2 x) + A + O \left(\frac{1}{\log x} \right) \text{ for all } x \geq 2.$$

27. (a) Find all odd primes for which 3 is a quadratic residue.
(b) Find all odd primes for which 2 is a quadratic non-residue.
28. Describe algorithm for finding the discrete logs in the finite fields.

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage)