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Mathematics

MAT 6B 12—NUMBER THEORY AND LINEAR ALGEBRA

Time : Three Hours Maximum : 120 Marks

Section A

Answer all the **twelve** *questions.*
Each question carries 1 *mark.*

1. Find gcd (143,227).
2. Give an example of linear Diophantine equation in two variables.
3. Write two integers a and b such that a is incongruent to b modulo 5.
4. State the Fundamental Theorem of Arithmatic.
5. Define pseudoprime. Give an example of a Pseudoprime number.
6. Find $\tau(12)$.
7. Define Euler's Phi function.
8. Define subspace of a vector space.
9. Define dimension of a vector space.
10. Check whether the following map is linear. $f : R^3 \to R^3$ defined by $f(x,y,z) = (z, -y, x)$.
11. Define the rank of a linear map.
12. State the dimension theorem.

(12 × 1 = 12 marks)

Section B

Answer any **ten** *questions from among the questions 13 to 26.*
Each question carries 4 *marks.*

13. Use the Euclidean Algorithm to obtain integers x and y satisfying gcd (56,72) = $56x + 72y$.
14. Find all the integer solutions of the Diophantine equation $6x + 15y = 22$.
15. Prove that the linear Diophantine equation $ax + by = c$ has an integer solution if and only if $d \mid c$ where d = gcd (a, b).
16. Prove that $\sqrt{3}$ is irrational.
17. For arbitrary integers a and b prove that $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ if and only if a and b leave the same remainder when divided by n.
18. Find the remainder when 2^{50} is divided by 7.

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19. If p and q are distinct primes with $a^p \equiv a$ (mod q) and $a^q \equiv a$ (mod p), then prove that $a^{pq} \equiv a$ (mod pq).

20. Show that 18! $\equiv -1$ (mod 437).

21. If p is a prime and k > 0, then show that $\phi\left(p^k\right) = p^k\left(1-\frac{1}{p}\right)$.

22. Prove that the monomials $1, x, \ldots, x^n$ form a basis for $\mathbb{R}\, n$ [X].

23. Show that a line in R^3 that does not pass through the origin cannot be a subspace of R^3.

24. Show that (1,1,0,0), (– 1, –1,1,2), (1, –1,1,3), (0,1, –1, –3) is a basis of R^4.

25. If f : $V \to W$ is linear, then prove that the following statements are equivalent : (1) f is injective ; (2) Ker f = O.

26. The mapping f : $R^2 \to R^3$ given by f $(a, b) = (a + b, a - b, b)$ is linear.

(10 × 4 = 40 marks)

Section C

Answer any **six** *questions from among the questions 27 to 35.*
Each question carries 7 marks.

27. Given integers a and b, not both of which are zero, prove that there exists integers x and y such that gcd(a, b) = $ax + by$.

28. Prove that gcd (a,b) lcm $(a,b) = ab$, where a and b are positive integers.

29. Prove that there are infinite number of primes.

30. Let p be a prime number and suppose that $p \nmid a$, then prove that $a^{p-1} \equiv 1$ (mod p)

31. Derive Legendre formula for n!

32. If V is a vector space with dim $V = 10$ and X,Y are subspaces of V with dim X = 8 and dim $Y = 9$, then find the smallest possible value of dim $(X \cap Y)$.

33. Let V be a, finite-dimensional vector space. If G is a finite spanning set of V and if I is a linearly independent subset of V such that $I \subseteq G$ then there is a basis B of V such that $I \subseteq B \subseteq G$.

34. Let V and W be vector spaces over a field F. If $v_1, \ldots, v_n$ is a basis of V and $w_1, \ldots, w_n$ are elements of W (not necessarily distinct) then show that there is a unique linear mapping f : $V \to W$ such that $f(v_i) = W_i$, $i = 1,2,3 \ldots n$.

35. Show that the linear mapping f : $R^3 \to R^3$ given by f $(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, 2x - y - z, x + 2y - z)$ is both surjective and injective.

(6 × 7 = 42 marks)

Section D

Answer any **two** *questions from among the questions 36 to 38.*
Each question carries 13 *marks.*

36. State and Prove Division Algorithm. Illustrate with an example.

37. State and prove Chinese Remainder Theorem.

38. Let V be a vector space that is spanned by the finite set $G = V_1,..., v_n$. If $I = w_1...,w_m$ is a linearly independent subset of V then show that $m \leq n$.

(2 × 13 = 26 marks)