

Part B (Paragraph questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. Let S be the subset of \mathbb{N} that preserves the two properties:
(i) The number $1 \in S$. (ii) For every $k \in \mathbb{N}$, if $k \in S$, then $k + 1 \in S$.
Then prove that $S = \mathbb{N}$.
17. Using the Euclidean Algorithm, Express $(4076, 2076)$ as a linear combination of 4076 and 2076.
18. Using canonical decompositions, find the gcd of each pair; 48, 162.
19. Using recursion, evaluate the lcm of 24,28,36,40?
20. If p is a prime, then show that $(p - 1)! \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$.
21. Compute the remainder when 43^{5555} is divided by 31.
22. Let p be a prime and a any integer such that p does not divide a . Then show that the solution of linear congruence $ax \equiv b \pmod{p}$ is given by $x \equiv a^{p-2}b \pmod{p}$.
23. Using Euler's theorem find the remainder when 245^{1040} is divided by 18.

(Ceiling: 35 Marks)

Part C (Essay questions)

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

24. 1) Explain
a) Proof of contrapositive.
b) Direct proof.
c) Proof by cases.
d) Constructive existence proof.
e) Counter example method.
2) Prove that $\sqrt{5}$ is an irrational number.
25. State and prove Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic.
26. a) Find the last digit in the decimal value of $1997^{1998^{1999}}$.
b) Find the remainder when $(n^2 + n + 41)^2$ is divided by 12.
27. a) Prove that a positive integer p is a prime if and only if $\phi(p) = p - 1$.
b) State and prove Euler's theorem.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)
