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# FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2019 (CUCSS PG)

# CC19 MTH1 C05 – NUMBER THEORY

(Mathematics)

(2019 Admission Regular)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 30 Weightage

### Part A

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

- 1. Define Euler Toitent function  $\varphi(n)$  and show that if a|b then  $\varphi(a)|\varphi(b)$
- 2. Prove that [x + n] = [x] + n, where  $x \in R, n \in N$
- 3. Derive Selberg identity.
- 4. Define Chebyshev's functions  $\psi(x)$  and  $\vartheta(x)$  and show that  $\psi(x) = \sum_{m \le \log_2 x} \vartheta(x^{1/m})$
- 5. Calculate the highest power of 10 that divides 1000!
- 6. Prove that the Jacobi symbol is a completely multiplicative function.
- 7. In the 27-letter alphabet (blank = 26) use the affine enciphering transformation with key a = 13, b = 9 to encipher the message "HELP ME".
- 8. What is a trapdoor function?

## (8 × 1= 8 Weightage)

#### Part B

Answer any *two* questions from each unit. Each question carries 2 weightage.

## UNIT I

- 9. Show that if  $n \ge 1$  then  $\sum_{d/n} \varphi(d) = n$
- 10. Define Mangoldt function. Show that  $n \ge 1$  then  $\log n = \sum_{d/n} \Lambda(d)$
- 11. Prove that  $\forall x \ge 1$ ,  $\left|\sum_{n \le x} \frac{\mu(n)}{n}\right| \le 1$

#### UNIT II

12. State and prove Abel's identity.

13. For  $x \ge 2$ , prove that  $\vartheta(x) = \pi(x)\log x - \int_2^x \frac{\pi(t)}{t} dt$  and  $\pi(x) = \frac{\theta(x)}{\log x} + \int_2^x \frac{\theta(t)}{t\log^2 t} dt$ 

14. Prove that  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \left( \frac{M(x)}{x} - \frac{H(x)}{x \log x} \right) = 0$ 

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#### UNIT III

- 15. If *p* is an odd prime, prove that  $(2|p) = (-1)^{\frac{(p^2-1)}{8}}$
- 16. Determine those odd primes for which 3 is a quadratic residue and those for which it is a non-residue.
- 17. Solve the following system:

$$x + 3y \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$
$$7x + 9y \equiv 1 \pmod{26}$$

 $(6 \times 2 = 12 \text{ Weightage})$ 

## Part C

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

18. (a) State and prove Euler's summation formula.

(b) If  $x \ge 1$ , prove that  $\sum_{n \le x} \frac{1}{n} = \log x + C + O\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$  where *C* is the Euler's constant.

- 19. (a) State three equivalent forms of prime number theorem.
  - (b) Prove that that  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = 1$  if and only if  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log \pi(x)}{x} = 1$
- 20. State and prove Gauss' lemma.
- 21. (a) What is the difference between public key and private key cryptosystem.
  - (b) Working in 26-letter alphabet use the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  to encipher the message "NOANSWER".

# $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ Weightage})$

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