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B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019

Fifth Semester

Information Technology

MA 8551 – ALGEBRA AND NUMBER THEORY

(Common to Computer Science and Engineering/Computer and Communication Engineering)

(Regulations 2017)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer ALL questions

PART – A

(10×2=20 Marks)

1. Define a subgroup and give one proper subgroup of  $(\mathbb{Z}_6, +)$ .
2. Give an example for a cyclic group along with its generator.
3. Find all the roots of  $f(x) = x^2 + 4x$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{12}[x]$ .
4. Give an example for an irreducible and reducible polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}_2[x]$ .
5. Find the number of positive integer's  $\leq 3076$  and not divisible by 17.
6. Using the canonical decomposition of 1050 and 2574, find their lcm.
7. Determine whether the LDE  $2x + 3y + 4z = 5$  is solvable.
8. What is the remainder when  $3^{81}$  is divided by 7?
9. State Fermat's little theorem.
10. If  $n = 2^k$ , then show that the value of Euler's phi function  $\phi(n) = n/2$ .

PART – B

(5×16=80 Marks)

11. a) i) Let  $G$  be the set of all rigid motions of an equilateral triangle. Identify the elements of  $G$ . Show that it is a non-abelian group of order 6.  
ii) Let  $G$  be a group with subgroups  $H$  and  $K$ . If  $|G| = 660$ ,  $|K| = 66$  and  $K \subseteq H \subseteq G$ , what are the possible values for  $|H|$ ? (8+8)

(OR)

- b) i) Prove that  $(\mathbb{Q}, \oplus, \circ)$  is a ring on the set of rational numbers under the binary operations  $x \oplus y = x + y + 7$ ,  $x \circ y = x + y + (xy/7)$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{Q}$ .  
ii) Find  $[100]^{-1}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{1009}$ . (8+8)



12. a) i) If  $f(x) \in F[x]$  has degree  $n \geq 1$ , then prove that  $f(x)$  has at most  $n$  roots in  $F$ .  
 ii) Find the gcd of  $x^{10} - x^7 - x^5 + x^3 + x^2 - 1$  and  $x^8 - x^6 - x^3 + 1$  in  $Q[x]$ . (8+8)  
 (OR)
- b) Prove that a finite field  $F$  has order  $p^t$ , where  $p$  is a prime and  $t \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . (16)
13. a) i) Prove that there are infinitely many primes.  
 ii) Prove that the gcd of the positive integers  $a$  and  $b$  is a linear combination of  $a$  and  $b$ . (8+8)  
 (OR)
- b) i) Apply Euclidean algorithm to express the gcd of 1976 and 1776 as a linear combination of themselves.  
 ii) Prove that the product of gcd and lcm of any two positive integers  $a$  and  $b$  is equal to their products. (8+8)
14. a) i) Find the general solution of the LDE  $15x + 21y = 39$ .  
 ii) Solve the linear system. (8+8)  
 $5x + 6y \equiv 10 \pmod{13}$   
 $6x - 7y \equiv 2 \pmod{13}$   
 (OR)
- b) State and prove Chinese Remainder Theorem. Using it find the least positive integer that leaves the remainder 1 when divided by 3, 2 when divided by 4 and 3 when divided by 5. (16)
15. a) i) State and prove Wilson's theorem.  
 ii) Using Euler's theorem find the remainder when  $245^{1040}$  is divided by 18. (8+8)  
 (OR)
- b) Let  $n$  be a positive integer with canonical decomposition  $n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \dots p_k^{e_k}$ . Derive the formulae for Tau and Sigma functions. Hence evaluate  $\tau(n)$  and  $\sigma(n)$  for  $n = 1980$ . (16)