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3(Sem 6) MTH M4

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**MATHEMATICS**

**( Major )**

Theory Paper : M-6.4

**(Discrete Mathematics)**

Full Marks – 60

Time – Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions.

1. Answer the following questions as directed.

1×7=7

- (a) If  $n$  is a positive integer such that  $n^3+1$  is a prime, then find the value of  $n$ .
- (b) For all integers  $n \geq 0$ ,  $7^n - 1$  is divisible by 6. (State whether true or false).

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(c) State Euclid's theorem on prime numbers.

(d) Find all integers  $k \geq 2$  such that  $7 \equiv k \pmod{k^2}$ .

(e) If  $n$  is a positive integer such that  $\gcd(n, 9) = 1$ , then  $n^{18} - 1$  is not divisible by 9. (State whether true or false).

(f) State Fermat's Little Theorem.

(g) State the condition for which the linear Diophantine equation  $ax + by = c$  has an integral solution.

2. Answer the following questions :  $2 \times 4 = 8$

(a) If  $a$  and  $b$  are positive integers such that  $\gcd(a, b) = 1$ , then show that  $\gcd(a + b, a - b) = 1$  or  $2$ .

(b) Find the remainder when  $17$  is divided by  $19$ .

(c) Show that if  $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ , then one of  $x, y$  is  $\pm 1 \pmod{4}$  and the other is  $0 \pmod{4}$ .

(d) Find all integral solution of the following linear Diophantine equation  $8x - 10y = 42$ .

3. Answer the following questions :  $5 \times 3 = 15$

(a) For any integer  $n \geq 2$ , if  $p$  divides  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , then prove that  $p$  divides one of the integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , where  $p$  is a prime number. Applying this result, show that  $12$  is not a prime number.

Or

If  $p_n$  is the  $n$ th prime, then prove that

$\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{p_n}$  is not an integer.

(b) Solve the linear congruence

$$6x \equiv 15 \pmod{21}$$

Or

Determine the integer in the unit place of  $17^{17^{17}}$ .

(c) If  $p^c | n$ ,  $p^{c+1} \nmid n$  where  $p$  is a prime of the form  $4k + 3$  and  $c$  is odd, then prove that  $n$  has no representation as the sum of two squares.

4. (a) Answer either (i) or (ii): 10

(i) (1) If the integer  $n > 1$  has the prime factorization

$$n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_r^{k_r} \text{ then show that}$$

$$\tau(n) = \prod_{i=1}^r (k_i + 1).$$

Hence show that  $\tau$  is a multiplicative function. 5

(2) Define Mobius  $\mu$  function. Show that  $\mu$  is a multiplicative function. If  $n$  is a positive integer such that  $n \geq 3$ , show that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \mu(k) = 1. \quad 3+2=5$$

(ii) Define Euler's phi-function. Find  $\phi(20)$ . If  $p$  is a prime and  $n$  is a positive integer, then prove that

$$\phi(p^n) = p^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right). \quad 1+2+7=10$$

(b) Answer either (i) or (ii): 10

(i) (1) Let  $p$  be "6 is a real number",  $q$  be "2+4 = 9" and  $r$  be "sum of two even integers is even". Then find the truth value of the following statement forms: 5

(i)  $p \rightarrow (q \wedge r)$

(ii)  $(p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$

(iii)  $(p \rightarrow (\sim q \vee r)) \wedge \sim (q \vee (p \leftrightarrow r))$

(2) State the principle of substitution. Using the principle, show that the following statements formula is a tautology:

$$(p_1 \wedge \sim p_2) \rightarrow ((\sim p_3 \wedge p_4) \rightarrow$$

$$((p_1 \wedge \sim p_2) \wedge (\sim p_3 \wedge p_4))) \quad 5$$

(ii) (1) Using truth table, verify the following:

$$p \rightarrow (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \rightarrow q) \wedge (p \rightarrow r) \quad 5$$

(2) Write the truth tables for the connectives 'NOR' and 'NAND'. Show that each of the connectives alone forms an adequate system. 5

(c) Answer either (i) or (ii) : 10

(i) (1) Express the following Boolean expression in disjunctive normal form (DNF) and conjunctive normal form (CNF) :

$$(x + y + z) (xy + x'z)' \quad 5$$

(2) Find a switching circuit which realizes the switching function  $f$  given by the following switching table :

| x | y | z | $f(x, y, z)$ |
|---|---|---|--------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0            |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1            |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1            |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0            |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0            |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0            |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0            |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1            |

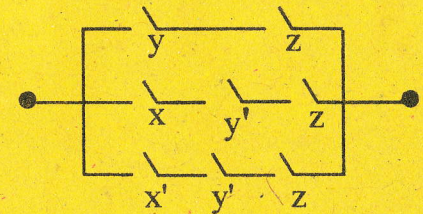
(ii) (1) Simplify the Boolean expression :

$$(x + y) (x + z) (x' y)'$$

Express the following Boolean expression in conjunctive normal form (CNF) in the variables present in the expression :

$$x' + yz. \quad 2\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{2} = 5$$

(2) Consider the following switching circuit :



Find a Boolean expression which represents the circuit. Also, draw a simpler equivalent circuit for the above circuit.

$$3 + 2 = 5$$