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MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: ICB 1209

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO NUMBER THEORY

DATE:

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TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

Answer question ONE and ANY other TWO questions.

QUESTION 1 (30 MARKS)

- (a) State four properties of real numbers. (4 marks)

- (b) Suppose a , b and c are integers, prove that
 - (i) If $a|b$ and $b|c$, then $a|c$. (3 marks)
 - (ii) state the steps in RSA encryption scheme (3 marks)
- (c) Given that $a = 573$ and $b = -16$, find the integers q and r such that $a = bq + r$ and $0 < r < b$. (4 marks)
- (d) Let $8316 = a$ and $19800 = b$. Express each number in its prime factors and hence find:
 - (i) $\gcd(a,b)$ (2 marks)
 - (ii) $\text{lcm}(a,b)$ (2 marks)
- (e) State and prove Fermat's Little Theorem. (4 marks)
- (f) Prove that if $\gcd(a,b)=1$ and that a and b both divide c , then ab divides c . (4 marks)
- (g) Solve the congruence equation $8x \equiv 12 \pmod{28}$ (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- 1. (a) Use the Euclidean algorithm to compute the greatest common divisor (217,161) (5 marks)

- (b) Solve the linear equation $217x - 161y = 21$ or explain why there are no solutions. (10marks)

- (c) Let a , b , c , and n be integers. Prove that
if $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$ and $c \equiv d \pmod{n}$, then $a - c \equiv b - d \pmod{n}$. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a. Define the Chinese Remainder Theorem. (2 marks)

- b. Use the Chinese Remainder Theorem to solve the simultaneous congruences
 - $x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$
 - $x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$
 - $x \equiv -1 \pmod{11}$.(10 marks)

- c. Calculate the continued fraction expansion of $4169/3864$ (8 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) DEFINE the term prime. (1 mark)
- (b) PROVE that there are infinitely many primes. (3 marks)
- (c) state the Principle of Mathematical Induction (PMI) (2 marks)
- (d) Use mathematical induction to prove that, for $n \in \mathbf{N}$, we have

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n - 1) + n = \frac{n(n + 1)}{2} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

Can you also prove this formula more directly, without using induction? If so, how? (2 marks)

- (e) Find the least common multiple and the greatest common divisor of $2^5 5^6 7^2 11$ and $2^3 5^8 7^2 13$.
Let $a = 2^4 13^2 17$, $b = 2^3 5 13$. Find the following:
 - (a) The prime factorization of (a, b)
 - (b) The prime factorization of $[a, b]$ (4 marks)
- (f) Determine the prime factorization of 13832000 (3 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) What is meant by the term ‘Cryptography’? (1 mark)
- (b) Why is modular arithmetic key to cryptography? (3 marks)
- (c) Describe the steps in Diffie-Hellman key exchange algorithm and state why it works. (10 marks)
- (d) Suppose that two parties A and B wish to set up a common secret key (D-H key) between themselves using the Diffie Hellman key exchange technique. They agree on 7 as the modulus and 3 as the primitive root. Party A chooses 2 and party B chooses 5 as their respective secrets. Calculate their D-H key. (6 marks)