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MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: IIT 3218

COURSE TITLE :INTRODUCTION TO NUMBER THEORY

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: BSc Y2S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

EXAM SESSION:

Instructions:

Answer question 1 and any other two questions

- 1. Show all the necessary working**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper**

Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room

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) If a/b , then for any integer x , a/bx (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 $a = 8316$ and $b = 19800$. Express each number in its prime factors and hence find:
- (i) $\gcd(a,b)$ (2 marks)
 - (ii) $\text{lcm}(a,b)$ (2 marks)
- (e) Construct the addition and multiplication tables for \mathbb{Z}_5 (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 2 (20 MARKS)

- (a) Suppose a/b and a/c . Prove that for any integers m and n , $a/(bm + cn)$. (6 marks)
- (b) Let $a = -433$ and $b = -17$. Find the integers q and r such that
 $a = bq + r$ and $0 < r < |b|$. (4 marks)
- (c) Determine all the solutions of the integers in the linear Diophantine equation
 $247x + 91y = 52$. (10 marks)

QUESTION 3 (20 MARKS)

- (a) Let m be a positive integer. Prove that:
- (i) For any integer a , $a \equiv a \pmod{m}$ (3 marks)

(ii) if $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$, then $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$. (3 marks)

(b) Let $a = 252$ and $b = 198$.

(i) Using division algorithm find $d = \gcd(a,b)$, the greatest common divisor of a and b (6 marks)

(ii) Using Euclidean algorithm, find the integers x and y such that $d = xa + yb$ (6 marks)

(iii) Find $\text{lcm}(a,b)$, the least common multiple of a and b . (2 marks)

QUESTION 4 (20 MARKS)

(a) Let a and b be *relatively prime* integers. Explain what is meant by relatively prime. (2 marks)

(b) Suppose $a \equiv c \pmod{m}$ and $b \equiv d \pmod{m}$. Prove that :

(i) $a + b \equiv c + d \pmod{m}$ (4 marks)

(ii) $a.b \equiv c.d \pmod{m}$ (4 marks)

(c) State the Chinese remainder theorem. (2 marks)

(d) Solve the following systems of linear congruence equation. (8 marks)

$$x \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$$

$$x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$x \equiv 4 \pmod{11}$$

QUESTION 5 (20 MARKS)

(a) Let a and b be two real numbers such that $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$.

Show that $|a - b| \geq ||a| - |b||$ (7 marks)

(b) Solve the following congruence equation.

(i) $x^2 - 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$ (4 marks)

(ii) $33x \equiv 38 \pmod{280}$ (9 marks)