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**M.Sc DEGREE (CSS) EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025**

**Fourth Semester**

**M Sc MATHEMATICS**

**CORE - ME010402 - ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY**

**2019 ADMISSION ONWARDS**

**C7449C4F**

Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

**Part A (Short Answer Questions)**

*Answer any eight questions.*

*Weight 1 each.*

1. Define the identity function  $I(n)$  and prove that  $I * f = f * I = f$ , where  $f$  is any arithmetical function.
2. Prove that if  $f$  and  $g$  are multiplicative then so is their Dirichlet product.
3. Define the divisor function  $\sigma_\alpha(n)$ . Show that it is multiplicative.
4. Prove that the following relations are logically equivalent.  
(a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = 1$ .  
(b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log \pi(x)}{x} = 1$ .
5. Prove that  $\forall x \geq 1, \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{\Lambda(n)}{n} = \log x + O(1)$ .
6. State and prove cancellation law.
7. Give an example of a linear congruence having no solution.
8. Solve the congruence  $5x \equiv 3 \pmod{24}$ .
9. Define quadratic residues. Find the quadratic residues for  $p=11$ .
10. (a) Define the exponent of  $a$  modulo  $m$ .  
(b) Let  $m \geq 1$  and  $(a, m) = 1$ . Then prove that  $a^k \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$  if and only if  $k \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$ , where  $f = \exp_m(a)$ .

(8×1=8 weightage)



### Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

11. If  $f$  has a continuous derivative  $f'$  on the interval  $[y, x]$ , where  $0 < y < x$ , then prove that 
$$\sum_{y < n \leq x} f(n) = \int_y^x f(t) dt + \int_y^x (t - [t]) f'(t) dt + f(x)([x] - x) - f(y)([y] - y).$$
12. If  $h = f * g$ ,  $H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} h(n)$ ,  $F(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n)$ ,  $G(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n)$ , prove that 
$$H(x) = \sum_{n \leq x} f(n) G\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) = \sum_{n \leq x} g(n) F\left(\frac{x}{n}\right).$$
13. Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\psi(x)}{x} - \frac{\vartheta(x)}{x} \right) = 0$ .
14. If  $n \geq 1$ , show that  $\frac{1}{6} n \log n < P_n < 12(n \log n + n \log \frac{12}{e})$ , where  $P_n$  denotes the  $n^{\text{th}}$  prime.
15. For any prime  $p \geq 5$ , prove that  $\sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{(p-1)!}{k} \equiv 0 \pmod{p^2}$ .
16. Let  $f$  be a polynomial with integer coefficients, let  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_r$  be positive integer relatively prime in pairs, and let  $m = m_1 m_2 \dots m_r$ . Then prove that the congruence  $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$  has a solution if and only if each of the congruence  $f(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{m_i}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, r$ , has a solution.
17. Determine those odd primes  $p$  for which 3 is a quadratic nonresidue.
18. Let  $(a, m) = 1$  and  $f = \exp_m(a)$ . Prove that  $\exp_m(a^k) = \exp_m(a)$  if and only if  $(k, f) = 1$ .

(6×2=12 weightage)

### Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight **5** each.

19. Prove that (a) a lattice point  $(a, b)$  is visible from the origin if and only if  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime.  
(b) If the two integers  $a$  and  $b$  are chosen at random, then the probability that they are relatively prime is  $\frac{6}{\pi^2}$ .
20. State and prove Shapiro's Taubarian Theorem.
21. State and prove the Chinese remainder theorem. Hence prove that the linear system of congruences  $a_1 x \equiv b_1 \pmod{m_1}, \dots, a_r x \equiv b_r \pmod{m_r}$  has exactly one solution modulo  $m_1, \dots, m_r$ . Assume that  $m_1, \dots, m_r$  are positive integers, relatively prime in pairs,  $b_1, \dots, b_r$  be arbitrary integers and  $a_1, \dots, a_r$  satisfy  $(a_k, m_k) = 1$  for  $k = 1, \dots, r$ .
22. If  $p$  and  $q$  are distinct odd primes prove that 
$$(p|q) = \begin{cases} -(q|p) & \text{if } p \equiv q \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \\ (q|p) & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(2×5=10 weightage)