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First Semester

Mathematics – Core

ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY

(For those who joined in July 2021 onwards)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — ( $10 \times 1 = 10$  marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer :

1. If  $n \mid n$ , then it is called \_\_\_\_\_ property of divisibility.
- (a) reflexive
  - (b) symmetric
  - (c) transitivity
  - (d) linearity

2. The series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/p_n$  is \_\_\_\_\_

(a) converges                      (b) diverges  
(c) countable                      (d) uncountable

3. The value  $\varphi(8) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

(a) 1                                      (b) 2  
(c) 4                                      (d) 0

4. The notation for Mobius function is \_\_\_\_\_.

(a)  $\varphi(n)$                               (b)  $\pi(n)$   
(c)  $f(n)$                               (d)  $\mu(n)$

5. The identity function  $I(n) = [1/n]$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) not multiplicative  
(b) multiplicative  
(c) completely multiplicative  
(d) not complete

6. If any two functions  $f$  and  $g$  are multiplicative, then \_\_\_\_\_ multiplicative

(a)  $fg$                                       (b)  $f/g$   
(c) none of the above              (d) both

7. The value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- (a) 1 (b) 2  
(c) 4 (d) 0

8. The average order of  $\Lambda(n)$  is  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- (a) 2 (b) 1  
(c) 4 (d) 0

9. The upper bound of  $\pi(n) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- (a)  $\frac{1}{6} \frac{n}{\log n}$  (b)  $\frac{n}{\log n}$   
(c)  $6 \frac{n}{\log n}$  (d)  $2 \frac{n}{\log n}$

10. The value of  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log x}{\log \pi(x)} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

- (a) 0 (b) 2  
(c) 4 (d) 1

PART B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) Prove that every integer  $n > 1$  is either a prime number or a product of prime numbers.

Or

(b) State and prove division algorithm.

12. (a) Prove that  $\varphi(mn) = \varphi(m)\varphi(n)(d, \varphi(d))$  where  $d = (m, n)$ . Also prove that  $\varphi(a) \mid \varphi(b)$  if  $a \mid b$ .

Or

(b) State and prove Mobius inversion formula.

13. (a) Given  $f$  with  $(1) = 1$ . Then prove that  $f$  is multiplicative if and only if  $f(p_1^{a_1}, p_2^{a_2}, \dots, p_r^{a_r}) = f(p_1^{a_1})f(p_2^{a_2}) \dots f(p_r^{a_r})$  for all primes  $p_i$  and all integers  $a_i \geq 1$ .

Or

(b) State and prove Generalized inversion formula.

14. (a) If  $x \geq 1$ , then prove that  $\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{1}{n} = \log x + C + O\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$ . Also prove that  $\sum_{n \leq x} n^\alpha = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{\alpha+1} + O(x^\alpha)$  if  $\alpha \geq 0$ .

Or

(b) For all  $x > 1$ , show that  $\sum_{n \leq x} \varphi(n) = \frac{3}{\pi^2} x^2 + O(x \log x)$ .

15. (a) For all  $x \geq 1$ , prove that  $\left| \sum_{n \leq x} \frac{\mu(n)}{n} \right| \leq 1$  with equality holding only if  $x < 2$ .

Or

- (b) For  $x \geq 2$ , show that  $\sum_{p \leq x} \left[ \frac{x}{p} \right] \log p = x \log x + O(x)$  where the sum is extended over all primes  $\leq x$ .

PART C — (5 × 8 = 40 marks)

Answer ALL questions, choosing either (a) or (b)

16. (a) (i) State and prove Euclidean algorithm.  
 (ii) If  $(a, b) = 1$ , then prove that  $(a^n, b^k) = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1, k \geq 1$ .  
 Or  
 (b) (i) Prove that  $n^4 + 4$  is composite if  $n > 1$ .  
 (ii) Prove that every integer  $n > 1$  can be represented as a product of prime factors in only one way, apart from the order of the factors.
17. (a) State and prove the product formula for  $\varphi(n)$ .  
 Or  
 (b) Define Mobius function and find the relationship between Mobius function and Euler totient function.

18. (a) Define Liouville's function and for every  $n \geq 1$  and prove that  $\sum_{d|n} \lambda(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } n \text{ is a square} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

Or

- (b) State and prove Generalized Mobius inversion formula.
19. (a) Prove that the set of lattice points visible from the origin has density  $6/\pi^2$ .

Or

- (b) For all  $x \geq 1$  and  $\alpha > 0, \alpha \neq 1$ , prove that,  
 (i)  $\sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_1(n) = \frac{1}{2} \zeta(2) x^2 + O(x \log x)$   
 (ii)  $\sum_{n \leq x} \sigma_\alpha(n) = \frac{\zeta(\alpha+1)}{\alpha+1} x^{\alpha+1} + O(x^\beta)$  where  $\beta = \max\{1, \alpha\}$ .
20. (a) For  $n \geq 1$ , prove that the  $n^{\text{th}}$  prime  $p_n$  satisfies the inequality  $\frac{1}{6} n \log n < p_n < 12 \left( n \log n + n \log \frac{12}{e} \right)$ .

Or

(b) Prove that the following relations are logically equivalent

(i)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi(x) \log x}{x} = 1$

(ii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\theta(x)}{x} = 1$

(iii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\psi(x)}{x} = 1$

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