

5. (a) Prove that the quadratic congruence  $6x^2 + 5x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  has a solution for every prime  $p$ , even though the equation  $6x^2 + 5x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  has no solution in the integers. 7.5

(b) (i) Prove that there are infinitely many primes of the form  $4k + 1$ . 4

(ii) Show that 3 is quadratic residue of 23 but quadratic non residue of 31. 3.5

(c) The cipher text VKYQAQ VAKEC has been enciphered with the Linear Cipher  $C \equiv 17P + 10 \pmod{26}$

Derive the plaintext. 7.5

6. (a) Prove that 2 is not a primitive root of any prime of the form  $p = 3 \cdot 2^n + 1$  except when  $p = 13$ . 7.5

(b) Find the value of Legendre symbols  $(461/773)$  and  $(-219/383)$ . 7.5

(c) Use the Hill's cipher  $C_1 \equiv 5P_1 + 2P_2 \pmod{26}$   
 $C_2 \equiv 3P_1 + 4P_2 \pmod{26}$  to encrypt the message  
 GIVE THEM TIME. 7.5

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(c) **All** questions carry equal marks.

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1. (a) (i) Use the Euclidean Algorithm to find integers  $x$  and  $y$  satisfying

$$\gcd(1769, 2378) = 1769x + 2378y \quad 4$$

(ii) Determine all solutions in the integers of the Diophantine equation

$$221x + 35y = 11 \quad 3.5$$

- (b) Verify that  $0, 1, 2, 2^2, 2^3, \dots, 2^9$  form a complete set of residues modulo 11, but that  $0, 1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, 10^2$  do not. 7.5

- (c) Obtain the **two** incongruent solutions modulo 210 of the system 7.5

$$2x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$4x \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$$

$$3x \equiv 2 \pmod{7}$$

2. (a) (i) Make use of Fermat's theorem to prove that, if  $p$  is an odd prime, then

$$1^{p-1} + 2^{p-1} + 3^{p-1} + \dots + (p-1)^{p-1} \equiv -1 \pmod{p} \quad 4$$

- (ii) For any integer  $a$ , verify that  $a^5$ , and ' $a$ ' have the same units digit. 3.5

- (b) If  $p$  is a prime, prove that for any integer  $a$ , 7.5

$$p \mid a^p + (p-1)!a \text{ and } p \mid (p-1)!a^p + a$$

- (c) Prove that if  $n = p_1^{k_1} p_2^{k_2} \dots p_r^{k_r}$  is a prime factorization of  $n > 1$ , then 7.5

$$\sigma(n) = \left( \frac{p_1^{k_1+1} - 1}{p_1 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{p_2^{k_2+1} - 1}{p_2 - 1} \right) \dots \left( \frac{p_r^{k_r+1} - 1}{p_r - 1} \right)$$

3. (a) If  $F$  is a multiplicative function and  $F(n) = \sum_{d|n} f(d)$ , 7.5

Then show that  $f$  is also multiplicative. 7.5

- (b) (i) For  $n > 2$ , Show that  $\phi(n)$  is an even integer. 3.5

- (ii) Determine the day of the week January 10, 2020. 4

- (c) If  $F_n = 2^{2^n} + 1, n > 1$  is a prime then show that 2 is not a primitive root of  $F_n$ . 7.5

4. (a) If the integer  $a$  has order  $k$  modulo  $n$ , then  $a^i \equiv a^j \pmod{n}$  if and only if  $i \equiv j \pmod{n}$ . 7.5

- (b) (i) Determine all primitive roots of 11. 3.5

- (ii) Use Euler Theorem to show that for any integer  $a$ ,

$$a^{37} \equiv a \pmod{1729}. \quad 4$$

- (c) For each positive integer  $n$  show that  $\mu(n)\mu(n+1)\mu(n+2)\mu(n+3) = 0$ .

Also show that for any integer  $n \geq 3, \sum_{k=1}^n \mu(k) = 1$

$$4+3.5=7.5$$