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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)  
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2023**

(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH 1C 05—NUMBER THEORY

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Part A (Short Answer Type Questions)***Answer all questions.**Each question carries a weightage 1.*

1. Prove that the power function  $N_{\alpha}(n) = n^{\alpha}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a fixed real or complex number is completely multiplicative.
2. State Generalized inversion formula.
3. Prove that  $\sum_{n>x} \frac{1}{n^s} = O(x^{1-s})$  if  $s > 1$ .
4. For  $x \geq 2$ , show that  $\pi(x) = \frac{\vartheta(x)}{\log x} + \int_2^x \frac{\vartheta(t)}{t \log^2 t} dt$ .
5. Describe briefly about RSA cryptosystems.
6. Define Legendre's symbol and evaluate the Legendre's symbol  $(-1|p)$ .
7. State Reciprocity law for Jacobi symbol.
8. Determine whether 888 is a quadratic residue or nonresidue of the prime 1999.

(8 × 1 = 8 weightage)

**Turn over**

**Part B (Paragraph Type Questions)**

Answer any **two** questions from each module.

Each question carries a weightage 2.

## MODULE I

9. For  $n \geq 1$  show that  $\varphi(n) = n \prod_{p|n} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)$ .
10. Let  $f$  be a completely multiplicative function. Prove that  $f$  is completely multiplicative if and only if  $f^{-1}(n) = \mu(n) f(n), \forall n \geq 1$ .
11. For  $x \geq 1$ , show that  $\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{1}{n^s} = \frac{x^{1-s}}{1-s} + \zeta(s) + O(x^{-s})$ , if  $s > 0, s \neq 1$ .

## MODULE II

12. For all  $x \geq 1$ , show that  $\sum_{p \leq x} \frac{\log p}{p} = \log x + O(1)$ .
13. State and prove Abel's identity.
14. Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a non negative sequence such that  $\sum_{n \leq x} a(n) \left[\frac{x}{n}\right] = x \log x + O(x)$  for all  $x \geq 1$ . Prove that  $\sum_{n \leq x} \frac{a(n)}{n} = \log x + O(1)$ .

## MODULE III

15. State and prove Euler's criterion.
16. If  $P$  is positive odd integer prove that Jacobi symbol  $(-1|P) = (-1)^{(P-1)/2}$  and  $(2|P) = (-1)^{(P^2-1)/8}$ .
17. How do classical and public cryptosystem differ ?

(6 × 2 = 12 weightage)

**Part C (Essay Type Questions)**

*Answer any two questions.*

*Each question carries a weightage 5.*

18. (a) If  $g$  and  $f * g$  are multiplicative prove that  $f$  is multiplicative.

(b) If  $f$  is multiplicative prove that  $\sum_{d|n} \mu(d) f(d) = \prod_{p|n} (1 - f(p))$ .

19. State and prove Euler's summation formula.

20. For every integer  $n \geq 1$ , prove that the  $n^{\text{th}}$  prime  $p_n$  satisfies the inequalities

$$\frac{1}{6} n \log n < p_n < 12 \left( n \log n + n \log \frac{12}{e} \right).$$

21. State and prove Quadratic Reciprocity law for Legendre's symbol.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)