

## Semester - III

### Theory of Numbers — I

*Course No. MM-CP-303*

*Duration of Examination: 3 hrs*

*Maximum Marks: 100*

*(a) External Exam: 80*

*(b) Internal Exam: 20*

#### **Unit I**

Divisibility, the division algorithm and its uniqueness, Greatest common divisor and its properties. Radix-representation. Prime numbers. Euclid's first theorem, Fundamental Theorem of Arithmetic, Divisor of  $n$ , linear Diophantine equation. Necessary and sufficient condition for solvability of linear Diophantine equations.

#### **Unit II**

Sequence of primes, Euclid's Second theorem, Infinitude of primes of the form  $4n+3$  and of the form  $6n+5$ . No polynomial  $f(x)$  with integral coefficients can represent primes for all integral values of  $x$ . Fermat Numbers and their properties. Fermat Numbers are relatively prime. There are arbitrary large gaps in the sequence of primes. Congruence's, Complete Residue System (CRS), Reduced Residue System (RRS) and their properties.

#### **Unit III**

Euler's  $\phi$ -function,  $\phi(mn) = \phi(m)\phi(n)$  where  $(m, n) = 1$ , Fermat and Euler's theorems. Wilson's theorem and its application to the solution the congruence of  $x^2 \equiv -1 \pmod{p}$ , Solutions of linear Congruence's. The necessary and sufficient condition for the solution of  $a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n \equiv c \pmod{m}$ . Chinese Remainder Theorem. Congruences of higher degree  $F(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$ , where  $F(x)$  is a Polynomials. Congruence's with prime moduli. Langranges theorem, viz , the polynomial congruence  $F(x) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  of degree  $n$  has at most  $n$  roots.

#### **Unit IV**

Factor theorem and its generalization. Polynomials congruences  $F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  in several variables. Equivalence of polynomials. Theorem on the number of solutions of congruences: Chevalley's theorem, Warning's theorem. Quadratic forms over a field of characteristic  $\neq 2$  Equivalence of Quadratic forms. Witt's theorem .Representation of Field Elements. Hermite's theorem on the minima of a positive definite quadratic form and its application to the sum of two squares.

#### **TEXT BOOKS**

1. Topics in number theory by W. J . Leveque, Vol. I and II Addition Wesley Publishing Company, INC.
2. An introduction of the Theory of numbers by I. Niven and H.S Zucherman.
3. Number Theory by Boevich and Shafeviech, I.R Academic Press.

#### **SUGGESTED READINGS**

1. Analytic Number Theory by T.M Apostol, Springer international.
2. An introduction to the theory of Numbers by G.H Hardy and Wright.
3. A course in Arithmetic, by J.P. Serre, GTM Vol. springer Verlag 1973.
4. An elementary Number theory of E. Landau.