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**CORE COURSE IN MATHEMATICS**  
**3B03MAT – Elements of Mathematics – I**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 48

**SECTION – A**

**All the first 4 questions are compulsory. They carry 1 mark each.**

1. Exhibit a bijection between  $\mathbb{N}$  and the set of all odd integers greater than 13.
2. Find the equation whose roots are the roots of  $x^5 + 6x^4 + 6x^3 - 7x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ , with the signs changed.
3. State Sturm's theorem.
4. Give a prime number of the form  $n^2 - 4$ .

**SECTION – B**

Answer **any 8** questions from among the questions 5 to 14. These questions carry **2** marks **each**.

5. Suppose that S and T are sets such that  $T \subseteq S$ . If S is a finite set show that T is a finite set.
6. Let  $Q(x, y) : x + y = 0$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . Determine the truth values of the quantifications  $\exists y \forall x Q(x, y)$  and  $\forall x \exists y Q(x, y)$ .
7. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$  are the roots of the equation  $x^4 + px^3 + qx^2 + rx + s = 0$ , find the value of  $\sum \alpha^2 \beta^2$ .

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8. Solve the equation,  $4x^4 - 20x^3 + 33x^2 - 20x + 4 = 0$ .
9. Find the sum of the reciprocals of the roots of the equation,  
 $x^5 + x^2 + 10x + 105 = 0$ .
10. Find the number of real roots of the equation,  $x^4 - 14x^2 + 16x + 9 = 0$ .
11. Find the sum of the trigonometric series,  $\frac{\sin \alpha}{1!} + \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{2!} + \frac{\sin 3\alpha}{3!} + \dots$
12. Prove that the square of any integer is either of the form  $3k$  or  $3k + 1$ .
13. Prove that the product of four consecutive integers is one less than a perfect square.
14. Show that any composite three-digit number must have a prime factor less than or equal to 31.

## SECTION - C

Answer **any 4** questions from among the questions **15 to 20**. These questions carry **4** marks **each**.

15. Show that the set of all rational numbers is denumerable.
16. If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are the roots of  $x^3 + px^2 + qx + r = 0$ , form the equation whose roots are  $\beta + \gamma - 2\alpha, \gamma + \alpha - 2\beta, \alpha + \beta - 2\gamma$ .
17. Show that the sum of the eleventh powers of the roots of  $x^7 + 5x^4 + 1 = 0$  is zero.
18. Solve :  $x^4 - 2x^3 - 12x^2 + 10x + 3 = 0$ .
19. Determine all solutions in the positive integers of the diophantine equation,  
 $18x + 5y = 48$ .
20. Find the remainder when  $2^{50}$  is divided by 7.



## SECTION - D

Answer **any 2** questions from among the questions **21 to 24**. These questions carry **6** marks **each**.

21. Consider the following propositional functions defined on the domain of all things :

$T(x)$  :  $x$  is a tool,  $R(x)$  :  $x$  is in the correct place,

$E(x)$  :  $x$  is in excellent condition.

Write each of the following statements using these propositional functions, quantifiers and logical operations.

- Something is not in the correct place.
  - All tools are in the correct place and are in excellent condition.
  - Everything is in the correct place and in excellent condition.
  - Nothing is in the correct place and is in excellent condition.
  - One of your tools is not in the correct place, but it is in excellent condition.
22. Solve the equation  $6x^5 - x^4 - 43x^3 + 43x^2 + x - 6 = 0$ .
23. Solve by Cardan's method :  $x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$ .
24. a) Show that the number of primers is infinite.  
b) If  $p \geq 5$  is a prime number, show that  $p^2 + 2$  is composite.