



# ELEMENTS OF NUMBER THEORY & CONGRUENCES

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1) If  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b \neq 0 \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $a/b, b/a$  then

- 1)  $a=b$
- 2)  $a=1$
- 3)  $b=1$
- 4)  $a=\pm b$

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Ans : is 4 known result.

If  $a/b \Rightarrow b=ma \rightarrow (1)$  where  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$

&  $b/a \Rightarrow a=bn \rightarrow (2)$  where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

from (1) & (2),  $a=(am)n=a(mn)$

$\Rightarrow mn=1$ , possible if  $m=1$  &  $n=1$

or  $m=-1$  &  $n=-1$ . For the values of

$n=1$  &  $-1$  then (2)  $\rightarrow a=\pm b$

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- 2) 0 and 1 are
- 1) primes
  - 2) composite numbers
  - 3) neither prime nor composite
  - 4) none of these

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**Ans : is 3**

**by defn. of prime & composite**

**numbers its implied**

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- 3) If  $(ab,c) = 1$  &  $(a, c)=1$  then  $(b, c)=$
- 1) 1
  - 2) c
  - 3) b
  - 4) none of the these

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Ans : is '  
known result

$$(a, c) = 1, (b, c) = 1 \Rightarrow (ab, c) = 1$$

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4) If  $p$  is prime number then  $p/ab \Rightarrow$

- 1)  $p/a$
- 2)  $p/b$
- 3)  $p/a$  or  $p/b$
- 4) none of the these

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Ans : is 3, known result  
 $p/ab \Rightarrow p/a \text{ or } p/b$

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5) **111.....1 (91 times) is**

- 1) a composite number
- 2) a prime number
- 3) a surd
- 4) Irrational

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Ans : is 1

since  $91 = 7 \times 13$

$$\frac{1111\dots1}{91 \text{ times}} = \frac{1111111}{7 \text{ times}} \cdot \frac{1111111}{7 \text{ times}} \dots \text{(13 factors)}$$

& ∴ it is divisible by 1111111. (7 times)

∴ It is a composite number.

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- 6) The number of positive divisors of 1400, including 1 and itself is
- 1) 18
  - 2) 24
  - 3) 22
  - 4) 21

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Ans : is 2

$$1400 = 2^3 \times 5^2 \times 7$$

$$\therefore T(1400) = (3+1)(2+1)(+1)$$

$$= 24$$

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7) The sum of all positive divisors of 960 excluding 1 and itself is

- 1) 3047
- 2) 2180
- 3) 2087
- 4) 3087

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Ans : is 3

$$960 = 2^6 \times 3 \times 5$$

$$S(960) = \left( \frac{2^{6+1} - 1}{3 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{3^{1+1} - 1}{3 - 1} \right) \left( \frac{5^{1+1} - 1}{5 - 1} \right)$$

$$= 127 \times 4 \times 6 = 3048$$

$$\text{but } 3048 - 960 - 1 = 2087.$$

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8) If  $(a+b)^3 \equiv x \pmod{a}$  then

- 1)  $x=a^2$
- 2)  $x=b^3$
- 3)  $x=a^3$
- 4)  $x=b^2$

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Ans : is 2

$$\begin{aligned}(a+b)^3 &= a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3 \\ \Rightarrow (a+b)^3 - b^3 &= a(a^2 + 3ab + 3b^2) = ak \\ \Rightarrow a / [(a+b)^3 - b^3] &\\ \therefore (a+b)^3 &\equiv b^3 \pmod{a}\end{aligned}$$

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9) Which of the following statement is false ?

- 1)  $98 \equiv -7 \pmod{3}$
- 2)  $67 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$
- 3)  $123 \equiv -4 \pmod{7}$
- 4)  $240 \equiv 9 \pmod{11}$

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Ans : is 3

$123 + 4 = 127$  is not a multiple of 7

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10) If  $100 \equiv x \pmod{7}$ , then the least positive value of  $x$  is

- 1) 1
- 2) 3
- 3) 4
- 4) 2

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Ans : is 4

$7 / (100 - x)$  when  $x = 2$ ,

$7 / 98$

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11) When  $5^{20}$  is divided by 7 the remainder is

- 1) 1
- 2) 3
- 3) 4
- 4) 6

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Ans : is 3

$$5^3 = 125 \equiv -1 \pmod{7}$$

$$\therefore (5^3)^6 \equiv (-1)^6 \pmod{7}$$

$$5^{18} \cdot 5^2 \equiv 1 \cdot 5^2 \pmod{7}$$

$$\therefore 5^{20} \equiv 25 \pmod{7} \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

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12) The last digit in  $7^{291}$  is

- 1) 1
- 2) 3
- 3) 7
- 4) 9

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Ans : is 2

$$7^2 = 49 \equiv -1 \pmod{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow (7^2)^{145} \equiv (-1)^{145} \pmod{10}$$

$$7^{290} \equiv -1 \pmod{10}$$

$$\text{also } 7 \equiv -3 \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 7^{190} \times 7 \equiv (-1)(-3) \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 7^{291} \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$$

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13) The digit in the unit place of the number  $183! + 3^{183}$  is

- 1) 7
- 2) 6
- 3) 3
- 4) 0

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Ans : is 1

Unit place in  $183!$  is 0 ( $\because$  it is a factor of 10)

$$\& 3^2 = 9 \equiv -1 \pmod{10}$$

$$(3^2)^{91} \equiv (-1)^{91} \pmod{10} = -1 \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 3^{182} \equiv -1 \pmod{10} \text{ also, } 3 \equiv -7 \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 3^{182} \cdot 3 \equiv (-1) (-7) \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 3^{183} \equiv 7 \pmod{10}$$

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- 14) If  $-17 \equiv 3 \pmod{x}$ , then  $x$  can take the value
- 1) 7
  - 2) 3
  - 3) 5
  - 4) None of these

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Ans : is 3

$-17 - 3 = - 20$  is divisible  
by 5

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15) The smallest positive divisor of a composite integer  $a (>1)$  does not exceed

- 1)  $a^2$
- 2)  $\sqrt[3]{a}$
- 3)  $a^3$
- 4)  $\sqrt{a}$

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**Ans : is 4**

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16) Which following linear congruences has no solution

- 1)  $4x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$
- 2)  $3x \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$
- 3)  $5x \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$
- 4)  $2x \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

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Ans : is 2

Since  $(3, 6) = 3$  & 3 does not divide 2

$\therefore$  No solution

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17) The relation congruence modulo  $m$  is

- 1) Reflexive
- 2) Symmetric
- 3) Transitive only
- 4) All of these

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Ans : is 4

Known result

$\therefore a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  is an equivalence

relation

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- 18) The least positive integer to which  $79 \times 101 \times 125$  is divided by 11 is
- 1) 5
  - 2) 6
  - 3) 4
  - 4) 8

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Ans : is 1

$$79 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}, 101 \equiv 2 \pmod{11}$$

&  $125 \equiv 4 \pmod{11}$  multiplying these,

$$79 \times 101 \times 125 \equiv 2 \times 2 \times 4 \equiv 16 \pmod{11}$$

but  $16 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$

$$\therefore 79 \times 101 \times 125 \equiv 5 \pmod{11}$$

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19) If  $p = q \pmod{m}$  if and only if

- 1)  $(p - q) / m$
- 2)  $m/(p - q)$
- 3)  $m/p$
- 4)  $m/q$

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Ans : is 2

by very defn. Of congruence

i.e. if  $a \equiv b \pmod{m} \Rightarrow m|(a-b)$

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20) When  $2^{100}$  is divided by 11, the remainder is

- 1) 3
- 2) 5
- 3) 1
- 4) 2

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Ans : is 3

$$2^5 = 32 \equiv -1 \pmod{11}$$

$$\therefore (2^5)^{20} \equiv (-1)^{20} \pmod{11}$$

$$\therefore 2^{100} \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$$

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21) If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $(a, m) = 1$ ,  
then

- 1)  $(a, b) = 1$
- 2)  $(b, m) = 1$
- 3)  $(b, m) = a$
- 4)  $(a, b) = m$

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**Ans : is 2**

**Known result**

**$(a,m) = (b,m) = 1$**

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22) If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  then  $n^3 - n$  is divisible by

- 1) 6 but not 24
- 2) 12 but not 24
- 3) 24
- 4) 12 & 24

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Ans : is 2

n is a multiple of 4

if  $n=4$ ,  $n^3 - n = 60$

$\therefore 12/60, 6/60$  but 24 does not  
divided by 60

Thus 6 & 12 divide  $n^3 - n$ .

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23) If  $195 \equiv 35 \pmod{M+2}$  then  
 $m =$

- 1) 4
- 2) 5
- 3) 0
- 4) 7

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Ans : is 3

$$(m+2) / (195-35) \Rightarrow (m+2) / 160$$

$$\Rightarrow m+2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow m+2 = 2, 4, 5, 8 \dots \text{etc.}$$

$$\Rightarrow m= 0, 2, 3, 6 \text{ etc.,}$$

∴ (3) is the answer

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24) If  $2^8 \equiv (a+1) \pmod{7}$  is true then  
a is

- 1) 3
- 2) 4
- 3) 0
- 4) 5

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Ans : is 1

$$2^6 = 64 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$$

$$2^6 \cdot 2^2 = 1 \cdot 2^2 \pmod{7}$$

$$\therefore 2^8 \equiv 4 \pmod{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow a+1 = 4 \text{ i.e., } (a=3)$$

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25) The unit digit in  $13^{37}$  is

- 1) 5
- 2) 2
- 3) 6
- 4) 3

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Ans : is 4

$$13^2 = 169 \equiv -1 \pmod{10}$$

$$(13^2)^{18} \equiv (-1)^{18} \pmod{10}$$

$$13^{36} \cdot 13 \equiv 1 \cdot 13 \pmod{10}$$

$$\therefore 13^{37} \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$$

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26) The number of incongruent solutions of  $24x \equiv 8 \pmod{32}$  is

- 1) 2
- 2) 4
- 3) 6
- 4) 8

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Ans : is 4

by thm.

$$(24, 32) = 8 \text{ & } 8/8$$

∴ the number of incongruent  
solutions = 8

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27) The remainder when  $3^{100} \times 2^{50}$  is divided by 5 is

- 1) 3
- 2) 4
- 3) 1
- 4) 2

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Ans : is 2

$$3^2 = 9 \equiv -1 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow (3^2)^{50} \equiv (-1)^{50} \pmod{5}$$

$$\therefore 3^{100} \equiv 1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\& 2^2 = 4 \equiv -1 \pmod{5} \Rightarrow (2^2)^{25} \equiv (-1)^{25} \pmod{5}$$

$$\therefore 2^{50} \equiv -1 \pmod{5} \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) \times (2) \rightarrow 3^{100} \times 2^{50} \equiv 1 \times -1 \pmod{5} \equiv -1 \pmod{5}$$

$$\text{but } -1 \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

$$\therefore 3^{100} \times 2^{50} \equiv 4 \pmod{5}$$

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28) If  $a$  and  $b$  are positive integers such that  $a^2 - b^2$  is a prime number, then  $a^2 - b^2$  is

- 1)  $a+b$
- 2)  $a - b$
- 3)  $ab$
- 4) 1

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Ans : is 1

$a^2 - b^2 = (a+b)(a-b)$  is a prime.

$\therefore (a+b)(a-b)$  is divisible by 1 or

its self. But  $a - b < a+b \therefore a-b=1$

$\therefore a^2 - b^2 = a+b$

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29) Which of the following is a prime number ?

- 1) 370261
- 2) 1003
- 3) 73271
- 4) 667

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Ans : is 1

$17/1003$ ,  $11/73271$  &  $29/667$ .

but none of the  
prime & less than 608

divides the first No.

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30) Which of the following is false ?

- 1) An odd number is relatively prime to the next even number
- 2)  $3x \equiv 4 \pmod{6}$  has solution
- 3)  $ax \equiv bx \pmod{m} ; x \neq 0 \Rightarrow a \equiv b \pmod{m}$
- 4)  $a.x + b.y = d \Rightarrow (a, b) = d$

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Ans : is 2

$(3,6) = 3$  but 3 does not divides 4  
 $\therefore$  no solution.

Remaining are all known results

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31) For all positive values of  $p, q, r,$   
and  $s,$   $\frac{(p^2 + p + 1)(q^2 + q + 1)(r^2 + r + 1)(s^2 + s + 1)}{pqrs}$

will not be less than

- 1) 81
- 2) 91
- 3) 101
- 4) 111

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Ans : is 1

$$\frac{p^2 + p + 1}{p} = p + 1 + \frac{1}{p} \geq 3 \quad (\because p \text{ is } +\text{ve integer})$$

|||ly

$$\frac{q^2 + q + 1}{q} = q + 1 + \frac{1}{q} \geq 3 \text{ etc.}$$

∴ given expression is  $\geq 3.3.3.3=81$ .

∴ expression cannot be less than 81.

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32) If  $(a+b)^n \equiv x \pmod{a}$ , then (n is a +ve integer)

- 1)  $x = a^2$
- 2)  $x = a^n$
- 3)  $x = b^n$
- 4) none of these

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Ans : is 3

$$(a+b)^n = a^n + {}^nC_1 a^{n-1} \cdot b + \dots + {}^nC_{n-1} a b^{n-1} + b^n$$

$$\therefore (a+b)^n - b^n = a [a^{n-1} + {}^nC_1 a^{n-2} \cdot b + \dots + {}^nC_{n-1} b^{n-1}]$$

$$(a+b)^n - b^n = ak \text{ where } k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$\therefore a / [(a+b)^n - b^n]$$

$$\Rightarrow (a+b)^n \equiv b^n \pmod{a}$$

$$\therefore x = b^n$$

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33) If  $27 = 189m + 24n$  then m & n are

- 1) unique
- 2) not unique
- 3) prime numbers
- 4) none of these

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Ans : is 2

If  $(a,b) = d \Rightarrow d = ax + by$

where  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Here  $x, y$  are not unique.

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34) If  $2x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ , then the values of  $x$  such that  $9 \leq x \leq 30$  are

- 1) 12, 19, 26
- 2) 11, 18, 25
- 3) 10, 17, 24
- 4) None of these

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Ans : is 1

The soln. is  $x \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$

∴ Soln. set is { .... 2, 5, 12, 19, 26, 33, .... }

∴ required values of x are 12, 19, 26.

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- 35) If  $p$  is a prime number and  $P$  is the product of all prime numbers less than or equal to  $p_1$ , then
- 1)  $P - 1$  is a prime
  - 2)  $P + 1$  is not a prime number
  - 3)  $P + 1$  is a prime number
  - 4)  $P + 1$  is a composite number

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**Ans : is 3**

**Known result while proving  
the thm. The primes are infinite.**

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- 36)  $4x + 9 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$  can be written as
- 1)  $x \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$
  - 2)  $x \equiv 3 \pmod{15}$
  - 3)  $x \equiv 6 \pmod{15}$
  - 4) None of these

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Ans : is 3

when  $x=6$ ,  $4.6+9 = 33 \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$

it satisfies the given congruence.

Hence (3) is right answer

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37) If  $(3-x) \equiv (2x-5) \pmod{4}$ , then one of the values of  $x$  is

- 1) 3
- 2) 4
- 3) 18
- 4) 5

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Ans : is 2

$3-x-2x+5 = -3x+8$  is divisible by 4

when  $x=4$ ,  $-3(4)+8 = -4$

is divisible by 4.

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- 38) The remainder when  $64 \times 65 \times 66$  is divided by 67 is
- 1) 60
  - 2) 61
  - 3) 62
  - 4) 63

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Ans : is 2

$$64 \times 65 \times 66 \equiv (-3) (-2) (-1) (\text{mod } 67)$$

$$\equiv -6 (\text{mod } 67)$$

$$\equiv 61 (\text{mod } 67)$$

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1) If  $x, y, z$  are three elements of a group and then  $(xy^{-1}z)^{-1} =$

- 1)  $x^{-1}y^{-1}z^{-1}$
- 2)  $x^{-1}yz$
- 3)  $z^{-1}yx^{-1}$
- 4)  $(xy^{-1}z)^{-1}$

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Ans : is 3

since  $(a * b)^{-1} = b^{-1} * a^{-1}$ .

Question is just

extension of this property.

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- 2) If  $a * b = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$ , then  $*$  is a binary operation on
- 1) R
  - 2)  $\mathbb{Q}^+$
  - 3)  $\mathbb{R}_o$
  - 4)  $\mathbb{R}^+$

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Ans : is 4

if  $a = -1, b = 3$  then

$$a * b = \sqrt{-1 + \sqrt{3}} \in C$$

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3) The identity element of  $a * b = a^{b-1}$   
is

- 1) 1
- 2) 0
- 3) 2
- 4) -1

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Ans : is 3

$$a * e = a \Rightarrow a^{e-1} = a$$

$$\Rightarrow e - 1 = 1 \Rightarrow e = 2$$

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- 4) In the group of rational numbers under a binary operation  $*$  defined by  $a * b = a+b-1$  then identity element is
- 1) 1
  - 2) 0
  - 3) 2
  - 4) -1

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Ans : is  $1$

$$a * e = a \Rightarrow a + e - 1 = a$$

$$\therefore e - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow e = 1$$

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- 5) The set  $G = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$  w.r.t. addition does not form a group since.
- 1) The closure axiom is not satisfied
- 2) The associative axiom is not satisfied
- 3) The commutative axiom is not satisfied
- 4) Identity axiom is not satisfied

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Ans : is 1

since  $2, 3 \in G$  but  $2+3=5 \notin G$

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- 6) If  $a * b = 2a - 3b$  on the set of integers. Then  $*$  is
- 1) Associative but not commutative
  - 2) Associative and commutative
  - 3) A binary operation
  - 4) Commutative but not associative

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Ans : is 3

$\forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, a * b = 2a - 3b \in \mathbb{Z}$

(i.e., if  $a = 1, b = -2$  then

$$2 \cdot 1 - 3(-2) = 2 + 6 = 8 \in \mathbb{Z} )$$

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- 7) In the multiplicative group of cube roots of unity the inverse of  $w^{99}$  is
- 1)  $w$
  - 2) 1
  - 3)  $w^2$
  - 4) Does not exist.

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Ans : is 2

$$w^3 = 1$$

$$\therefore (w^3)^{33} = 1$$

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8) The incorrect statement is

- 1) In  $(G, \cdot)$   $ab=ac \Rightarrow b=c, \forall a, b, c \in G$
- 2) Cube roots of unity form an abelian group under addition
- 3) In a abelian group  $(ab)^3=a^3b^3, \forall a, b \in G$
- 4) In a group of even order, there exists atleast two elements with their own inverse.

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Ans : is 2

Cube roots of unity;  $1, w, w^2$

form an abelian group

under multiplication

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9) If H & K are two subgroups of a group G, then identify the correct statement

- 1)  $H \cap K$  is a sub group
- 2)  $H \cup K$  is a sub group
- 3) Neither  $H \cup K$  nor  $H \cap K$  is sub group
- 4) Nothing can be said about  $H \cup K$  and  $H \cap K$

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Ans : is 1

Let  $H = \{0, 2, 4\}$ ,  $K = \{0, 3\}$  are subgroups of  $G = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  under  $+_6$

i.e.,  $H \cup K = \{0, 2, 3, 4\}$  is not closed

i.e.,  $2+3=5 \notin H \cup K$

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10) In the group  $G = \{e, a, b\}$  of order 3,  $a^5b^4$  is

- 1) 3
- 2)  $ab$
- 3)  $a$
- 4)  $b$

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Ans : is 3

$$ab=e \Rightarrow (ab)^4 = e$$

$$\text{i.e. } a(a^4b^4) = ae$$

$$\Rightarrow a^5b^4=a$$

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11) In a group  $(G, *)$ ,  $a * x = b$  where  $a, b \in G$  has

- 1) Unique solution
- 2) No solution
- 3) More than one solution
- 4) Infinite number of solution

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Ans : is  $^{-1}$

$$a * x = b \Rightarrow a^{-1} * (a * x) = a^{-1} * b$$

$$(a^{-1} * a) * x = a^{-1} * b \Rightarrow x = a^{-1} * b$$

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- 12) The set of (non singular) matrices of order  $2 \times 2$  over  $\mathbb{Z}$  under matrix multiplication is
- 1) Group
  - 2) Semi group
  - 3) Abelian group
  - 4) Non-abelian group

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Ans : is 2

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in M$$

$$\text{When } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, |A| = 2 \text{ but } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

but  $\frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ 

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13) Which of the following is a subgroup of  $G=\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  under addition modulo 6

- 1)  $\{0, 2\}$
- 2)  $\{0, 1\}$
- 3)  $\{0, 4\}$
- 4)  $\{0, 3\}$

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Ans : is 4

$2+_{_6}2=4 \notin \{0,2\}$  etc.,

but  $3+_{_6}3=0$

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14) The set of integers is

- 1) Finite group
- 2) Additive group
- 3) Multiplicative group
- 4) None of these

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**Ans : is 2**

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- 15) The set of all integers is not a group under multiplication because
- 1) Closure property fails
  - 2) Associative law does not hold good
  - 3) There is no identity element
  - 4) There is no inverse

*Mathematics*



**Ans : is 4**

**Inverse 0 does not exists**

**(also  $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$  but  $2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \notin \mathbb{Z}$ )**

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16) A subset  $H$  of a group  $(G, *)$  is a subgroup of  $G$  iff

- 1)  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b \in H$
- 2)  $a \in H \Rightarrow a^{-1} \in H$
- 3)  $a, b \in H \Rightarrow a * b^{-1} \in H$
- 4)  $H$  contains identity off  $G$ .

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**Ans : is 3**

**By thm.**

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- 17)  $Z_n = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)\}$  fails to be a group under multiplication modulo  $n$  because
- 1) Closure property fails
  - 2) Closure holds but not associativity
  - 3) There is no identity
  - 4) There is no inverse for an element of the set

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 4

at least for one element '0'

has no inverse in  $Z_n$ .

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18)  $G = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} : x \neq 0 \text{ & } x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$  is an abelian group under matrix multiplication. Then the identity element is

- 1)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- 2)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- 3)  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$
- 4)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

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Ans : is 3

$$A(x) = \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix}, A(e) = \begin{bmatrix} e & e \\ e & e \end{bmatrix} \text{ then}$$

$$A(x) \cdot A(e) = A(x) \text{ then}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2xe & 2xe \\ 2xe & 2xe \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x & x \\ x & x \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow 2xe = x$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{1}{2} \therefore A(e) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

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19) In the group  $G = \{3, 6, 9, 12\}$  under  $x_{15}$ , the identity is

- 1) 3
- 2) 6
- 3) 9
- 4) 12

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Ans : is 2

Since  $3 \times_{15} 6 = 3$ ,  $6 \times_{15} 6 = 6$

$9 \times_{15} 6 = 9$  etc.,

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20) The set of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices over the real numbers is not a group under matrix multiplication because

- 1) Inverse law is not satisfied
- 2) Associative law is not satisfied
- 3) Identity element does not exist
- 4) Closure law is not satisfied

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 1

If A is a singular matrix  
of  $2 \times 2$  order matrix then

$A^{-1}$  does not exist.

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21)  $(\mathbb{Z}, *)$  is a group with  $a * b = a+b+1, \forall a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ . The inverse of  $a$  is

- 1)  $a+2$
- 2)  $-a+2$
- 3)  $-a-2$
- 4)  $a-2$

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 3

$$a * e = a \Rightarrow a + e + 1 = a \Rightarrow e = -1$$

$$a * a^{-1} = e \Rightarrow a + a^{-1} + 1 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1} = -2 - a$$

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22) The four matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$  under multiplication form is

- 1) a group
- 2) a semi group
- 3) an abelian group
- 4) infinite group

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 3

Taking them as I, A, B, C

then  $AB=C$ ,  $BC=A$ , etc., &  $A.I=A$  etc.

Also,  $A.A=I \Rightarrow A^{-1}=A$  |||<sup>ly</sup>  $B^{-1}=B$ ,

$C^{-1}=C$  also  $AB=BA$

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23) In the group  $(G, *)$ ,  $a * b = \frac{ab}{5}$  where  $\forall a, b \in G$ . The identity and inverse of 8 are respectively.

- 1) 5 &  $\frac{1}{5}$
- 2) 5 &  $\frac{25}{8}$
- 3) 5 &  $\frac{8}{25}$
- 4) 5 &  $\frac{3}{5}$

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Ans : is 2

$$a * e = a \Rightarrow ae/5 = a \Rightarrow e = 5$$

$$\text{&} a * a^{-1} = e \Rightarrow \frac{aa^{-1}}{5} = 5 \Rightarrow a^{-1} = \frac{25}{a}$$

$$\therefore 8^{-1} = \frac{25}{8}$$

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24) The proper subgroups of the group  $G = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  under addition modulo 6 are

- 1)  $\{0, 3\}$  and  $\{0, 2, 4\}$
- 2)  $\{0, 1, 3\}$  and  $\{0, 1, 4\}$
- 3)  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $\{3, 4, 5\}$
- 4)  $\{0\}$  and  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 1

Since  $O(G)=6$  &  $6=2 \times 3$

∴ It has proper subgroups of orders  
2 & 3

In (1)  $3+_6 3=0$  &  $2+_6 2=4$ ,  $4+_6 2=0$   
 $4+_6 4=2$  all in the sets

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25) In the group  $G = \{1, 3, 7, 9\}$  under multiplication modulo 10,  
the value of  $(3 \times_{10} 7^{-1})^{-1}$  is

- 1) 5
- 2) 3
- 3) 7
- 4) 9

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Ans : is 4

$$e=1$$

$$7 \times_{10} 3 = 1 \Rightarrow 7^{-1} = 3$$

$$\therefore 3 \times_{10} 3 = 9$$

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26) The incorrect statement is

- 1) The identity element in a group is unique
- 2) In a group of even order, there exists an element  $a \neq e$  such that  $a^2 = e$ .
- 3) The cube roots of unity are ,  $1, \frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$
- 4) In an abelian group  $(ab)^2 = a^2b^2, \forall a, b \in G$ .

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Ans : is 3

Cube roots of unity are

$$1, \frac{-1 + i\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{-1 - i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

where

$$1, w = \frac{-1 + i\sqrt{3}}{2}, w^2 = \frac{-1 - i\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

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27) In the multiplicative group of fourth roots of unity the inverse of  $i^{103}$  is

- 1) 1
- 2) -1
- 3) i
- 4) -i

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Ans : is 3

$$\begin{aligned} i^{103} &= i^{100} \cdot i^3 = (i^4)^{25} \cdot (i^2) \cdot i \\ &= 1 \cdot (-1) \cdot i = -i \end{aligned}$$

∴ inverse of  $-i$  is  $i$ .

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28) Let  $Q_1 = Q - \{1\}$  be the set of all rationals except 1 and  $*$  is defined as  $a * b = a + b - ab \forall a, b \in Q_1$ . The inverse of 2 is

- 1) 2
- 2) 1
- 3) 0
- 4) -2

Mathematics



Ans : is 1

$$a * e = a \Rightarrow a + e - ae = a$$

$$\Rightarrow e(1-a) = 0 \Rightarrow e = 0 \quad (\because a \neq 1 \notin Q_1)$$

$$\text{&} a * a^{-1} = e \Rightarrow a + a^{-1} - aa^{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^{-1}(1-a) = -a \Rightarrow a^{-1} = \frac{-a}{1-a}$$

$$(\because 1-a \neq 0)$$

$$\therefore 2^{-1} = \frac{-2}{1-2} \Rightarrow 2^{-1} = 2$$

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29) In the group  $\{\mathbb{Z}_6, + \text{ (mod } 6\}\}$ ,  
 $2+4^{-1} + 3^{-1}$  is equal to

- 1) 2
- 2) 1
- 3) 4
- 4) 3

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 2

$e=0$

$$\therefore 2+{}_6^4-1+{}_6^3-1 = 2+{}_6^2+{}_6^3 = 1$$

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30) Every group of order 7 is

- 1) Not abelian
- 2) Not cyclic
- 3) Cyclic
- 4) None of these

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Ans : is 3

Every group of prime  
order is cyclic

7 is prime

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31) If  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$   
are two permutations in group  
 $S_4$ , then  $(h \times g)(2) =$

- 1) 2
- 2) 1
- 3) 3
- 4) 4



Ans : is 2

$$(hxg)2 = h[g(2)] = h(3) = 1$$

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32) If  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  then  $g^{-1}$

- 1)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$
- 2)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$
- 3)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- 4)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$



Ans : is 1

$$gg^{-1} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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33) In the group  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  under multiplication modulo 7,  
 $5x=4$  has the solution  $x =$

- 1) 0.8
- 2) 2
- 3) 3
- 4) 5

*Mathematics*



Ans : is 4

$$(e=1)$$

$$5x_73=1 \Rightarrow 5^{-1} = 3$$

$$\therefore 5x=4 \Rightarrow x= 5^{-1}x_74 = 3x_74=5$$

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34) In the group  $G=\{2, 4, 6, 8\}$  under  $X_{10}$ , the inverse of 4 is

- 1) 6
- 2) 8
- 3) 4
- 4) 2

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Ans : is 3

Here  $e=6$  since  $4 \times_{10} 6 = 4$  etc.

$$\therefore 4 \times_{10} 4 = 6 \Rightarrow 4^{-1} = 4$$

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35) The Set  $\{-1, 0, 1\}$  is not a group w.r.t. addition because it does not satisfy

- 1) Closure property
- 2) Associative law
- 3) Existence of identity
- 4) Existence of inverse

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Ans : is 1

$1+1=2 \notin$  the set

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- 36) If every element of a group G is its own inverse, then G is
- 1) Finite
  - 2) Infinite
  - 3) Cyclic
  - 4) Abelian

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Ans : is 4

since  $a = a^{-1}$ ,  $b = b^{-1} \forall a, b \in G$

Now  $(ab)^{-1} = ab$  (by hypothesis)

$\Rightarrow b^{-1}a^{-1} = ab$ , by property

$\Rightarrow ba = ab$

$\therefore G$  is abelian

*Mathematics*



37) If  $a, b, c$ , are three elements of a group  $(G, *)$ , and  $(a * b) * x = c$ , then  $x =$

- 1)  $c * (a^{-1} * b^{-1})$
- 2)  $c * (b^{-1} * a^{-1})$
- 3)  $(b^{-1} * c^{-1}) * c$
- 4)  $(a^{-1} * b^{-1}) * c$

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Ans : is 3

$$(a * b)^{-1} * (a * b) * x = (a * b)^{-1} * c$$

$$e * x = (b^{-1} * a^{-1}) * c$$

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- 38) If  $\{ z_7, x_7 \}$  is a group, then the inverse of 6 is
- 1) 6
  - 2) 4
  - 3) 1
  - 4) 3

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Ans : is 1

since  $6 \times 6 = 36 \equiv 1 \pmod{7}$

where  $e = 1$

$$\therefore 6^{-1} = 6$$

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