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2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS  
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**FOR THE DEGREE IN  
(INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/ COMPUTER  
SCIENCE)**

**COURSE CODE: BIT 111/CSC 112**

**COURSE TITLE: DISCRETE STRUCTURES**

**DATE: 27/09/2021**

**TIME: 2.00 PM-4.00 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO.**

**QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)****[30 MARKS]**

- a. List the elements of each set where  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ .
- $A = \{x \in N \mid 3 < x < 9\}$  [1 mark]
  - $B = \{x \in N \mid x \text{ is even, } x < 11\}$  [1 mark]
  - $C = \{x \in N \mid 4 + x = 3\}$  [1 mark]
- b. Given that set  $A = \{x_1, x_2\}$  and set  $B = \{y_1, y_2\}$ . Define the cross product of A and B and show that Cartesian product is not commutative. [3 marks]
- c. Let  $U = \{1, 2, \dots, 9\}$  be the universal set, and let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $C = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ ,  $E = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ ,
- d.  $B = \{4, 5, 6, 7\}$ ,  $D = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$  and  $F = \{1, 5, 9\}$ .
- Find:
- $A \cup B$  and  $A \cap B$  [2 marks]
  - $A \cup C$  and  $A \cap C$  [2 marks]
  - $D \cup F$  and  $D \cap F$ . [2 marks]
- e. Prove by the method of induction that for all  $n \in N$  then,
- $$\frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n}{3(2n+3)}$$
- [4 marks]
- f. Find the inverse ( $f^{-1}$ ) of  $f(x) = 4x^3 - 7$  [2 marks]
- g. Find a counterexample for each statement were  $U = \{3, 5, 7, 9\}$  is the universal set:
- $\forall x, x + 3 \geq 7$  [1 mark]
  - $\forall x, |x| = x$  [1 mark]
- h. Let p be "It is cold" and let q be "It is raining". Give a simple verbal sentence which describes each of the following statements:  $p \wedge q$ ;  $q \vee \neg p$  [2marks]
- i. Evaluate the following
- $C_{(11, 5)}$  [2 marks]
  - Value of n if  $P(n, 2) = 72$ . [2 marks]
- j. A survey of 80 car owners shows that 24 own a foreign-made car and 60 own a domestic-made car. Find the number of them who own:
- only a foreign made car; [2 marks]
  - only a domestic made car. [2 marks]

**QUESTION TWO****[20 MARKS]**

- a. i. Using Euclidean algorithm find the GCD and LCM of 1415 and 612. [4 marks]
- ii. Find the value of x and y in  $x(1415) + y(612) = \text{gcd}(1415, 612)$ . [4 marks]
- b. Suppose the only clothes you have are 2 t-shirts, 4 pairs of jeans and 6 pairs of shoes. In how many combinations you can choose a t-shirt, a pair of jeans and a pair of shoes? [4 marks]
- c. Prove using mathematical induction that:

$$1.2.3+2.3.4+ 3.4.5 + \dots + n(n+1)(n+2) = \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{4}$$

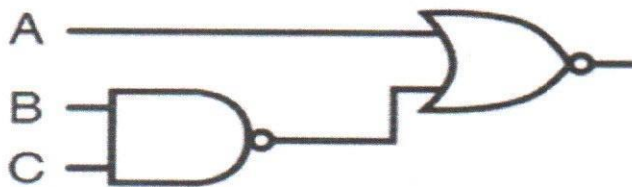
[4 marks]

- d. Let p denote "Henry eats halibut," q denote "Catherine eats kippers," and r denote "I'll eat my hat."
- Write a proposition that reads "If Henry eats halibut but Catherine does not eat kippers, then I'll eat my hat." [2 marks]
  - Write the converse, inverse, and contrapositive of the statement "If Sally finishes her work, she will go to the basketball game." [2 marks]

### QUESTION THREE

[20 MARKS]

- a. Give the universal set U representing the set of English alphabets, A a set of distinct elements of the word "crocodile", B a set of distinct elements of the word "continuous" and C a set of distinct elements of the word "myogenic". Find:
- A-C [1 mark]
  - $(A \cup B \cup C)^c$  [2 marks]
  - $|A \cup B|$  [1 mark]
  - $A \cap B$  [1 mark]
- b. Of 100 students in a university department, 45 are enrolled in English, 30 in History, 20 in Geography, 10 in at least two of three courses and just 1 student is enrolled in all three courses.
- Represent these information on a Venn diagram [4 marks]
  - How many students take none of these courses? [2 marks]
- c. In a class of 30 students, 10 got A on the first test, 9 got A on a second test, and 15 did not get an A on either test. Find: the number of students who got:
- an A on both tests; [2 marks]
  - an A on the first test but not the second; [2 marks]
  - an A on the second test but not the first. [2 marks]
- d. State the output of the following circuit. [3 marks]



### QUESTION FOUR

[20 MARKS]

- a. Given sets A, B and C such that all are non-empty sets. State the inclusive-exclusive principle. [2 marks]
- b. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Determine the truth value of each of the following statements:
- $(\exists x \in A)(x + 3 = 10)$  (c)  $(\exists x \in A)(x + 3 < 5)$  [2 marks]

- ii.  $(\forall x \in A)(x + 3 < 10)$  (d)  $(\forall x \in A)(x + 3 \leq 7)$  [2 marks]
- c. Determine the truth value of each of the following statements where  $U = \{1, 2, 3\}$  is the universal set: [3 marks]
- i.  $\forall x \exists y, x^2 + y^2 < 12$
- ii.  $\forall x \forall y, x^2 + y^2 < 12$
- d. Give the  $f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x^2}$ ,  $g(x) = 4x^2 + 7$  and  $h(x) = \frac{x^2 - 1}{x + 1}$  find:
- i. Domain and range of  $f(x)$  and  $h(x)$  [2 marks]
- ii. The inverse  $g^{-1}(x)$  of  $g(x)$  [3 marks]
- iii. Is  $g(x)$  bijective? Explain. [2 marks]
- iv.  $f(g(h(x)))$  [2 marks]
- v.  $g(h(2))$  [2 marks]

### QUESTION FIVE

[20 MARKS]

- a. Using relevant examples differentiate between a function and a relation. [2 marks]
- b. Let  $A = \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and let  $R = \{(2, 3), (3, 3), (4, 5), (5, 1)\}$ . Is  $R$  symmetric, asymmetric or antisymmetric? [2 marks]
- c. Let  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, c\}$ , and  $C = \{x, y, z\}$ . Consider the following relations  $R$  and  $S$  from  $A$  to  $B$  and from  $B$  to  $C$ , respectively.  $R = \{(1, b), (2, a), (2, c)\}$  and  $S = \{(a, y), (b, x), (c, y), (c, z)\}$
- (i) Find the composition relation  $R \circ S$ . [2 marks]
- (ii) Find the matrices  $MR$ ,  $MS$ , and  $MR \circ S$  of the respective relations  $R$ ,  $S$ , and  $R \circ S$ , and compare  $MR \circ S$  to the product  $MRMS$ . [2 marks]
- d. Let  $A, B, C$  and  $D$  be sets. Suppose  $R$  is a relation from  $A$  to  $B$ ,  $S$  is a relation from  $B$  to  $C$  and  $T$  is a relation from  $C$  to  $D$ . Then show that  $(R \circ S) \circ T = R \circ (S \circ T)$ . Let  $R$  be the relation on  $\mathbb{N}$  defined by  $x + 3y = 12$ , i.e.  $R = \{(x, y) \mid x + 3y = 12\}$ .
- i. Write  $R$  as a set of ordered pairs. (c) Find  $R^{-1}$ . [2 marks]
- ii. Find the domain and range of  $R$ . (d) Find the composition relation  $R \circ R$ . [2 marks]
- e. A women student is to answer 10 out of 13 questions. Find the number of her choices where she must answer:
- i. the first two questions [2 marks]
- ii. exactly 3 out of the first 5 questions [2 marks]
- iii. the first or second question but not both [2 marks]
- iv. at least 3 of the first 5 questions. [2 marks]