

Third Semester B.E. Degree Examination, Dec.2017/Jan.2018  
**Discrete Mathematical Structures**

Max. Marks:100

Time: 3 hrs.

Note: Answer any FIVE full questions, selecting atleast TWO questions from each part.

**PART - A**

- 1 a. For any three sets A, B and C, prove that following (06 Marks)  
 $A \cap (B \Delta C) = (A \cap B) \Delta C = (A \cap B) \Delta (A \cap C)$ .
- b. In a survey of 60 people it was found that 25 read weekly magazines, 26 read fortnightly magazines, 26 read monthly magazines, 9 read both weekly and monthly magazines, 11 read both weekly and fortnightly magazines, 8 read both fortnightly and monthly magazines and 3 read all three magazines. find  
 i) the number of people who read at least one of the three magazines and  
 ii) the number of people who read exactly one magazine. (06 Marks)
- c. A certain soccer team wins (w) with probability 0.6, losses (L) with probability 0.3, and ties (T) with probability 0.1. The team plays three games over the weekend :  
 i) Determine the elements of the event A that the team wins at least twice and does not lose ; Also find P(A).  
 ii) Determine the elements of the event B that the team wins, losses and ties in the same order ; Also find P(B). (08 Marks)
- 2 a. Prove the following : (06 Marks)  
 i)  $P \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \Leftrightarrow (P \wedge q) \rightarrow r$  ii)  $[ \neg P \wedge (\neg q \wedge r) ] \vee (q \wedge r) \vee (P \wedge r) \Leftrightarrow r$ .
- b. Express the following propositions in terms of only Nand and only Nor connectives : (06 Marks)  
 i)  $\neg P$  ii)  $P \wedge q$  iii)  $P \vee q$  iv)  $P \rightarrow q$  v)  $P \leftrightarrow q$ .
- c. Check the validity of the following argument :  
 If the band could not play rock music or the refreshments were not delivered on time, then the New Year's party would have been cancelled and Alicia would have been angry. If the party were cancelled, then refunds would have had to be made. No refunds were made. Therefore the band could play rock music. (08 Marks)
- 3 a. Write down the converse, inverse and contra positive of each of the following statements for which the set of all real numbers is the universe. Also indicate their truth values.  
 i)  $\forall x, [(x > 3) \rightarrow (x^2 > 9)]$  ii)  $\forall x, [(x^2 + 4x - 21) > 0] \rightarrow \{(x > 3) \vee (x < -7)\}$ . (06 Marks)
- b. Check the validity of the following arguments :  
 In triangle XYZ, there is no pair of angles of equal measure.  
 If a triangle has two sides of equal length, then it is isosceles.  
 If a triangle is isosceles, then it has two angles of equal measure.  
 Therefore triangle XYZ has no two sides of equal length. (08 Marks)
- c. Let n be an integer, prove that, n is odd if and only if  $7n + 8$  is odd. (06 Marks)
- 4 a. Prove the following, for all  $n \geq 1$  using the principle of Mathematical Induction : (06 Marks)  
 $\frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{2.3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = \frac{n}{n+1}$
- b. Use Mathematical induction to prove that 5 divides  $n^5 - n$ , where n is a non - negative integer. (06 Marks)

- c. For the Fibonacci sequence  $F_0, F_1, F_2, \dots$   
 ( $F_0 = 0, F_1 = 1$  and  $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ ). Prove that

$$F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[ \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left( \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right]$$

(08 Marks)

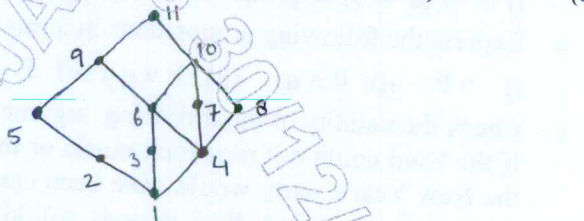
**PART - B**

- 5 a. Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5 & \text{for } x > 0 \\ -3x + 1 & \text{for } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

(06 Marks)

- i) Determine  $f(0), f(-1), f(5/3), f(-5/3)$ .  
 ii) Find  $f^{-1}(0), f^{-1}(1), f^{-1}(-1), f^{-1}(3), f^{-1}(-3), f^{-1}(-6)$ .  
 iii) What are  $f^{-1}([-5, 5])$  and  $f^{-1}([-6, 5])$ ?  
 b. Prove that function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  is invertible if and only if  $f$  is one to one and On to.  
 c. Using characteristic functions, prove that  $(A \Delta B) \Delta C = A \Delta (B \Delta C)$ .  
 For any sets  $A, B, C$  contained in a universal set  $U$ .  
 (08 Marks)  
 (06 Marks)
- 6 a. If  $R = \{(x, y) / x > y\}$  is a relation defined on the set  
 $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ , write down the matrix and the digraph of  $R$ . Also list the in - degrees and out - degrees of all vertices. (06 Marks)  
 b. Define  $R$  on  $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$  as  $(x, y) \in R$ , if  $x - y$  is a multiple of 5.  
 i) Show that  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $A$ .  
 ii) Determine the equivalence classes and partition of  $A$  induced by  $R$ . (08 Marks)  
 c. For the Poset shown in the following Hasse diagram, find i) all upper bounds ii) all lower bounds iii)  $L \cup B$  and GLB of the set  $A$ , where  $A = \{6, 7, 10\}$ . (06 Marks)



- 7 a. Prove that the cube roots of Unity form a group under usual multiplication. (06 Marks)  
 b. Prove that every subgroup of a cyclic group is cyclic. (06 Marks)  
 c. Let  $f$  be a homomorphism from a group  $G_1$  to a group  $G_2$ .  
 Prove the following:  
 i) If  $H_1$  is a subgroup of  $G_1$  and  $H_2 = f(H_1)$ , then  $H_2$  is a subgroup of  $G_2$ . (08 Marks)  
 ii) If  $f$  is an isomorphism from  $G_1$  on to  $G_2$ , then  $f^{-1}$  is an isomorphism from  $G_2$  on to  $G_1$ .
- 8 a. Let  $C$  be a group code in  $Z_2^n$ . If  $r \in Z_2^n$  is a received word and  $r$  is decoded as the code word.  $C^*$ , then prove that  $d(C^*, r) \leq d(C, r)$  for all  $c \in C$ . (06 Marks)  
 b. Find all integers  $K$  and  $m$  for which  $(z, \oplus, \odot)$  is a ring under the binary operations  
 $x \oplus y = x + y - K, x \odot y = x + y - mxy$ . (06 Marks)  
 c. i) Prove that in  $Z_n, [a]$  is a unit if and only if  $\gcd(a, n) = 1$ .  
 ii) Find all the units in  $Z_{12}$ . (08 Marks)

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