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**ICS 1104: DISCRETE MATHEMATICS**

DATE: 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Time: **2 hours**

**Instructions**

1. This examination consists of **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.

**QUESTION ONE: (30 MARKS)**

- a) Define the following terms as used in logic theory
  - i) A proposition (1 marks)
  - ii) A simple statement (1 marks)
  - iii) A truth table (1 marks)
- b) Consider the set  $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$ .
  - i. How many relations are on the set A.? (2 marks)
  - ii. Find the Power set of A. (2 marks)
- c) Seven Women and nine Men are on a faculty in the mathematics department at a school. How many ways are there to select a committee of five members of the department if at least one woman must be in the committee? (4 marks)
- d) Prove by induction that  $7 + 10 + 13 + 16 + \dots + (3n + 4) = \frac{n}{2}(3n + 11)$  (6 marks)
- e) Let  $A = \{4,5,6\}$ ,  $B = \{a,b,c\}$ .let the R be a relation defined by  $R = \{(4,b),(5,a),(6,c)\}$ .  
Find the domain, range, inverse of R and complement of R (4 marks)

f) i. Find the first five terms of the sequence defined by  $a_n = na_{n-1} + n^2a_{n-2}$ ,  $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 1$   
(3 marks)

ii. Solve the recurrence relations with Solve the recurrence relations with  
 $a_n = 2a_{n-1} + 5a_{n-2} - 6a_{n-3}$  with  $a_0 = 7, a_1 = -4, a_2 = 8$   
(6 marks)

**QUESTION TWO: (20 MARKS)**

a) Clearly state the difference between a relation and a function (2 marks)

b) Let  $M_S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $M_R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $M_{S \circ R}$  (4 marks)

c) Let  $A = \{1,2,3\}$ ,  $B = \{a,b,c\}$  and  $C = \{x,y,z\}$ . Consider the following relation R and S.  
 $R = \{(1,a), (2,b), (2,c), (3,b)\}$  and  $S = \{(a,y), (b,z), (c,x), (c,y)\}$

i. Find the composition relation  $RoS$  (3 marks)

ii. Find the elements of  $R^c$ ,  $S^c$  and  $(RoS)^c$  (3 marks)

d) Construct a relation on the set  $\{a,b,c,d\}$  with minimum number of elements that is

i. Reflexive, symmetric and transitive. (2 marks)

ii. Neither reflexive, symmetric, ant symmetric, nor transitive. (2 marks)

e) Let  $A = \{1,2,3,4,6,8,12\}$  and  $R = \{(a,b) : a \leq b\}$  Is

i. List the elements of R (2 marks)

ii. Is R a partial ordering? Justify your answer  
(2 marks)

**QUESTION THREE: (20 MARKS)**

- a) Let  $x$  be a any real number, use direct proof to show that  $x^2 - 6x + 15 \neq 0$  (4 marks)
- b) Find the first five terms of the sequence  $a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 11a_{n-2} + 6a_{n-3}$  ,  
 $a_0 = 2, a_1 = 5, a_2 = 15$   
(5 marks)
- c) Show that the sequence  $a_n = 3 \times 2^n - 2 \times 3^n$  is a solution to the recurrence relations  
 $a_n = 5a_{n-1} - 6a_{n-2}$  . (6 marks)
- d) Solve the recurrence relations with  $a_n = 6a_{n-1} - 8a_{n-2}$  with  $a_0 = 4, a_1 = 10$  (5 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) let  $A = \{1,2,3,4,5\}$ . Determine the truth value of each of the following statements
- i.  $(\exists x \in A)(x + 3 = 10)$
- ii.  $(\exists x \in A)(x + 3 < 5)$
- iii  $(\forall x \in A)(x + 3 < 10)$
- iv  $(\forall x \in A)(x + 3 \leq 7)$  (4 marks)
- b) Show that  $\neg[p \vee (\neg p \wedge q)]$  and  $\neg p \wedge \neg q$  are logically equivalent. (4 marks)
- c) i) Define permutations and combinations of  $r$  objects from  $n$  objects (2 marks)
- ii) The manager of a supermarket has been supplied with 6 products, but there are 4 available display slots for the products. Determine the number of ways the manager can arrange the products given that repetition is not allowed. (3 marks)

- d) Find the binomial expansion for  $(1 + 8x)^{1/2}$  up to and including  $x^3$ . By substituting 0.01 for  $x$  in  $(1 + 8x)^{1/2}$  and its expansion, find  $\sqrt{3}$  correct to 4 decimal place. (7 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Define the following terms as used in set theory
- i. A proper subset (1 marks)
  - ii. Absolute complement of a set A (1 marks)
  - iii. Infinite set (1 marks)
- b) Use set laws to simplify  $(A \cap B) \cup (A - B)$  (5 marks)
- c) One hundred Students were asked whether they had subscribed to any of three mobile telephone networks, Airtel, Safaricom and Orange. The results were: 35 had Airtel line, 38 had Safaricom line, 31 had Orange line, 18 had Airtel and Safaricom, 9 had Airtel and Orange, 4 had Orange and Safaricom and 23 were not connected to any of the lines;
- i. Determine the number of students who have all the three lines (4 marks)
  - ii. Draw a Venn diagram to represent the survey (3 marks)
  - iii. How many students had Airtel and Safaricom but not Orange (1 marks)
  - iv. How many students had Safaricom or Orange but not Airtel (2 marks)
  - v. How many students had at most two lines (2 marks)