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**COMPUTER SCIENCE**

(Honours Core)

**(Discrete Structure)**

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Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

***The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.***

1. Answer the following as directed :

1×10=10

- (a) Isolated vertices are vertices with \_\_\_\_\_ degree. (Fill in the blank)
- (b) If the cardinalities of two sets are same, they are called \_\_\_\_\_ sets. (Fill in the blank)
- (c) A relation  $R$  on set  $A$  is called \_\_\_\_\_ relation if  $xRy$  implies  $yRx$ ,  $\forall x \in A$  and  $\forall y \in A$ . (Fill in the blank)

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(d) In any tree (with two or more vertices), there are at least \_\_\_\_\_ pendant vertices.  
(Fill in the blank)

(e) What is the correct translation of the following statement into mathematical logic?

"Some real numbers are rational."

(i)  $\exists x (\text{real}(x) \vee \text{rational}(x))$

(ii)  $\forall x (\text{real}(x) \rightarrow \text{rational}(x))$

(iii)  $\exists x (\text{real}(x) \wedge \text{rational}(x))$

(iv)  $\forall x (\text{rational}(x) \rightarrow \text{real}(x))$

(Choose the correct option)

(f) The correct recursive definition for sequence  $1, 5, 5^2, 5^3, \dots$  is

(i)  $a_1 = 1; a_k = 5a_k$ , for  $k \geq 1$

(ii)  $a_1 = 1; a_{k+1} = 5a_k$ , for  $k \geq 1$

(iii)  $a_1 = 1; a_k = 5a_k^2$ , for  $k \geq 1$

(iv)  $a_1 = 1; a_{k+1} = 5a_{k+1}$ , for  $k \geq 1$

(Choose the correct option)

(g) What is 'contradiction' in logic?

(h) Define the Big omega ( $\Omega$ ) notation.

(i) What is 'tautology'?

(j) What is 'simple graph'?

2. Define the following terms :  $2 \times 5 = 10$

(i) Disjoint set

(ii) Recurrence tree

(iii) Asymptotic notation

(iv) Planar graph

(v) Spanning tree

3. Answer **any four** of the following :  $5 \times 4 = 20$

(a) What is pigeonhole principle? If 7 colours are used to paint 50 bicycles then *at least* how many bicycles will be of same colour.

(b) Using the principle of mathematical induction prove that for any positive integer  $n$ ,  $6^n - 1$  is divisible by 5.

(c) What do you mean by normal form in logic? Obtain the principal disjunction normal form (PDNF) for the formula

$$(\sim p \rightarrow q) \wedge (q \leftrightarrow p)$$

(d) Define 'rank' and 'nullity' of a graph. Calculate the rank and nullity for the graph in Fig. 1 :

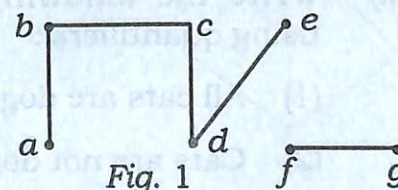


Fig. 1



- (e) Solve the recurrence relation  
 $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 1, n \geq 1$ , given  $a_0 = 1$
- (f) Define the principle of inclusion and exclusion for two sets  $A$  and  $B$ .  
 If  $|A \cup B| = 12$ ,  $A \subseteq B$  and  $|A| = 3$   
 then calculate the value of  $|B|$ .

4. Answer **any four** of the following:  $10 \times 4 = 40$

- (a) (i) Define a partial order relation.  
 If a relation  
 $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (1, 3), (2, 3)\}$   
 on set  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ , determine  
 whether  $R$  is partial order relation  
 or not? 5
- (ii) A team of four players has to be  
 selected from six boys and four  
 girls. How many different ways a  
 team can be selected, if *at least one*  
 boy must be there in the team? 5
- (b) (i) Write the following statements  
 using quantifiers: 5
- (1) All cats are dogs.  
 (2) Cats are not dogs.

- (3) Not all cats are dogs.  
 (4) There are cats that are not  
 dogs.  
 (5) Something is either a cat or a  
 dog.

- (ii) Define the logical equivalent. Show  
 that 5

$$(P \rightarrow Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow \sim Q) \equiv \sim P$$

- (c) (i) What is Hamiltonian graph? Draw  
 a graph that has a Hamiltonian  
 path but does not have a  
 Hamiltonian circuit. 5
- (ii) What is isomorphism of two  
 graphs? Are the two graphs  $G_1$  and  
 $G_2$  in Fig. 2 isomorphic? Why? 5

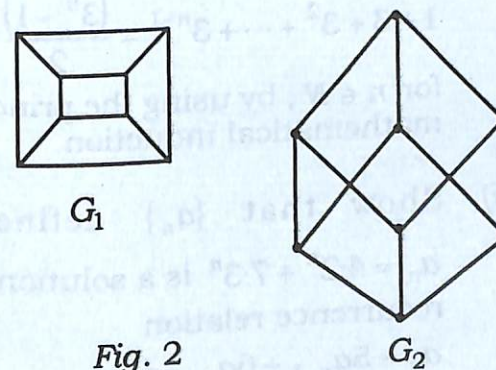


Fig. 2

$G_2$



- (d) (i) What is a valid argument? Use *any* method to show the following argument is valid: 5

$$\begin{array}{l} p \\ \hline \sim q \leftrightarrow \sim p \\ \hline \therefore q \end{array}$$

- (ii) What is spanning tree? Prove that every connected graph has *at least one* spanning tree. 5

- (e) (i) Define the asymptotic notation in detail. Calculate the Big (O), Big ( $\Omega$ ) and Big ( $\Theta$ ) for

$$f(n) = 5n^2 + n. \quad 5$$

- (ii) Define the countable infinite set and uncountable infinite set with proper example. 5

- (f) (i) Show that

$$1 + 3 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-1} = \frac{(3^n - 1)}{2},$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , by using the principle of mathematical induction. 5

- (ii) Show that  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_n = 4 \cdot 2^n + 7 \cdot 3^n$  is a solution of the recurrence relation  $a_n - 5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2} = 0$  5

- (g) (i) Define the Kuratowski's two graphs  $K_5$  and  $K_{3,3}$  with proper diagram. 5

- (ii) Prove that, 'the complete graph of five vertices is nonplanary'. 5

- (h) (i) Define the 'symmetric difference' and 'set difference' of two sets (by using Venn diagram representation). 4

- (ii) If  $A = \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,  $B = \{5, 6\}$ ,  $C = (2, 3)$ , then find—

(a)  $(C \times B) - (A \times B)$

(b)  $A \oplus B \oplus C$  6