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**Date: 06<sup>th</sup> February 2019 (Wednesday)**

**Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm**

**Instruction:**

- Answer only six questions.
- Please answer a total of six questions choosing at least one from each single section.
- All symbols are in standard notation and state any assumption that you made.

**SECTION – A**

**Q1.**

- I. Decide which of the following are propositions. What are the truth values of those that are proposition? [20%]
- a) " $x > 3$ ";
  - b) " $\sqrt{2}$  is an irrational number";
  - c) "if  $19 - 15 = 8$  then,  $10 + 3 = 17$  or  $6 + 9 = 15$ ";
  - d) "If  $x$  is an even integer, then  $x^2$  is also even".
- II. State the "convers", "inverse", and "contrapositive" of each of the following statement: [30%]
- a) If robbery was the motive for the crime then the victim had money;
  - b) If the question papers were not easy, then we do not pass the examination.
- III. Let  $p$ ,  $q$ , and  $r$  be three statements. Verify that  $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow [(p \wedge r) \rightarrow (q \wedge r)]$  is a tautology or not. [20%]
- IV. Determine the truth value and Negation of the each of the following statements: [20%]
- a)  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, |x| = x$ ;
  - b)  $\forall m \in \mathbb{R}, m < m + 2$ .

- Q2.
- V. Show that  $\sim [p \vee (\sim p \wedge q)] \equiv \sim (p \vee q)$  using laws of the algebra of propositions, where  $p, q,$  and  $r$  are propositions [10%]
- I. Test the validity of the following arguments:
- a) If I work hard, then I will get a raise.  
If I get a raise, then I will buy a boat.  
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Therefore If I don't buy a boat, then I must not have worked hard. [25%]
- b) If there is cream, then I will drink coffee.  
If there is a donut, then I will drink coffee.  
There is no cream and there is a donut. .  
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Therefore I drink coffee. [25%]
- II. By using truth tables, prove Distribution laws of propositions. [20%]
- III. Proof by contrapositive, show that "if  $n$  is an integer and  $n^3 + 5$  is odd, then the  $n$  is even". [30%]

Q3.

- I. Prove that all  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $m, n$  are divisible by 3, then  $mn$  is divisible by 9. [10%]
- II. Using Mathematical induction, for a positive integer  $n$ , prove each of the following: [50%]
- a)  $2 + 7 + 12 + \dots + (5n - 3) = \frac{n(5n-1)}{2}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ ;
- b)  $n! > 2^n$  for all  $n \geq 4$ .
- III. Prove directly that the sum of any two odd integers is an even integer. [15%]
- IV. By giving a counter example, disprove each of the following statements:
- a)  $\forall p, q, x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , if  $pq = x$ , then  $p = \frac{x}{q}$ . [15%]
- b) For all positive integer  $n, n^2 - 2n$  is positive [10%]

### SECTION – B

Q4.

- I. Write down the elements in each of the following set: [20%]
- a)  $A = \{x : x^3 - 16x = 0, \text{ and } x \in \mathbb{Z}^-\}$ ;
- b)  $B = \{x : x < 13, x = 2n, n \in \mathbb{Z}^+\}$ ;
- c)  $C = \{x : x = n^3 + n^2, 0 \leq n \leq 5, n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ ,
- d)  $D = \{x : x \in \mathbb{Z}^+, x \text{ is odd}\}$ .

- II. Let  $P = \{x: x \in \mathbb{N}\}$ ,  $Q = \{x: x \text{ is a prime number, } x \leq 10\}$ , and  $R = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9\}$ . Find [15%]  
 a)  $P \oplus Q$ ;  
 b)  $Q \oplus R$ ;  
 c)  $P \cap (Q \oplus R)$ , where  $\oplus$  is symmetric difference.
- III.  
 a) Define the Cartesian product of set  $A$  and  $B$ . [05%]  
 b)  $M = \{3, 33, 333\}$  and  $N = \{2, 22, 222\}$ . Find  $M \times N$  and  $N^2$ . [20%]
- IV. Let  $S = \{1, 2, \{1, 2\}, 12\}$ . Find the power set  $P(S)$  of  $S$ . [10%]  
 V. Without using Venn diagram, Show that  
 $A \cap (B \oplus C) = (A \cap B) \oplus (A \cap C)$ , where  $\oplus$  is symmetric difference. [30%]

## Q5.

- I. Let  $\forall x \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $f(x) = x^2$  and  $\forall x \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9\}$ ,  $g(x) = x - 1$ .  
 a) Write down the domains of  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ , [15%]  
 b) Find functions of  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ , [15%]  
 c) Write down the images of  $f \circ g$  and  $g \circ f$ . [10%]
- II. Let  $h: \mathbb{R}_0^- \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_0^+$  be a function defined by  $h(x) = x^2 + 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}_0^-$ .  
 a) Show that  $h(x)$  is a one to one function. [10%]  
 b) Find the inverse function  $h^{-1}(x)$  of  $h(x)$ , if it exists. [20%]
- III. Let  $A = \mathbb{R} - \{3\}$  and  $B = \mathbb{R} - \{3/2\}$ . Define  $k(x) = \frac{3x+5}{2x-6}$ . Prove that  $k(x)$  is invertible and find a formula for  $k^{-1}(x)$ . [30%]

## Q6.

- I. Let  $A = \{2, 5, 6, 8, 12\}$  and  $B = \{3, 5, 7, 9, 11\}$ . Find the following relations from  $A$  to  $B$ .  
 a)  $l_1 = \{(x, y) \mid x \leq y; x \in A, y \in B\}$  [10%]  
 b)  $l_2 = \{(x, y) \mid x + 1 < y; x \in A, y \in B\}$ . [10%]
- II.  
 a) Define the equivalence relation by the usual notation. [10%]  
 b) Determine whether the following relations are equivalence relation or not.  
 $\alpha$ ) If  $R_1$  be the relation which is defined by  $aR_1b$  iff  $a - b$  is an integer on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of real numbers. [25%]

- $\beta$ ) If  $R_2$  be the relation which is defined by  $aR_2b$  iff  $a - b$  is an integer on the set  $\mathbb{Z}_0^+$  of positive integers. [25%]
- III. Show that "x is a factor of y" is a partial order relation, where  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$ . [20%]

### SECTION – C

Q7.

- I. Let  $a, b$ , and  $c$  be any integer numbers. Prove that, [30%]  
 a) if  $a|b$  and  $c|d$ , then  $ac|bd$ ,  
 b) if  $a|b$ ,  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , then  $a \leq b$ ,  
 c) If  $c|a$  and  $c|b$ , then  $c|(3a - 5b)$ ,
- II. Let  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ . If  $(x - 1)|(x^2 - 3x + 5)$ , then show that  $(x - 1)|(2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x)$ . [20%]
- III.  
 a) Define a prime number. [05%]  
 b) Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Prove that if  $b|a$  and  $b|(a + 2)$ , then  $b = 1$  or  $2$  [20%]  
 c) If  $n \geq 5$  is a prime number, show that  $n^2 + 2$  is not prime number. [25%]

Q8.

- I. Let  $a, b$  and  $c$  be integers. Show that  $gcd(a, b) = gcd(a + cb, b)$ . [10%]
- II. Show that if  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are positive integers such that  $gcd(a, b) = 1$  and  $a|bc$ , then  $a|c$ . [15%]
- III. Show that if  $a$  and  $b$  are relatively prime numbers, then  $gcd(a + 2b, 2a + b) = 1$  or  $3$ . [30%]
- IV. Use the Euclidean algorithm to find the greatest common divisor of 4147 and 10672 and express it in terms of the two integers. [25%]
- V. Either find all solutions or prove that there are no solutions for the Diophantine equation  $2x + 13y = 31$ . [20%]

Q9.

I Let  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  denote integers. Let  $m$  be a positive integers. Show that:

a) If  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{m}$ ,  
then  $a - c \equiv (b - d) \pmod{m}$ . [10%]

b)  $a \equiv b \pmod{m}$ ,  $b \equiv a \pmod{m}$  and  $a - b \equiv 0 \pmod{m}$  are equivalent  
statements. [15%]

c) If  $ac \equiv bc \pmod{m}$  and  $d \equiv \gcd(m, c)$ , then  $a \equiv b \pmod{m/d}$ . [20%]

II Solve the following system of congruence: [55%]

$$17x \equiv 3 \pmod{2}$$

$$17x \equiv 3 \pmod{3}$$

$$17x \equiv 3 \pmod{5}$$

$$17x \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$$

