

The Open University of Sri Lanka
B.Sc. Degree Programme – Level 05
Open Book Test (OBT) - 2009/2010
Pure Mathematics / Computer Science
PMU 3294/PME 5294/CSU 3276 – Discrete Mathematics



Duration: - One & Half Hours

Date: - 02-10-2009.

Time: - 4.00 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.

Answer All Questions.

01. (a) Write the converse, inverse and contra-positive of the statement

"If two triangles are similar then they are congruent".

(b) Let p and q be two statements. Then by means of truth table, show that

$(p \Leftrightarrow q)$ is logically equivalent to $(\neg p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee \neg q)$.

(c) Prove or disprove each of the following statements:

(i) $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 > 0.$

(ii) $(1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3) = (1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n)^2.$

(iii) $\forall x \in \mathbb{Q}, x^2 \in \mathbb{Q}.$

02. (a) Which of the following relations are partial order:

(i) $R = \{ (x, y) \mid (x \in \mathbb{R}) \wedge (y \in \mathbb{R}) \wedge (y = x^2) \}.$

(ii) $R = \{ (x, y) \mid (x \in A) \wedge (y \in A) \wedge ("x \text{ divides } y") \},$

where $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}.$

(iii) $R = \{ (x, y) \mid (x \in \mathbb{R}) \wedge (y \in \mathbb{R}) \wedge (y \leq x) \}.$

Justify your answer.

- (b) Let f be a homomorphism from a group G into a group G' . Suppose that x^{-1} is the inverse of x in G . Prove that $f(x^{-1})$ is the inverse of $f(x)$ in G' .
- (c) Determine whether the operation “*subtraction*” in \mathbb{Z} , the set of integers, is associative:

03. (a) The internal telephone numbers in the phone system on a campus consist of **five** digits, with the first digit not equal to zero. How many different numbers can be assigned in this system?

(b) Let the number of r -permutations of n objects is denoted by ${}^n P_r$ and the number of r -objects subsets of n -objects set is denoted by ${}^n C_r$. Then prove that $r! {}^n C_r = {}^n P_r$.

(c) There are 20 Mathematics students and 15 Computer Science students in the Discrete Mathematics class. Find the number of ways of selecting **12 students** from the class, if

- (i) there are no restrictions,
- (ii) all must be mathematics major,
- (iii) all must belong to the same discipline,
- (iv) the two disciplines must have the same number of representatives.

