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**Answer Five Questions Only**

01.(a) Let  $p$  and  $q$  be two statements . Use truth tables to determine whether each of the following statements is a tautology, a contradiction or a contingency:

- (i)  $[\sim q \cap (p \rightarrow q)] \rightarrow p$
- (ii)  $(p \cap \sim q) \cup (q \cap \sim p)$
- (iii)  $p \cap (p \rightarrow q) \cap \sim q$

(b) Write the inverse and converse of the following statements:

- (i) "If the density of a fluid is not  $1000\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$ , then the fluid cannot be water".
- (ii) " If  $\sqrt{2}$  is rational, then either  $\sqrt{2}$  is algebraic or  $\sqrt{2}$  is transcendental ".

(c) Let  $p$  be "It is cold" and let  $q$  be "It is raining". Give a simple verbal sentence which describes each of the following statements:

- (i)  $\sim p$
- (ii)  $p \cap q$
- (iii)  $p \cup q$
- (iv)  $q \cup \sim p$

02. Let  $G$  be a graph with set of four vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ , whose adjacency matrix  $A$  is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (i) Without drawing the diagram of  $G$ , determine whether  $G$  is connected.
- (ii) Find the number of paths of length three joining  $v_2$  &  $v_4$ , and name all those paths.
- (iii) Write down all the components of  $G$ .
- (iv) Is  $G$  a forest? Justify your answer.

03. A person invests Rs 20000/= at 15 % interest compounded annually. If  $A_n$  represents the amount at the end of  $n$  years, find

- (i) a difference equation satisfied by  $A_n$  and the initial conditions that define the sequence  $\{A_n\}$
- (ii) an explicit formula for  $A_n$ . Hence, find the time it takes for the person to double the initial Investment.
- (iii) Find the general solution of the difference equation.

$$f(n+2) - 4f(n) = n(1+3^n)$$

04.(a) Prove that the number of ways in which  $n$  distinct objects can be distributed into  $k$  boxes,  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_k$ , such that there are  $r_i$  objects in box  $B_i$  for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots, k$ , is

$$\frac{n!}{(n_1! n_2! n_3! \dots n_k!)}$$

- (b) (i) Find the number of ways that seven toys can be divided among three children if the youngest child is to receive three toys and each of the others two toys.
- (ii) A box B contains seven marbles numbered 1 through 7. Find the number of ways of drawing from B first two marbles, then three marbles, and lastly the remaining two marbles.
- (c) A group of 5 students is selected from 12 eligible students in a campus to attend a conference. In how many ways can the group be chosen
  - (i) if 2 of the eligible students will not attend the conference together?
  - (ii) if 2 of the eligible students are married and will only attend the conference together?

05. (a) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two events with  $P(A) > 0$ . Define  $P(B/A)$ , the conditional probability of  $B$  given  $A$ .

- (b) Find  $P(B/A)$  if,
  - (i)  $A$  is a subset of  $B$ ,
  - (ii)  $A$  and  $B$  are mutually exclusive.
- (c) In a certain college 25% of the students failed mathematics, 15% of the students failed computer science, and 10% of the students failed both mathematics and computer science. A student is selected at random.
  - (i) If he failed computer science, what is the probability that he failed mathematics?
  - (ii) What is the probability that he failed mathematics or computer science,?
  - (iii) Determine whether the event *failed mathematics* is depend on the event *failed computer science*.

06.(a) Define each of the following terms:

- (i) Binary Relation, (ii) Partial order, (iii) Total order, (iv) Equivalence Relation
- (b) Let  $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and let  $R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4), (1, 2), (2, 3), (1, 3)\}$ . Prove that  $R$  is a partial order on  $X$ .
- (c) Let  $S$  and  $T$  be partial orders on a nonempty set  $Y$ . Does it follow that  $S \cup T$  is a partial order on  $Y$ ? Justify your answer.
- (d) Define the relation  $S$  on the set  $\mathbb{R}$  of all real numbers by for each  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $xSy$  if  $x - y$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Prove that  $S$  is an equivalence relation on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

07. (a) What are the postulates that should be true for a nonempty set  $G$  of elements to be a group under the binary operation  $*$ .

(b) Define an abelian group, a homomorphism and an isomorphism.

(c)(i) Use a Cayley composition table to show that the set of functions  $G = \{x, -x, \frac{1}{x}, -\frac{1}{x}\}$  under the binary operation of composition of functions forms an abelian group.

(ii) Let  $G$  be the group of real numbers under the usual addition, and let  $G'$  be the group of positive real numbers under the usual multiplication.

Show that the mapping  $f: G \rightarrow G'$ , defined by

$f(a) = 2^a$ , is a homomorphism.

Is it an isomorphism? Justify your answer

08. Prove or disprove each of the following statements, and name the method of your proof in each case:

(a) Every continuous function is differentiable,

(b) For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $17^n - 10^n$  is divisible by 7,

(c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n$  is divergent implies that  $|r| \geq 1$ ,

(d) There exists  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$ ,

(e) Let  $a, b$  be real numbers. If  $a + b \geq 6$  then  $a \geq 3$  or  $b \geq 3$ .

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