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There are 10 questions in this paper. Candidates should answer all **10** questions. All questions carry equal marks and full marks can be obtained for complete answers to **10** questions. Each question carries equal marks. The marks for each part of a question are indicated at the end of the part in [.] brackets.

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**Question 1**

- (a) Convert the decimal integer  $(247)_{10}$  to binary notation. [2]
- (b) Working in binary and showing all carries, compute  $(11110)_2 + (1101)_2$ . [2]
- (c) Let the two sets  $A$  and  $B$  be given by

$$A = \{\sqrt{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 2\} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : x \notin \mathbb{Q}\}.$$

Give each of the following sets.

- i.  $A \cap \mathbb{Q}$ ;
  - ii.  $A \cap B$ ;
  - iii.  $B \cup \mathbb{Q}$ . [3]
- (d) Showing your working, express the repeating decimal  
 $1.247247247247\dots$   
as a rational number in its simplest form. [3]

**Question 2**

Let  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $r$  be the following propositions concerning integers  $n$ .

$p$  :  $n$  is a factor of 36

$q$  :  $n$  is a factor of 4

$r$  :  $n$  is a factor of 9.

- (a) List the truth set for the proposition  $p$ . [1]
- (b) For each of the following compound statements, express it using the propositions  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $r$  and logical symbols and give the truth set for it.
- i. If  $n$  is a factor of 36 then  $n$  is a factor of 4 or  $n$  is a factor of 9;
  - ii. If  $n$  is a factor of 4 and  $n$  is a factor of 9 then  $n$  is a factor of 36. [4]
- (c) Use truth tables to prove that

$$(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q) \equiv p \leftrightarrow q.$$

- (d) Draw a logic network that accepts independent inputs  $p$  and  $q$  and gives as output

$$p \leftrightarrow q.$$

### Question 3

- (a) Let  $A, B$  and  $C$  be subsets of a universal set  $\mathcal{U}$ , and let  $X = (B \cap C)' - A$ .
- Draw a labelled Venn diagram depicting the sets  $A, B$  and  $C$  in such a way that they divide  $\mathcal{U}$  into 8 disjoint regions and shade the region corresponding to the set  $X$  on this diagram.
  - Give a membership table for  $X$ .
  - Give the membership table for  $Y = (A \cap B \cap C)'$ .
  - Justifying your answer say whether  $Y \subseteq X$ . [6]
- (b) Give the set  $\{-2^n : n \in \mathbb{Z}, -2 \leq n \leq 3\}$  by the listing method. [1]
- (c) Express the set  $\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{8}, \frac{9}{10}, \dots, \frac{99}{100}\}$  by using rules of inclusion. [2]
- (d) Let  $S = \{0, 2, 4\}$ . Give the power set  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  by the listing method. [1]

### Question 4

- (a) Showing your working, use the rules of indices and logarithms to give the following two expressions in their simplest possible form.

$$\text{i. } 4 \cdot 2^x - 2^{x+1}; \quad \text{ii. } \frac{\ln(2) + \ln(2^2) + \ln(2^3) + \ln(2^4) + \ln(2^5)}{\ln(4)}.$$

[2]

- (b)
  - Given a positive real number  $x$ , say how  $\log_2(x)$  and  $\log_4(x)$  are defined.
  - Compute  $\log_2(16)$  and  $\log_2(\frac{1}{16})$ .
  - Explain what it means for a function to be  $O(\log_2(x))$ .
  - Justifying your answer, say whether  $\log_4(x)$  is  $O(\log_2(x))$ . [5]
- (c) Consider the function  $f : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$  where  $\mathbb{A} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  and  $f$  is defined by the table

$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$f(x)$	3	1	2	5	6	4

Let  $g : \mathbb{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}$  be the function defined by  $g(x) = f(f(x))$ .

- i. Complete the following table so it defines the function  $g(x)$ :

$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6
$g(x)$						

- ii. Show that the function  $g$  is the inverse of  $f$ . [3]

### Question 5

- (a) Consider the floor function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  given by the rule

$$f(x) = \lfloor \frac{x+1}{2} \rfloor.$$

- i. Compute  $f(-6)$  and  $f(6)$ .
  - ii. Show that  $f$  is not one-to-one.
  - iii. Justifying your answer, say whether  $f$  is onto. [6]
- (b) A binary search tree  $T_n$  is designed to store an ordered list of  $n$  records at its internal nodes with the record  $f(n) = \lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor$  at its root.
- i. Which record is stored at the root of the tree  $T_{200}$ ?
  - ii. Which records are stored at level 1 of the tree  $T_{200}$ ?
  - iii. Given that the binary search tree  $T_n$  has record number  $r$  at its root, explain why it is not possible to determine the value of  $n$  from this information. [4]

### Question 6

- (a) Suppose that we have a group consisting of 5 women and 10 men. A committee consisting of 6 people is chosen from this group. Find the number of different committees possible and compute the probability that the committee chosen has
- i. all 5 women in it;
  - ii. at least one woman in it. [6]
- (b) Consider the set  $S = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 600\}$ . Justifying your answer, find the number of integers in  $S$  which
- i. are divisible by 5;
  - ii. are divisible by 4, 5 or 6. [4]

### Question 7

- (a) Use Gaussian elimination to solve the following system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}4x + y + z &= 5 \\3x + 4y + z &= 1 \\4x + 7y + 2z &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

[4]

- (b) For each of the following statements concerning matrices, state whether it is true or false, justifying your answer in each case.

- i. For all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  we have  $(A + B)C = BC + AC$ ;
- ii. For all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$  there exists a matrix  $B$  such that  $AB = BA = A$ ;
- iii. For all  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$  and  $B$  we have  $(A + B)^2 = A^2 + 2AB + B^2$ .

[4]

- (c) Write the contrapositive of the following statement.

“The number of columns in  $A$  and the number of rows in  $B$  are the same if the product  $AB$  can be computed.”

[2]

### Question 8

- (a) Suppose that it is given that a graph  $G$  has degree sequence 4, 3, 3, 3, 2, 1.

- i. Explain why this information is not sufficient to enable us to draw  $G$ .
- ii. Justifying your answer, find the number of vertices in  $G$ .
- iii. Justifying your answer, find the number of edges in  $G$ .

[5]

- (b) Let  $G$  be the simple graph on the vertex set  $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  with adjacency matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- i. Draw  $G$ .
- ii. Let  $H$  be a subgraph of a graph  $G$ . Explain what it means for  $H$  to be a spanning tree of  $G$ .
- iii. Find two non-isomorphic spanning trees  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  for  $G$  with degree sequence 3, 2, 2, 1, 1, 1. Explain why your two trees are not isomorphic.

[5]

**Question 9**

Let  $G$  be the simple graph on the vertex set  $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$  with adjacency matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Give an example of a walk in  $G$  which is

- i. a path of length 3;
- ii. a 3-cycle;
- iii. a walk of length 3 which is neither a path nor a cycle.

[3]

(b) Let  $W$  denote the set of all walks in  $G$ , and define a relation  $R$  on  $W$  by

$w_1 R w_2$  if and only if the walks  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  have the same length.

- i. Explain briefly why the relation  $R$  is an equivalence relation on  $W$ .
- ii. Describe the equivalence class containing the walk 123.
- iii. Compute the matrix  $A^2$  and use it to find the cardinality of the equivalence class containing the walk 123.

[7]

**Question 10**

Let  $n$  be a non-negative integer and consider the sum

$$s_n = \sum_{i=0}^n 2^{2^i}.$$

(a) Showing your working, calculate  $s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3$  and  $s_4$ .

[2]

(b) For  $n \geq 0$  find a recurrence relation giving  $s_{n+1}$  as a function of  $s_n$ .

[2]

(c) Prove by induction that  $3s_n = 2^{2^{n+2}} - 1$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

[6]

