

CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Course code and title : MA2504 Discrete Mathematics

Session : Semester B, 2008-2009

Time allowed : Three Hours

This paper has FOUR pages (including this page).

Instructions to candidates:

1. This paper has SIX questions.
2. Attempt ALL questions.
3. The paper has 100 marks in total.
4. Start each question on a new page.
5. Show ALL workings.

Materials, aids & instruments which students are permitted to use during examination: Approved calculators

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Answer ALL Questions

Question 1

(a) Use *Proof by Contradiction* to show the validity of
$$\frac{\sim \exists x[F(x) \wedge G(x)]}{F(y)} \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$
$$\therefore \sim G(y)$$

(b) Use (a), or otherwise, to show the validity of
$$\frac{\sim \exists x[F(x) \wedge G(x)]}{\therefore \forall x[F(x) \rightarrow \sim G(x)]} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

(c) There is a mistake in the following derivation, find it and explain.

1. $\exists x(P(x) \wedge Q(x))$ p
2. $P(c)$ p
3. $P(c) \wedge Q(c)$ from 1, ei
4. $Q(c)$ from 3

(4 marks)

Question 2

(a) Let A, B and C be sets. Show that

(i) $(A \setminus B) \setminus C \subseteq A \setminus C$ (4 marks)

(ii) $A \cap (B \setminus C) = (A \cap B) \setminus (A \cap C)$ (4 marks)

(b) Let R be a binary relation on $A \neq \emptyset$ and R^{-1} be its inverse. Suppose $R \cap R^{-1} = \emptyset$, show that R is not reflexive and R is antisymmetric. (8 marks)

Question 3

(a) Let $f : A \rightarrow B$ and $g : B \rightarrow C$. Suppose that g is injective and $(g \circ f)$ is surjective. Prove that f is surjective and g is surjective. (6 marks)

(b) How many solutions are there to the equation $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 90$, where x_1, x_2 and x_3 are nonnegative integer such that $x_1 \geq 10, x_2 \leq 25, x_3 \leq 45$ (Use Inclusion-Exclusion Principle). (7 marks)

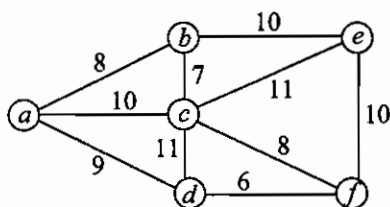
(c) A club with fifteen women and ten men needs to form a committee of size five. How many committees are possible if the committee must consist of all women or all men? (3 marks)

Question 4

- (a) Find a recurrence relation for the number of ways to form a postage of n cents if the post office has only 4-cents stamps and 6-cents stamps. Also, determine the initial condition(s) to solve the recurrence relation. (You are not required to solve the recurrence relation) (4 marks)
- (b) Find the solution for the recurrence relation $a_n = 3a_{n-1} + 4a_{n-2} + 4^n$ with initial conditions $a_0 = 0$ and $a_1 = -\frac{9}{5}$. (8 marks)
- (c) Let G be a graph containing 14 vertices and 27 edges. Suppose each vertex of G is either of degree 3 or 6. How many vertices of degree 6 does G have? (4 marks)

Question 5

- (a) Use Prim's algorithm (in tabular form) to find a minimum spanning tree for the following graph starting at the vertex a (you have to list all steps of the algorithm). What is the weight of a minimum spanning tree? Note that the numbers indicated at edges are the weights of the edges.



(6 marks)

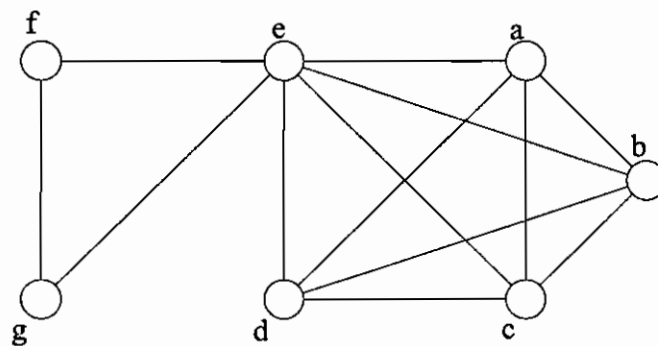
- (b) A train travels between pairs of stations A, B, C, D, E, F . The following table indicates in minutes the time it takes to travel from one station to another. The symbol ∞ indicates that no direct route between those stations.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
A	0	6	5	∞	4	∞
B	6	0	∞	5	6	2
C	5	∞	0	7	∞	3
D	∞	5	7	0	4	3
E	4	6	∞	4	0	2
F	∞	2	3	3	2	0

Use Dijkstra's algorithm to find the shortest travel time from A to each station. Also, write down the shortest path from A to F . (10 marks)

Question 6

- (a) Consider the set of words $W = \{\text{apple, ape, angry, wash, wind, sky, seat}\}$. Find all equivalence classes with respect to R where R is the equivalence relation defined by:
- (i) "has the same number of letters", (3 marks)
 - (ii) "begins with the same letter". (3 marks)
- (b) Draw a graph with six vertices and nine edges which has a Hamilton circuit but no Euler circuit. (Answer with explanation) (7 marks)
- (c) Is there an Euler circuit and a Hamilton circuit in the following graph? If so, find such a circuit. If not, explain why no such circuit exists.



(7 marks)

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