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CSC 2901
DISCRETE STRUCTURES
FINAL EXAMINATION

Date: 10th JULY, 2018
Time: 14:00 hrs – 17:00 hrs
Duration: 3 Hours
Venue: P207

INSTRUCTIONS

1. This exam has two sections A and B.
2. Answer **ALL** the questions from **Section A**.
3. Answer **ANY three (3)** questions from Section B.
4. **Total number of questions answered should be five (5).**
5. Clearly identify the problem being solved.

SECTION A: THERE ARE FIVE (5) QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION AND YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER ALL OF THEM. [40 MARKS]

Question A1. By showing your work clearly and without using a calculator, find the following

- a) Inverse of $7 \pmod{24}$ [4 Marks]
 b) $7^8 \pmod{39}$ [4 Marks]

Question A2. Prove, by contraposition, that for a positive integer n , if n^2 is divisible by 2, then n is divisible by 2 [6 Marks]

Question A3. Let A and B be subsets of U . show that

- a) $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow A - (A - B) = A$ [6 marks]
 b) $(A - B) - (C \cup B')$ is a null set. [4 marks]

Question A4. Given that $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and $R = \{(1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 2)\}$

- a) Draw the digraph for R . [2 marks]
 b) Find R^+ , the connectivity relation of R [6 marks]
 c) Draw the digraph for R^+ [2 marks]

Question A5. Show that the function $f: R \rightarrow R$, defined as

$$f(x) = 3x + 3$$

is a bijection

[6 Marks]

SECTION B: THERE ARE FIVE (5) QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION AND YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ANSWER ONLY THREE (3) OF THEM IN ANY ORDER. [60 MARKS]

Question B1.

- a) Consider the following algorithm.

Algorithm sum(n : positive integer)

$s := 0$

for $i := 1$ **to** n **do**

for $j := 1$ **to** i **do**

$s := s + j$

end for

end for

returns.

end.

- i) Draw the flowchart for this algorithm [10 Marks]
 ii) Use a table to simulate how $sum(4)$ is evaluated. [6 marks]
 iii) How many times is the statement $s := s + j$ executed in ii) above? [4 marks]

Question B2.

- a) Define the following
- i) A one to one function f [4 marks]
 - ii) An onto function f [4 Marks]
 - iii) An inverse of a function f [4 Marks]
- b) Prove that if $f(x) = \log_2(x)$ and $g(x) = 2^x$, then g and f are inverses of each other [4 marks]
- c) Let the function $f: \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be defined as $f(x, y) = xy$
- Show that f is onto but not one to one [4 marks]

Question B3.

- a) Let $(A, \cdot, +, ', 0, 1)$ be a Boolean algebra. Let $x, y \in A$. Prove the following identities analytically.
- i) $(x \cdot y)' = x' + y'$ [6 marks]
 - ii) $xy + xy' = x$ [4 marks]
- b) Let $F(x, y) = (x + y)(x'y)' + y$
- i) Draw the Logic network for F . [2 marks]
 - ii) Simplify the expression [8 Marks]

Question B4.

- a) State the sum rule for two sets [4 Marks]
- b) How many 3 digit numbers are divisible by
- i) 5? [4 Marks]
 - ii) 3? [4 Marks]
 - iii) 5 and 3? [4 Marks]
 - iv) 5 or 3 [4 marks]

Question B5.

- a) Assume that you are in a class of 20 students and your Discrete mathematics lecturer wants to constitute a team of 7.
- i) In how many ways can these teams be constituted? [5 marks]
 - ii) In how many ways can you be a member of the team? [5 Marks]
 - iii) Hence, what is the probability that you are chosen? [4 Marks]
- b) You pick two marble, one after the other, without replacing, from a bag containing 6 blue marbles and 4 red ones. What is the probability that the second marble picked is blue, given that the first one was red? [6 Marks]

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