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**ASSIGNMENT 1**

**SECTION 08**

**SECI1013 - DISCRETE STRUCTURE**

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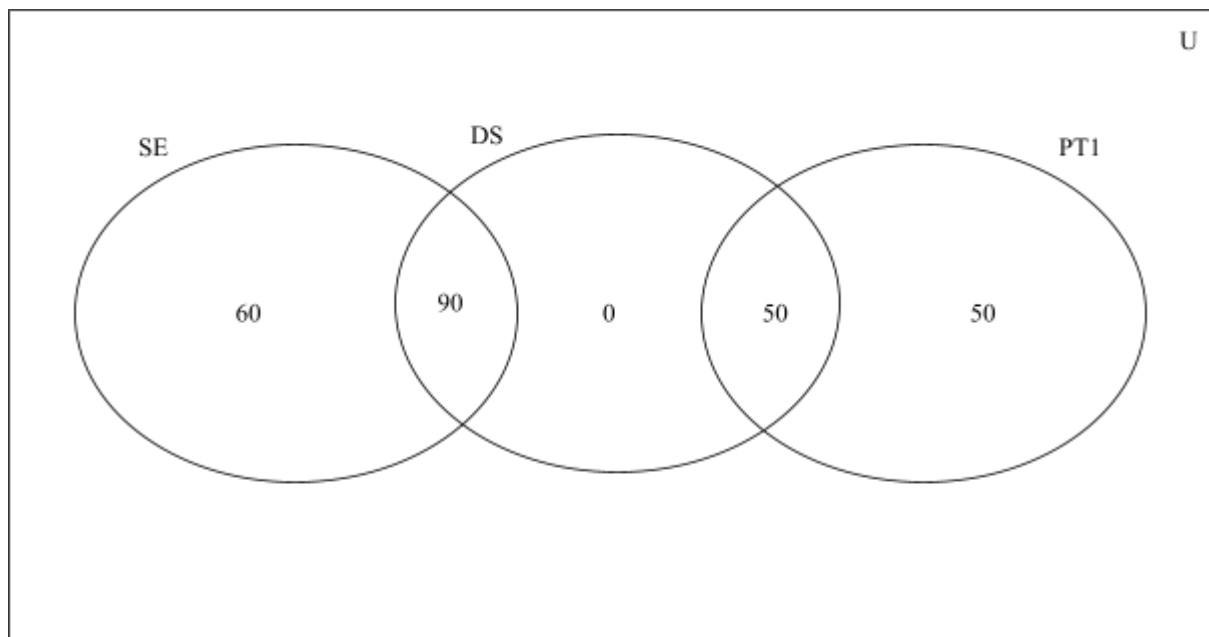
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### **Question 1**

a. There have 2 programs offered in Faculty of Computing, UTM. In this semester only 90 students out of total 150 from program 1 take discrete structure (DS) and software engineering (SE) subjects. While there have half of total 100 students from program 2 take discrete structure and programming technique 1 (PT1). All of the students from program 1 must take at least one of the subjects offered as stated either DS or SE while all of the students from program 2 must take at least one of the subjects offered as stated either DS or PT1.

### **Answer**

i) Draw a Venn diagram to represent the above use case. (2 marks)



ii) How many students in total that take DS? (2 marks)

[140 students.](#)

iii) How many students have exactly took two subjects? (2 marks)

[140 students.](#)

iv) How many students took less than 2 subjects? (2 marks)

[110 students.](#)

b. Suppose,  $A = \{n \in N | n \text{ odd}, 1 < n < 20\}$ , where  $N = \{\text{natural number}\}$   $B = \{n \in N | n \text{ is prime}, 1 < n < 20\}$ ,  $C = \{n \in N | n \text{ divisible by } 5, 1 < n < 10\}$

**Answer**

i) Find  $|A|$ ,  $|B|$  and  $|C|$ , (3 marks)

$$A = \{3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19\}$$

$$B = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19\}$$

$$C = \{5\}$$

$$|A| = 9, |B| = 8, |C| = 1$$

ii) Find the number of proper subsets of A. (3 marks)

Since  $|A| = 9$ ,

The number of subset,

$$\begin{aligned} |P(A)| &= 2^9 \\ &= 512 \end{aligned}$$

The number of proper subset of A

$$512 - 1 = 511$$

iii) Find  $C \times B$  (2 marks)

$$C \times B = \{(5, 2), (5, 3), (5, 5), (5, 7), (5, 11), (5, 13), (5, 17), (5, 19)\}$$

## Question 2

a. Formulate the symbolic expression in words using

m : You play table tennis.

n : You miss the midterm test.

o : You pass the subject.

### Answer

i)  $m \wedge n$  (2 marks)

You play table tennis and you miss the midterm test.

ii)  $\neg(m \vee n) \vee o$  (2 marks)

You do not play table tennis and you do not miss the midterm test or you pass the subject

b. Show that  $(a \rightarrow b) \equiv (\neg a \vee b)$ . (6 marks)

### Answer

$(a \rightarrow b) =$  If a, then b

a	b	$a \rightarrow b$	$\neg a$	$\neg a \vee b$
T	T	T	F	T
T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	T	T	T

$(\neg a \vee b) =$  is know as Equivalent

c. Represent the given proposition symbolically by letting

x : You run 30 laps weekly .

y : You are healthy.

z : You take vegetables.

i) If you run 30 laps weekly, then you will be healthy. (2 marks)

$x \rightarrow y$

ii) If you do not run 30 laps weekly or do not take vegetables, then you will not be healthy. (2 marks)

$(\neg x \vee \neg z) \rightarrow \neg y$

iii) You will be healthy if and only if you run 30 laps weekly and take vegetable (2 marks)

$y \leftrightarrow (x \wedge z)$

### **Question 3**

a. Let  $P(n)$  be the propositional function “ $n$  divides 15.” Write each proposition in words and tell whether it is true or false. The domain of discourse is  $\mathbb{Z}^+$ .

#### **Answer**

i)  $P(5)$  (2 marks)

True. Because 15 can be divisible by 5

ii)  $\forall n P(n)$  (2 marks)

False. Because not all positive integers can divide 15

iii)  $\exists n \neg P(n)$  (2 marks)

True. Because at least one positive integer does not divide 15.

b. Let  $P(m, n)$  be the propositional function  $m \geq n$ . The domain of discourse is  $\mathbb{Z}^+ \times \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

i) Tell whether  $\exists m \exists n P(m, n)$  is true or false. (2 marks)

True. Because for any  $m = n$ ,  $m \geq n$  holds.

ii) Write the negation of the proposition above. (2 marks)

$\neg(\exists m \exists n P(m, n)) \equiv \forall m \forall n \neg P(m, n)$

**Question 4**

Prove that if  $x$  and  $y$  are real numbers with  $x < y$ , there exists a rational number satisfying  $x < a < y$ . (6 marks)

$x < y$  = the difference  $y - x$  is a positive real number.  $y - x > 0$ . Real number can exist a rational number such as  $x < a < y$

For example  $x = 2.1$  and  $y = 2.9$ . To find rational number  $a = \frac{q}{p}$

$$2.1 < a < 2.9$$

For simplicity choose  $q = 10$ . After that multiply  $x$  and  $y$  by  $q = 10$ :

$$10x = 21 \text{ and } 10y = 29.$$

Integers between  $10x$  and  $10y$  are 22, 23, 24... 28. Choose one integer for example  $p = 23$ .

Divide  $p = 23$ ,  $q = 10$  to obtain the rational number :  $a = \frac{q}{p} = \frac{23}{10} = 2.3$

To check if rational number is satisfied :  $a = 2.3$  satisfied  $x < a < y$

$$2.1 < 2.3 < 2.9$$

So  $a = \frac{23}{10}$  is a rational number that satisfies  $x < a < y$ .

### **Question 5**

a. List the elements of relation  $R$  on the set  $\{1,2,3,4,5\}$  defined by the rule  $(m,n) \in R$  if 2 divides  $m - n$ . Afterwards, list the elements of  $R^{-1}$ . (4 marks)

$$R = \{(1,1), (1,3), (1,5), (2,2), (2,4), (3,1), (3,3), (3,5), (4,2), (4,4), (5,1), (5,3), (5,5)\}$$
$$R^{-1} = \{(1,1), (3,1), (5,1), (2,2), (4,2), (3,1), (3,3), (5,3), (2,4), (4,4), (1,5), (3,5), (5,5)\}$$

b. Repeat question a for relation  $R$  on the set  $\{1,2,3,4,5\}$  defined by the rule  $(m,n) \in R$  if  $m+n \leq 4$ . (4 marks)

$$R = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (2,1), (2,2), (3,1)\}$$
$$R^{-1} = \{(1,1), (2,1), (3,1), (1,2), (2,2), (1,3)\}$$

c. Determine either relation of question a and b are symmetric. (2 marks)

When  $R = R^{-1}$ , the relation is symmetric. However, both question a and b are not symmetric because  $R \neq R^{-1}$ , there are differences in the order of the pairs.

d. Determine whether each relation below defined on the set of positive integers is reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive, and/or a partial order. (6 marks)

i)  $(x, y) \in R$  if  $xy = 1$ .

Symmetric, antisymmetric and transitive only.

ii)  $(x, y) \in R$  if  $x = y^2$ .

Antisymmetric only.

iii)  $(x, y) \in R$  if  $x = y$ .

Reflexive, symmetric, antisymmetric, transitive and it is a partial order since it is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

### **Question 6**

Determine whether each function below is one-to-one, onto, or both. Prove your answers. The domain of each function is the set of all integers. The codomain of each function is also the set of all integers.

#### **Answer**

i)  $f(n) = n + 1$  (3 marks)

$$f(n_1) = f(n_2)$$

$$n_1 + 1 = n_2 + 1$$

$$n_1 = n_2$$

This shows that  $f$  is one-to-one

ii)  $f(n) = |n|$  (3 marks)

$$|n| = \begin{cases} n & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ -n & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f(n_1) = f(n_2)$$

$$n_1 = -n_2$$

$$f(3) = f(-3)$$

$$3 \neq -3$$

This shows that  $f$  is not one-to-one or onto

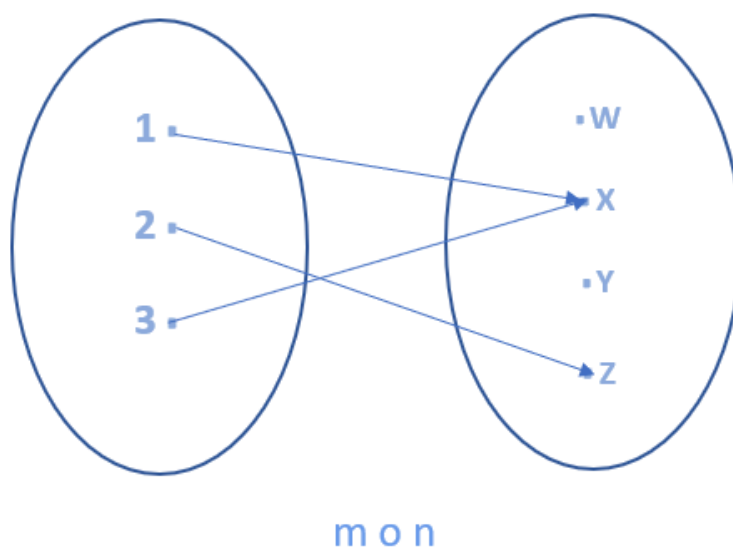
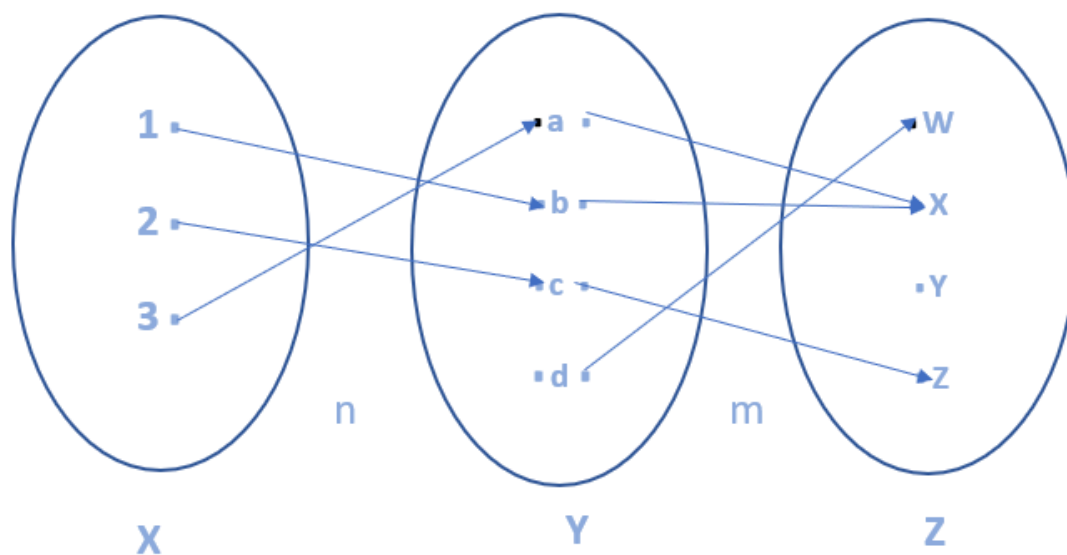
b. Given

$n = \{(1, b), (2, c), (3, a)\}$ , a function from  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  to  $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ , and

$m = \{(a, x), (b, x), (c, z), (d, w)\}$ , a function from  $Y$  to  $Z = \{w, x, y, z\}$ , write  $m \circ n$  as a set of ordered pairs and draw the arrow diagram of  $m \circ n$ . (5 marks)

$$m \circ n = \{(1, x), (2, z), (3, x)\}$$





c. Let  $g = \{(1, a), (2, c), (3, c)\}$  be a function from  $X = \{1, 2, 3\}$  to  $Y = \{a, b, c, d\}$ . Let  $S = \{1\}$ ,  $T = \{1, 3\}$ ,  $U = \{a\}$ , and  $V = \{a, c\}$ . Find  $g(S)$ ,  $g(T)$ ,  $g^{-1}(U)$ , and  $g^{-1}(V)$ . (4 marks)

i)  $g(S) = g(1) = a$

ii)  $g(T) = \{g(1), g(3)\} = \{a, c\}$

iii)  $g^{-1}(U) = 1$

iv)  $g^{-1}(V) = \{1, 2, 3\}$