

Fourth Semester B.E./B.Tech. Degree Examination, June/July 2025

Discrete Mathematical Structures

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 100

Note: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing ONE full question from each module.
2. M: Marks, L: Bloom's level, C: Course outcomes.

| Module – 1 | | | | M | L | C |
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| Q.1 | a. | Define Tautology, show that $[(p \vee q) \wedge \{(p \rightarrow r) \wedge (q \rightarrow r)\}] \rightarrow r$ | | 6 | L1 | CO1 |
| | b. | Prove the following using the laws of logic : $\neg [\{(p \vee q) \wedge r\} \rightarrow \neg q] \Leftrightarrow \neg [\neg \{(p \vee q) \wedge r\} \vee \neg q] \Leftrightarrow q \wedge r$ | | 7 | L2 | CO1 |
| | c. | Give i) a direct proof ii) an Indirect proof for the following statement "If n is an odd integer then n + 9 is an even integer". | | 7 | L2 | CO1 |
| OR | | | | | | |
| Q.2 | a. | Define i) an open statement ii) quantifiers. | | 6 | L2 | CO1 |
| | b. | Test the validity of the following arguments. i) $\begin{array}{l} p \wedge q \\ p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r) \\ \hline \therefore r \end{array}$ ii) $\begin{array}{l} P \\ P \rightarrow \sim q \\ \sim q \rightarrow \sim r \\ \hline \therefore \sim r \end{array}$ | | 7 | L2 | CO1 |
| | c. | For the following statements the universe comprises all non – zero integers. Determine the truth value of each statement. i) $\exists x, \exists y [xy = 1]$ ii) $\exists x, \forall y [xy = 1]$ iii) $\forall x, \exists y [xy = 1]$ iv) $\exists x, \exists y [(2x + y = 5) \wedge (x - 3y = -8)]$ v) $\exists x, \exists y [(3x - y = 17) \wedge (2x + 4y = 3)]$. | | 7 | L2 | CO1 |
| Module – 2 | | | | | | |
| Q.3 | a. | Define the well ordering principle. By Mathematical induction, prove that $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{1}{2} n(n + 1), n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ | | 6 | L2 | CO2 |
| | b. | Prove that $F_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left[\left(\frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n - \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n \right]$. For F_0, F_1, F_2, \dots are the Fibonacci numbers. | | 7 | L2 | CO2 |
| | c. | Find the number of permutations of the letters of the word 'MASSASAUGA'. In how many of these all four A's are together? How many of them begin with S's? | | 7 | L3 | CO2 |
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| Q.4 | a. | Prove that $4n < n^2 - 7$ for all positive integers $n \geq 6$. | 6 | L2 | CO3 |
| | b. | Find the co-efficients of $x^0 y^3$ in the expansion of $(2x - 3y)^{12}$. | 7 | L3 | CO3 |
| | c. | Let $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 2$, $a_2 = 3$ and $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-3}$ for $n \geq 3$, prove that $a_n \leq 3^n$ for all +ve integers n . | 7 | L2 | CO3 |
| Module - 3 | | | | | |
| Q.5 | a. | State Pigeon hole principle. Prove that if 30 dictionaries in a library contains a total of 61,327 pages then atleast one of dictionaries must have atleast 2045 pages. | 6 | L2 | CO3 |
| | b. | Define power set. For any sets $A, B, C \subseteq U$, prove that $A \times (B \cup C) = (A \times B) \cup (A \times C)$. | 7 | L2 | CO3 |
| | c. | Let f and g be functions from R to R defined by $f(x) = ax + b$ and $g(x) = 1 - x + x^2$ if $(g \circ f)(x) = 9x^2 - 9x + 3$, determine a & b . | 7 | L3 | CO3 |
| OR | | | | | |
| Q.6 | a. | Let $f: R \rightarrow R$ be defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5, & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 1 - 3x, & \text{if } x \leq 0 \end{cases}$ Find $f^{-1}(-5, 5)$ and $f^{-1}(-6, 5)$. | 6 | L2 | CO3 |
| | b. | Let N be the set of Natural numbers. Let a relation R be defined by $R = \{(a, b) / a \in N, b \in N, a - b \text{ is divisible by } 5\}$. Prove that R is an equivalence relation. | 7 | L2 | CO3 |
| | c. | For $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$, the Hasse diagram for the poset (A, R) is as shown below : i) Determine the relation matrix for R . ii) Construct the diagram for R . | 7 | L3 | CO3 |
| Module - 4 | | | | | |
| Q.7 | a. | Determine the number of integers between 1 and 250 that are divisible by 3 and not divisible by 5 and 7. | 6 | L3 | CO4 |
| | b. | Solve the recurrence relation $F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n$, where $n \geq 0$ and $F_0 = 0$, $F_1 = 1$. | 7 | L2 | CO4 |
| | c. | Define Derangement. Find the number of derangement of 1, 2, 3, and 4. | 7 | L3 | CO4 |
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| Q.8 | a. | Find the Rook polynomial for the chess board contain 4 squares as shown in the Fig.Q8(a). | 6 | L3 | CO4 | | | | |
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| | b. | Solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 5a_{n-1} + 6a_{n-2}$, $n \geq 2$, $a_0 = 1$, $a_1 = 3$. | 7 | L2 | CO4 | | | | |
| | c. | Find the distinct numbers which are multiples of at least one of 15, 40 and 35 not exceeding 1000. | 7 | L3 | CO4 | | | | |

Module – 5

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| Q.9 | a. | Define group and subgroup with example each. | 6 | L1 | CO5 |
| | b. | State and prove Lagrange's theorem. | 7 | L2 | CO5 |
| | c. | Define Klein 4 group. Verify $A = \{e, a, b, c\}$ is a Klein 4 group. | 7 | L2 | CO5 |

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| Q.10 | a. | Prove that the intersection of two subgroup of a group is a subgroup of the group. | 6 | L2 | CO5 |
| | b. | Prove that the cube roots of unity form a group under the multiplication. | 7 | L2 | CO5 |
| | c. | Let $G = S_4$, the symmetric group of order 4, for $\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, find the subgroup $H = \langle \alpha \rangle$, determine the number of left cosets of H in G. | 7 | L3 | CO5 |