

B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2011

Fifth Semester

Computer Science and Engineering

MA2265 – DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

(Regulation 2008)

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer ALL questions

PART A – (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)

1. Show that the propositions $p \rightarrow q$ and $\neg p \vee q$ are logically equivalent.
2. Give an indirect proof of the theorem "If $3n + 2$ is odd, then n is odd".
3. Write the generating function for the sequence $1, a, a^2, a^3, a^4, \dots$.
4. Use mathematical induction to show that $n! \geq 2^{n+1}$, $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.
5. When is a simple graph G bipartite? Give an example.
6. Define complete graph and give an example.
7. Define homomorphism and isomorphism between two algebraic systems.
8. When is a group $(G, *)$ called abelian?
9. Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and $\rho(A)$ be its power set. Draw a Hasse diagram of $\langle \rho(A), \subseteq \rangle$.
10. When is a lattice called complete?

PART B – (5 x 16 = 80 Marks)

11. (a) (i) Using indirect method of proof, derive $p \rightarrow \neg s$ from the premises $p \rightarrow (q \vee r), q \rightarrow \neg p, s \rightarrow \neg r$ and p .

(ii) Prove that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational by giving a proof using contradiction.

Or

- (b) (i) Show that $\forall x(P(x) \vee Q(x)) \Rightarrow (\forall xP(x)) \vee (\exists xQ(x))$ by indirect method of proof.

(ii) Show that the statement “Every positive integer is the sum of the squares of three integers” is false.

12. (a) (i) If n Pigeonholes are occupied by $(kn+1)$ pigeons, where k is positive integer, prove that at least one Pigeonhole is occupied by $k+1$ or more Pigeons. Hence, find the minimum number of m integers to be selected from $S = \{1, 2, \dots, 9\}$ so that the sum of two of the m integers are even.

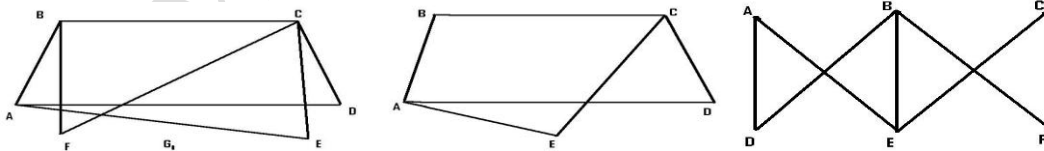
(ii) Solve the recurrence relation $a_{n+1} - a_n = 3n^2 - n, n \geq 0, a_0 = 3$.

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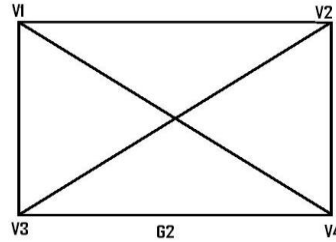
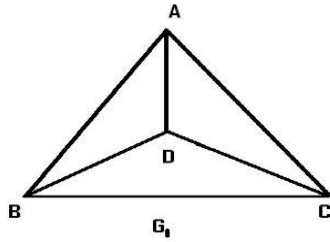
- (b) (i) Using mathematical induction to show that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + \dots + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} > \sqrt{n}, n \geq 2$.

(ii) Using method of generating function to solve the recurrence relation $a_n = 4a_{n-1} - 4a_{n-2} + 4^n; n \geq 2$, given that $a_0 = 2$ and $a_1 = 8$.

13. (a) i) Determine which of the following graphs are bipartite and which are not. If a graph is bipartite, state if it is completely bipartite.



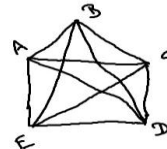
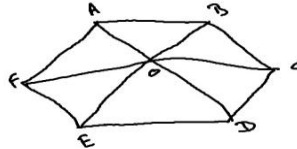
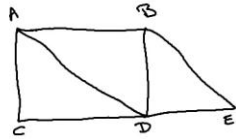
- (ii) Using circuits, examine whether the following pairs of graphs G_1, G_2 given below are isomorphic or not:



Or

(b) (i) Prove that the maximum number of edges in a simple disconnected graph G with n vertices and k components is $\frac{(n-k)(n-k+1)}{2}$.

(ii) Find an Euler path or an Euler circuit, if it exists in each of the three graphs below. If it does not exist, explain why?



14. (a) (i) Let $(S, *)$ be a semigroup. Then prove that there exists a homomorphism $g : S \rightarrow S^S$, where $\langle S^S, \circ \rangle$ is a semigroup of functions from S to S under the operation of (left) composition.

(ii) Prove that every finite group of order n is isomorphic to a permutation group of order n .

Or

(b) (i) Prove that the order of a subgroup of a finite group divides the order of the group.

(ii) Prove the theorem: Let $\langle G, * \rangle$ be a finite cyclic group generated by an element $a \in G$. If G is of order n , that is, $|G| = n$, then $a^n = e$, so that $G = \{a, a^2, a^3, \dots, a^n = e\}$. Further more n is a least positive integer for which $a^n = e$.

15. (a) (i) If $P(S)$ is the power set of a set S and \cup, \cap are taken as join and meet, prove that $\langle P(S), \subseteq \rangle$ is a lattice. Also, prove the modular inequality of a Lattice $\langle L, \leq \rangle$ for any $a, b, c \in L$, $a \leq c \Leftrightarrow a \vee (b \wedge c) \leq (a \vee b) \wedge c$.

(ii) In any Boolean algebra, show that $ab' + a'b = 0$ if and only if $a = b$.

Or

(b) (i) Prove that Demorgan's laws hold good for a complemented distributive lattice $\langle L, \wedge, \vee \rangle$, viz $(a \vee b)' = a' \wedge b'$ and $(a \wedge b)' = a' \vee b'$.

(ii) In any Boolean algebra, prove that the following statements are equivalent:

(1) $a + b = b$

(2) $a \cdot b = a$

(3) $a' + b = 1$ and

(4) $a \cdot b' = 0$

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