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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2016.

Third Semester

Mathematics

Paper II — DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

(No additional sheet will be supplied)

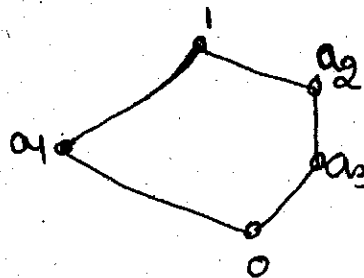
PART A — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE of the following.

Each question carries 5 marks.

Each answer should not exceed 1 page.

1. Show that $S \vee R$ is tautologically implied by $(P \vee Q) \wedge (P \rightarrow R) \wedge (Q \rightarrow S)$.
2. Translate into symbolic form the statement :
Jack and Jill went up the hill.
3. Show that there are only five distinct phase diagrams for partially ordered sets that contains three elements.
4. Let $(S, *)$, (T, Δ) and (V, \oplus) be semigroups and $g: S \rightarrow T$ and $L: T \rightarrow V$ be semigroup homomorphism. Then show that $h \circ g: S \rightarrow V$ is a semigroup homomorphism from $(S, *)$ to (V, \oplus) .
5. Define a lattice, a distributive lattice and a complemented lattice. Show that every chain is distributive lattice.
6. Examine whether the lattice given by the diagram here under is distributive.



7. In any Boolean algebra, show that $a = b \Leftrightarrow ab' + a'b = 0$.
8. Determine the following function is symmetric $abc' + ab'c + a'bc + ab'c' + a'bc' + a'b'c$.

PART B — (4 × 12 ½ = 50 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Each question carries 12½ marks.

Each answer should not exceed 5 pages.

UNIT I

9. (a) Prove that $(\exists x)(P(x) \wedge Q(x)) \Rightarrow (\exists x)P(x) \wedge (\exists x)Q(x)$.
(b) Show that: $(x)(P(x) \vee Q(x)) \Rightarrow (x)P(x) \vee (\exists x)Q(x)$.

Or

10. (a) Demonstrate that R is a valid inference from the premises $P \rightarrow Q$, $Q \rightarrow R$ and P .
(b) Show that $R \rightarrow S$ can be derived from the premises $P \rightarrow (Q \rightarrow S)$, $\neg R \vee P$ and Q .

UNIT II

11. (a) Let $(M, *)$ be a monoid. Prove that there exists a subset $T \subseteq M^M$ such that $(M, *)$ is isomorphic to the monoid (T, \circ) .
(b) For any commutative monoid $(M, *)$, Show that the set of independent elements of M forms a submonoid.

Or

12. (a) If R is a partial ordering relation on a set X and $A \subseteq X$, show that $R \cap (A \times A)$ is partial ordering relation on A .
(b) Let $(S, *)$ be a given semigroup. Then show that there exists a homomorphism $g; S \rightarrow S^S$, where (S^S, \circ) is a semigroup of functions from S to S under the operation of (left) composition

UNIT III

13. (a) Let (L, \leq) be a lattice in which $*$ and \oplus denote the operations of meet and join respectively. Then show that $a \leq b \Leftrightarrow a * b = a \Leftrightarrow a \oplus b = b$, for all $a, b \in L$.
(b) Let (L, \leq) be a lattice. Then for any $a, b, c \in L$, show that the following inequalities hold
 $a \oplus (b * c) \leq (a \oplus b) * (a \oplus c)$
 $a * (b \oplus c) \geq (a * b) \oplus (a * c)$

Or

14. (a) Define a sub-lattice. Show that every interval of a lattice is a sub-lattice.
(b) Show that the Demorgan's Laws, given by $(a * b)' = a' \oplus b'$ and $(a \oplus b)' = a' * b'$ hold in a complements, distributive lattice.

UNIT IV

15. (a) In any Boolean algebra show that $(a + b)(a' + c) = ac + a'b = ac + a'b + bc$.
(b) Show that the Boolean expression $(x_1' + x_2') \oplus (x_1 \oplus x_2)$ is symmetric.

Or

16. Write the following Boolean expressions in an equivalent sum-of-products canonical form and product-of-sums canonical form.

(a) $x_1 * x_2$

(b) $x_1 \oplus x_2$

(c)

$(x_1 \oplus x_2)' * x_2$.