



UNIVERSITY OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY, TARKWA

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COURSE NO: CE 275

COURSE NAME: DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

CLASS: CE II

TIME: 3 HOURS

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INSTRUCTIONS: During this exams, any communication with any person (other than the instructor) in any form, including written, signed, verbal, or digital, is understood to be a violation of academic integrity.

SECTION (ONE)

The scoring for this exam is determined by the formula $[C - (0.25 \times I)] \times 1.4$ where C is the number of correct responses and I is the number of incorrect responses. An unanswered question earns zero points. Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the questions.

SECTION B

Instruction: Answer ONLY TWO questions from this section

Q1(a). Define and give an example each of the following:

- (i) Equivalence Relation (ii). Partition of a set A
(iii). Cardinality of a set P

(b) (i). Assuming x as an arbitrary element, prove that the complement of the union of two sets A and B is the intersection of their complements.

(ii). Prove the identity $(A \cup B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$ by using the membership table.

(c). Find the expansion of $(1+b)^n$ and hence show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{(32-x)}} = \frac{1}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1.6.11 \dots (5n-4)}{5^n \cdot 2^{5n+1} \cdot n!}$$

Q2(a). The transitive closure R^* of a relation R is given as a set of ordered pair

$$R^* = \{(a, b), (a, c), (a, d), (b, b), (b, c), (b, d), (c, b), (c, c), (c, d), (d, b), (d, c), (d, d)\}$$

- (i). Determine a matrix M_{R^*} representing the transitive closure R^* of the relation R .
- (ii). Draw a digraph for the representation of the transitive closure R^* of the relation R
- (iii). Is the transitive closure R^* of the relation R an equivalence relation?. Give examples to support your answers at each instance.
- (b). Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ and R is a relation defined by “a divides b”. Write R as a set of ordered pair, draw the digraph and find R^{-1} .
- (c). Prove by mathematical induction that $5^n - 1$ is divisible by 4 for every positive integer $n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Q3(a). Define and give an example each of the following:

- (i). The Cartesian product of the sets A and B .
- (ii). The relative complement of a set B with respect to a set A .

(b). Prove that if

$$(i) \quad a | b \text{ and } b | c \text{ then } a | c \quad (ii). \quad a | b \text{ and } a | c \text{ then } a | (b + c)$$

(c). Prove by mathematical induction that $n^3 - n$ is divisible by 3 for every positive integer n .

(d). Given that the Newton's Binomial expansion $(1 + x)^{27} = \sum_{k=0}^{27} \binom{27}{k} x^k$, use this to compute the following expressions:

$$(i) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{27} \binom{27}{k} (-3)^{2k+1} \quad (ii). \quad \sum_{k=0}^{27} k \binom{27}{k} (3)^{2k}$$

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