

## FIRST SEMESTER B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION (CCSS) NOVEMBER 2010

## MATHEMATICS (CORE COURSE)

## MM1B01 FOUNDATIONS OF MATHEMATICS

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum: 30 weightage

## Part A : Objective type questions

*(Answer all 12 questions. Each bunch of four questions carries 1 Weight)*

1. Find the number of subsets of the set  $A = \{x \mid x \text{ is a day of the week}\}$ .
2. If  $|A| = 24$ ,  $|B| = 69$  and  $|A \cup B| = 81$ , find  $|A \cap B|$ .
3. Find  $(A \cup B) \cap (A \cup B^c)$ .
4. State the DeMorgan's law of sets.

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5. Determine whether  $R = \{(1,3), (2,1)\}$  is anti-symmetric if  $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$ .
6. How many functions can be defined from a finite set  $A$  to a finite set  $B$  with  $|A|$  and  $|B|$  elements respectively?
7. Define characteristic function of a set  $A$ .
8. Whether the statement "Do not litter" is a proposition?

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9. Write the contrapositive of the statement  $p \rightarrow q$ .
10. When will you say that two propositions  $p$  and  $q$  are logically equivalent?
11. Give an example of a propositional function.
12. What is the truth value of the quantification  $\exists x Q(x)$  if  $Q(x)$  denotes the statement  $x = x + 1$  and the universe of discourse is the set of real numbers?

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## Short answer type questions

*(Answer all 9 questions. Each question carries one Weight)*

13. If  $A = \{a, b, c, d, e\}$ ,  $B = \{a, b, d, j, g\}$ ,  $C = \{b, c, e, g, h\}$ , find  $(A \oplus C) \setminus B$ .
14. Find  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $(x + 2, 4) = (5, 2x + y)$ .
15. Check whether the relation  $x > y$  on the set of natural numbers is anti-symmetric?

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16. Define a recursive function to obtain the successive terms of the Fibonacci Series.
17. State the converse of the implication "If it snows tonight, then I will stay at home"
18. Show that  $\neg(\neg p)$  and  $p$  are logically equivalent.
19. Use quantifiers to express the following statement:  
"Every student in this class knows to speak Hindi"
20. Determine the truth value of the statement  $\exists x \forall y \neq 0 \exists (xy = 1)$  if the universe of discourse of each variable is the set of real numbers.

(9 x 1 = 9 Weights)

#### Short essay questions

(Answer any 5 questions. Each question carries 2 Weights)

21. Suppose  $R$  is a partial order on a set  $A$ . Show that  $R^{-1}$  is also a partial order on  $A$ .
22. Let  $A$  be a set of nonzero integers and let  $\approx$  be the relation on  $A \times A$  defined as follows:  $(a, b) \approx (c, d)$  whenever  $ad = bc$ . Prove that  $\approx$  is an equivalence relation.
23. Suppose  $\mathcal{C}$  is a collection of relations  $S$  on a set  $A$  and let  $T$  be the intersection of the relations  $S$ , i.e.,  $T = \cap \{S : S \in \mathcal{C}\}$ . Prove that if every  $S$  is transitive then  $T$  is transitive.
24. Consider the formula  $f(x) = x^2$ .
  - a. Find the largest interval  $D$  such that  $f: D \rightarrow R$  is a one-to-one function.
  - b. Find the smallest target set  $T$  such that  $f: R \rightarrow T$  is an onto function.
25. Show that  $(p \vee q) \rightarrow (p \wedge q)$  is a tautology.
26. Prove that  $p \leftrightarrow q$  and  $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$  are logically equivalent.
27. Determine whether  $\exists x P(x) \wedge \exists x Q(x)$  and  $\exists x (P(x) \wedge Q(x))$  are logically equivalent.

(5 x 2 = 10 Weights)

#### Essay questions

(Answer any 2 questions. Each question carries 4 Weights)

28. Consider functions  $f: A \rightarrow B$  and  $g: B \rightarrow C$ . Prove the following:
  - a) If  $f$  and  $g$  are one-to-one, then  $g \circ f$  is one-to-one.
  - b) If  $f$  and  $g$  are onto functions, then  $g \circ f$  is an onto function.
  - c) If  $g \circ f$  is one-to-one, then  $f$  is one-to-one.
  - d) If  $g \circ f$  is onto, then  $g$  is onto.

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29. Consider the following five relations:

1. Relation  $\leq$  (less than or equal) on the set  $Z$  of integers.
2. Set inclusion  $\subseteq$  on a collection  $\mathcal{C}$  of sets.
3. Relation  $\perp$  (perpendicular) on the set  $L$  of lines in the plane.
4. Relation  $\parallel$  (parallel) on the set  $L$  of lines in the plane.
5. Relation  $|$  of divisibility on the set  $P$  of positive integers.

Determine which of the relations are: (a) reflexive, (b) symmetric, (c) anti symmetric, (d) transitive.

30. Establish the following logical equivalences where  $A$  is a proposition not involving any quantifiers.

- a.  $(\forall x P(x)) \vee A \Leftrightarrow \forall x (P(x) \vee A)$
- b.  $(\exists x P(x)) \vee A \Leftrightarrow \exists x (P(x) \vee A)$
- c.  $(\forall x P(x)) \wedge A \Leftrightarrow \forall x (P(x) \wedge A)$
- d.  $(\exists x P(x)) \wedge A \Leftrightarrow \exists x (P(x) \wedge A)$

(2 x 4 = 8 Weights)