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SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE)**

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: COM 1205

COURSE TITLE: DISCRETE STRUCTURE II

DATE: 17TH APRIL 2019 TIME: 11.00AM TO 01.00PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Questions ONE and any other TWO

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SECTION - A
QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY 30 MARKS)

a) Convert the following SOP expression to an equivalent POS expression.

$$ABC + \bar{A}BC + ABC + \bar{A}BC + \bar{A}BC \quad \text{(2 Marks)}$$

b) Construct logic networks for the following Boolean expressions, using AND gates, OR gates, and inverters. $(x + y)z$ **(2 Marks)**

c) A group consists of nine men and six women. Find the number m of committees of six that can be selected from the class.

(3 Marks)

d) Verify that the proposition $p \vee (p \wedge q)$ is not tautology. **(4 Marks)**

e) Use the K-Map and convert the expression into minimal form.

$$\bar{A}\bar{B}CD + \bar{A}B\bar{C}D + \bar{A}BCD + A\bar{B}\bar{C}D + B\bar{C}D + BCD + ABCD + ABD + \bar{A}BCD$$

(4 Marks)

f) Determine the values of A, B, C, and D that make the sum term $\bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C} + D$ equal to zero. **(4 Marks)**

g) Which of the following expressions is in the sum-of-products (SOP) form?

1. $(A + B)(C + D)$

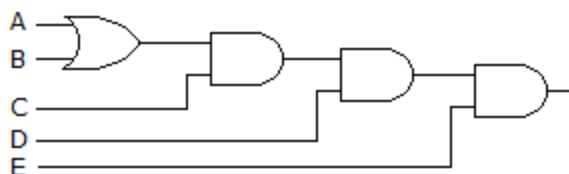
2. $(A)B(CD)$

3. $AB(CD)$

4. $AB + CD$

(2 Marks)

h) Derive the Boolean expression for the logic circuit shown below:



(3 Marks)

i) Compute the truth table of $(F \vee G) \wedge \neg (F \wedge G)$.

(6 Marks)

SECTION - B:
QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Prove $x + y = x + (x \cdot y + x \cdot y)$ **(5 Marks)**

b) Let's consider a propositional language where

- p means "Paola is happy",
- q means "Paola paints a picture",
- r means "Renzo is happy".

Formalize the following sentences:

1. "if Paola is happy and paints a picture then Renzo isn't happy"
2. "if Paola is happy, then she paints a picture"
3. "Paola is happy only if she paints a picture" **(3 Marks)**

c) From the truth table below, determine the standard SOP expression.

Inputs			Output
A	B	C	X
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

(4 Marks)

d) Use the truth tables method to determine whether $(p \rightarrow q) \vee (p \rightarrow \neg q)$ is valid. **(4 Marks)**

e) Let's consider a propositional language where

- p: means "x is a prime number",

- q: means “x is odd”. Formalize the following sentences:
 1. “x being prime is a sufficient condition for x being odd”
 2. “x being odd is a necessary condition for x being prime” **(4 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Prove the associative law: $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$ **(3 Marks)**

b) Design a three-input minimal AND-OR circuit L that will have the following truth table:

T= [A=00001111, B= 00110011, C= 01010101; L= 11001101] **(5 Marks)**

c) Reduce to Negative Normal Form (NNF) the formula.

$\neg(\neg p \vee q) \vee (r \rightarrow \neg s)$ **(2 Marks)**

d) Applying De Morgan’s theorem to the expression \overline{ABC} , we get _____. **(2 Marks)**

e) A truth table for the SOP expression $\overline{ABC} + \overline{ABC} + \overline{ABC}$ has how many input combinations? **(2 Marks)**

f) Use the K-Map and convert the expression into minimal form.

$\overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}$

(6 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Simplify the expression in to minimal form.

$Z = f(A,B,C) = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C} + \overline{A}B + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + AC$ **(2 Marks)**

b) Use the truth tables method to determine whether the formula $\phi: p \wedge \neg q \rightarrow p \wedge q$ is a logical consequence of the formula $\psi: \neg p$. **(4 Marks)**

c) Draw a logic circuit for $\overline{AB} + AC$. **(2 Marks)**

d) Define an appropriate language and formalize the following sentences using FOL formulas.

1. All Students are smart.
2. There exists a student.
3. There exists a smart student.
4. Every student loves some student.
5. Every student loves some other student.
6. There is a student who is loved by every other student.
7. Bill is a student.
8. Bill takes either Analysis or Geometry (but not both).
9. Bill takes Analysis and Geometry.
10. No students love Bill. **(5 Marks)**

e) Use the truth tables method to determine whether $p \rightarrow (q \wedge \neg q)$ and $\neg p$ are logically equivalent. **(4 Marks)**

f) *Define a propositional language which allows to describe the state of a traffic light on different instants.*

With the language defined above provide a (set of) formulas which expresses the following facts:

1. *the traffic light is either green, or red or orange;*
2. *the traffic light switches from green to orange, from orange to red, and from red to green;*
3. *it can keep the same color over at most 3 successive states.* **(3 Marks)**

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