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Mathematics

MT IC 05—DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

(2010 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Part A (Short Answer Questions) (1-14)

*Answer all questions.
Each question has 1 weightage.*

1. Let (X, \leq_1) and (Y, \leq_2) be partially ordered sets and let $Z = X \times Y$. Define a relation $<$ on Z as follows :

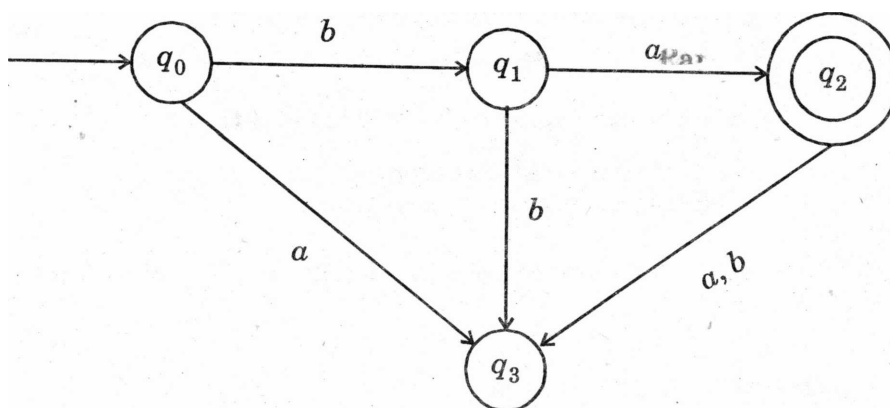
$$(x_1, y_1) < (x_2, y_2) \Leftrightarrow x_1 <_1 x_2 \text{ and } y_1 <_2 y_2.$$

Prove that $<$ is a partial order on Z .

2. Let X be the set of positive integers which divide 30. Define a relation $<$ on X by $x < y$ if and only if $x \mid y$. Draw the Hasse diagram of this relation.
3. Let $(X, +, \cdot, ')$ be a Boolean algebra. Prove that $(x')' = x$ for all $x \in X$.
4. Prove that $x_1 x_2 + x_3$ is symmetric with respect to x_1 and x_2 .
5. Find the girth of the graph K_5 .
6. Define Eulerian graph. Determine the values of m and n such that $K_{m,n}$ is Eulerian.
7. If G is a simple graph, then prove that $\dim G \geq 3$ implies $\dim G \geq 3$.
8. Let G be a graph with connectivity 4. Is G 2-connected? Justify your answer.
9. Prove that $K_{3,3}$ cannot be drawn without crossing.
10. Let $l(F_i)$ denotes the length of face F_i in a plane graph G , then prove that $2e(G) = \sum l(F_i)$, where $e(G)$ is the number of edges in G .

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11. Find a grammar for $\Sigma^* = \{a, b\}^*$ that generates the set of all strings with exactly one a .
12. Define a regular language and give an example of it.
13. Show that if L is regular, then so is $L - \{X\}$.
14. Find the set of strings accepted by the following deterministic acceptor.



(14 x 1 = 14 weightage)

Part B

Answer any **seven** from the following ten questions (15-24).
Each question has weightage 2.

15. Let $(X, +, \cdot)$ be a finite Boolean algebra. Prove that every element of X can be uniquely expressed as a sum of atoms.
16. Prove that in a distributive, bounded lattice, the complements are unique, whenever they exist.
17. Prove that every u, v -walk contains a u, v -path.
18. Prove that the number of odd degree vertices in a given graph is even.
19. Prove that an edge is a cut edge if and only if it belongs to no cycle.
20. Prove that a tree with n vertices has $n - 1$ edges.
21. If G is a simple graph, then prove that

$$k(G) \leq \delta(G).$$

22. Let G be a simple planar graph with **atleast** three vertices. If G is triangle-free, then prove that $e(G) \leq n(G) - 4$, where $e(G)$ and $n(G)$ denote the number of edges and vertices in G respectively.
23. Find a grammar that generates the language $\{a^n b : n > 0\}$.
24. Let $E = \{a, b, c\}$. Construct a deterministic finite acceptor that accepts that language $a\Sigma^*b$.

(7 x 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C

Answer any two from the following four questions (25-28).

Each question has **weightage** 4.

25. (a) Prove that every finite Boolean algebra is isomorphic to a **powerset** Boolean algebra.
 (b) Write the Boolean function

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_3' + x_2x_1 + x_1'x_3)$$

in their disjunctive normal form.

26. Prove that the complete graph K_n can be expressed as the union of k bipartite graphs if and only if $n \leq 2^k$.
27. (a) Prove that every connected graph contains a spanning tree.
 (b) If a connected plane graph G has exactly n vertices, e edges and f faces, then prove that $n - e + f = 2$.
28. (a) Let (Q, E, δ, q_0, F) be a **deterministic** finite acceptor accepting the language L . Prove that $(Q, E, \delta, q_0, Q - F)$ accepts the language $E^* - L$.
 (b) Let G_M be the transition graph of some deterministic finite acceptor M . If $L(M)$ is infinite, then prove that G_M must have at least one cycle for which there is a path from the initial vertex to some vertex in the cycle.

(2 x 4 = 8 weightage),