



GRETSA UNIVERSITY - THIKA

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS MAY - AUGUST 2018 SEMESTER

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: BSCS 100

COURSE TITLE: DISCRETE STRUCTURES I

DATE: 6TH AUGUST 2018

TIME: 8.00AM – 11.00AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. SECTION A IS **COMPULSORY**.
2. SECTION B: ANSWER ANY OTHER **THREE** QUESTIONS.
3. **DO NOT** WRITE ANYTHING ON THIS QUESTION PAPER AS IT WILL BE AN EXAM IRREGULARITY.
4. ALL ROUGH WORK SHOULD BE AT THE BACK OF YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET AND CROSSED OUT.

CAUTION: *All exam rooms are under CCTV surveillance during the examination period.*

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

Question One

a) Define the principle of inclusion and exclusion of three sets [4 marks]

b) Show that the following functions are inverses of each other ; $f(x) = \frac{x+2}{x-3}$ and

$$g(x) = \frac{3x+2}{x-1} \quad [6 \text{ marks}]$$

c) Define and list examples of the following terms

i. Containment of a set [2 marks]

ii. Proper subset [2 marks]

iii. Finite set [2 marks]

iv. Universal set [2 marks]

d) Proof using Venn diagrams and set notation.

i. $A - B = A \cap B'$ [5 marks]

ii. $(A \cap B)' = A' \cup B'$ [5 marks]

e) Describe the difference between Polynomial functions and Rational functions [4 marks]

f) State whether the following functions are propositions or not

i. *Four plus four equals eight* [2 marks]

ii. $(6,4,3) \subset (7,4,8,6,3,4)$ [2 marks]

iii. *Do you speak Spanish?* [2 marks]

iv. $4-x=8$ [2 marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

Question Two

a) Define a Compound Proposition [3 marks]

b) Given the functions $f(x) = 3x + 2$ and $g(x) = 3x^2 + 4x$

Evaluate

i. $f(x) + g(x)$ [2 marks]

ii. $f(x)g(x)$ [2 marks]

iii. $f \circ g$ [3 marks]

iv. f^{-1} [3 marks]

c) Show that $(\neg q \wedge (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow \neg p$ is a Tautology [6 marks]

Question three

- a) Consider the following statements;

p: "You take a course in discrete mathematics"

q: "You understand logic"

r: "You get an A on the final exam"

Write as simple English statements as possible using;

i. $p \rightarrow q$ [2 marks]

ii. $p \vee q$ [2 marks]

iii. $(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \neg r$ [3 marks]

iv. $\neg(p \vee q)$ [3 marks]

- b) Construct a truth table for $\neg p \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow p)$ [6 marks]

- c) State the type of functions shown below

i. $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

$$f(x) = x^3 \quad [2 \text{ marks}]$$

ii. $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$g(x) = (3x + 1) \quad [2 \text{ marks}]$$

Question Four

- a) Define a Logically equivalent statement [2 marks]

Given the sets below

$$\xi = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 20\}$$

$$A = \{5, 10, 15, 20\}$$

$$B = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 18, 20\}$$

$$C = \{3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18\}$$

- i. Construct a Venn diagram for the sets and fill in the elements. [12marks]

- ii. Solve for $(A \cap B) \cap C$ and $((A \cup B) \cup C)'$ [6marks]

Question five

- a) Show that contrapositive and conditional are logically equivalent [4marks]

- b) Define the sets of numbers citing examples

- i. Rational numbers [1marks]

- ii. Natural numbers [1marks]

iii. Real numbers [1marks]

iv. Irrational numbers [1marks]

v. Imaginary numbers [1marks]

b) Given the statement

P: It rains

Q: The crops will grow

Write the down the following in as natural way as possible;

i. Implication [1marks]

ii. Converse, inverse and contrapositive of (i). [3marks]

c) Given the set

$$A = \{1, c, f, 3, g, k, t\}$$

$$B = \{b, f, k, n, m\}$$

$$C = \{a, 3, t, z, x, k\}$$

$$\xi = \{1, a, c, 3, f, g, k, t, b, n, m, z, x, p, y\}$$

Find

i. A' [1marks]

ii. $A' \cup B'$ [2marks]

iii. $(A \cup B)'$ [2marks]

iv. $(A \cap B)'$ [2marks]