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Vellore Institute of Technology

Final Assessment Test - November 2025

Course: BMAT205L - Discrete Mathematics and Graph Theory

Class NBR(s): 0864 / 0869 / 0872 / 0889 / 0893 /

Slot: A1+TA1+TAA1

2452 / 4418

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 100

- KEEPING MOBILE PHONE/ANY ELECTRONIC GADGETS, EVEN IN 'OFF' POSITION IS TREATED AS EXAM MALPRACTICE
- DON'T WRITE ANYTHING ON THE QUESTION PAPER

COs	CO Statements
CO1	Learn proof techniques and concepts of inference theory
CO2	Use algebraic structures in applications
CO3	Counting techniques in engineering problems.
CO4	Use lattice and Boolean algebra properties in Digital circuits.
CO5	Solve Science and Engineering problems using Graph theory.

BL - Blooms Taxonomy Level (1 - Remember, 2 - Understand, 3 - Apply, 4 - Analyse, 5 - Evaluate, 6 - Create)

Answer ALL Questions
(10 X 10 = 100 Marks)

Consider the following argument :

The system will generate reports only if the server is active or the backup is online. Whenever the server is active, the database responds. The database did not respond.

Using the method of indirect proof, prove that the system did not generate reports.

CO1 BL3

2. Prove that the following premises are inconsistent.

Every student who applies for a scholarship and meets the eligibility criteria will either be shortlisted or informed of rejection. Any student who is shortlisted receives an official email. There exists at least one student who applies for a scholarship, meets the eligibility criteria, and is not informed of rejection. No student receives any official email.

CO1 BL3

 3. Consider a set $G = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, where \mathbb{C} is the set of all complex numbers. Define $a * b = \frac{ab}{|ab|}$. Verify if G forms a group or not under the operation '*'.

CO2 BL3

 4. Consider the group coding function $e: B^2 \rightarrow B^4$ defined by $e(00) = 0000, e(10) = 1001, e(01) = 0111$ and $e(11) = 1111$. Decode the following words (a) 0011 (b) 1011 (c) 1111.

CO2 BL3

 5.a) In a 6×6 table, 19 cells are selected.

CO3 BL3

i) Show that there is at least one row or column with at least 4 selected cells.

ii) Determine the maximum possible number of selected cells in a row if the number of selected cells in each column is at most 3.

OR

5.b) Using generating functions, solve the recurrence relation

CO3 BL3

 $a_{n+2} - 3a_{n+1} + 2a_n = 0, n \geq 0$ with initial conditions $a_0 = 1, a_1 = 2$.

6. Define Distributive Lattice. State and prove Distributive Inequalities.

CO4 BL2

7. Simplify the following Boolean expressions :

CO4 BL3

i) $f(x, y, z, w, v) = xy\bar{z} + xyz + x\bar{y}z + \bar{x}yz + xy\bar{z}w$

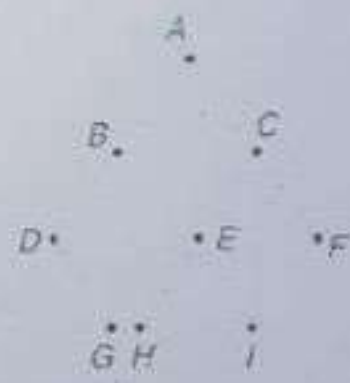
ii) $f(x, y, z, w) = xy + \bar{x}z + xw + y\bar{z}w$

8. Prove that a simple graph with n vertices and k components can have at most $\frac{(n-k)(n-k+1)}{2}$ edges.

CO5 BL3

9.a) List the order in which the vertices of the following tree will be processed in inorder, preorder, and post order traversal

CO5 BL3



Also, construct the binary trees whose inorder and preorder traversal is as follows :

Inorder : HDIBEAFCG

Preorder : ABDHIECFG

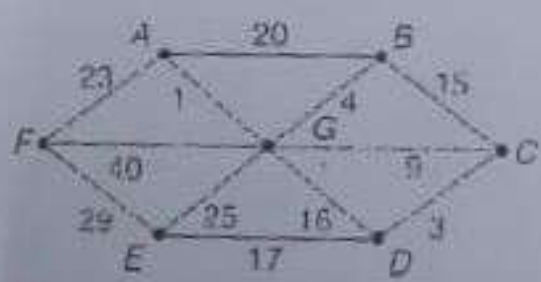
Inorder : QBAGCPEDR

Preorder : GBQACPDER

OR

9.b) Find the minimum spanning tree for the following graph using Kruskal's algorithm

CO5 BL3



10. Find the chromatic number and chromatic polynomial of the graph $K_{3,2}$.

CO5 BL3