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**Final Assessment Test – April 2026**

Course: CBS3003 - Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Class NBR(s): 2386/2417

Time: Three Hours

Slot: D2

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 | Analyse worst-case running times of algorithms using asymptotic analysis. |
| CO2 | Identify suitable algorithmic paradigm for solving the given problem.     |
| CO3 | Understand and apply various graph-based algorithms.                      |
| CO4 | Understand the classes of complexity.                                     |
| CO5 | Introduction to approximation, randomized and quantum algorithms.         |
| CO6 | Describe various Algorithm strategies, analysis and their implementation  |

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

Answer ALL Questions  
(10 X 10 = 100 Marks)

1.
  - a) Define asymptotic notation and explain Big-O notation with example. [3] CO1 BL2
  - b) Illustrate time-space trade-off using Recursive and iterative method, considering generation of Fibonacci sequence (or) merge sort. [7]
2.
  - a) In a Travelling Salesman Problem (TSP) with n cities, how many possible tours exist using the brute-force approach? Derive the formula and compute the number of tours when n = 5. [4] CO2 BL2
  - b) Solve the 0/1 Knapsack problem using LC Branch and Bound (Best First Search). Construct the state space tree, compute the upper bound at each node, and determine the optimal solution. [6]

| Item | Profit | Weight |
|------|--------|--------|
| 1    | 40     | 2      |
| 2    | 30     | 5      |
| 3    | 50     | 10     |
| 4    | 10     | 5      |

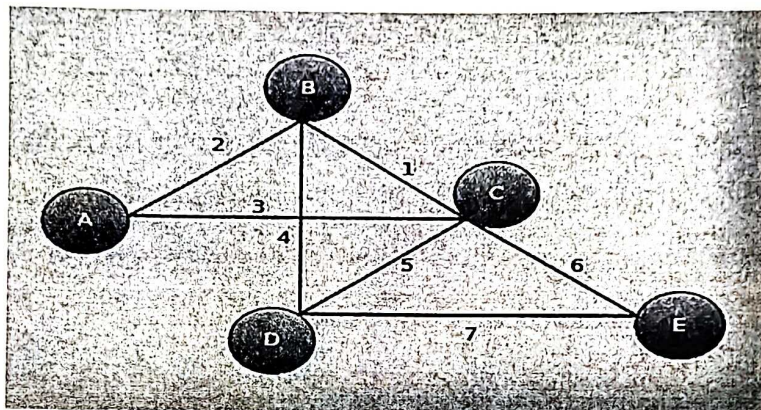
Knapsack capacity W = 16.

3. a) Discuss the differences between divide and conquer with dynamic programming. Consider a sample test case in solving the same. [4] CO6 BL3
- b) Construct Huffman Code for given frequencies. [6]

| Character | Frequency |
|-----------|-----------|
| A         | 5         |
| B         | 9         |
| C         | 12        |
| D         | 13        |
| E         | 16        |
| F         | 45        |

Show the Huffman tree and the corresponding codes for each character.

4. a) Consider the following undirected weighted graph with vertices  $V = \{A, B, C, D, E\}$ . [4] CO3 BL3



Using Kruskal's Algorithm:

- Construct the Minimum Spanning Tree (MST).
  - Show the step-by-step edge selection process.
  - Calculate the total weight of the Minimum Spanning Tree.
- b) For the graph given above, apply Floyd warshall algorithm to calculate the shortest distance, iterate the steps by considering 'a' as the starting node. [6]

5. A data processing system performs a sequence of matrix operations. The dimensions of the matrices are given below:

CO6 BL4

| Matrix | Dimension      |
|--------|----------------|
| A1     | $10 \times 30$ |
| A2     | $30 \times 5$  |
| A3     | $5 \times 60$  |
| A4     | $60 \times 15$ |

Matrix multiplication cost is calculated as:

Number of scalar multiplications =  $a \times b \times c$

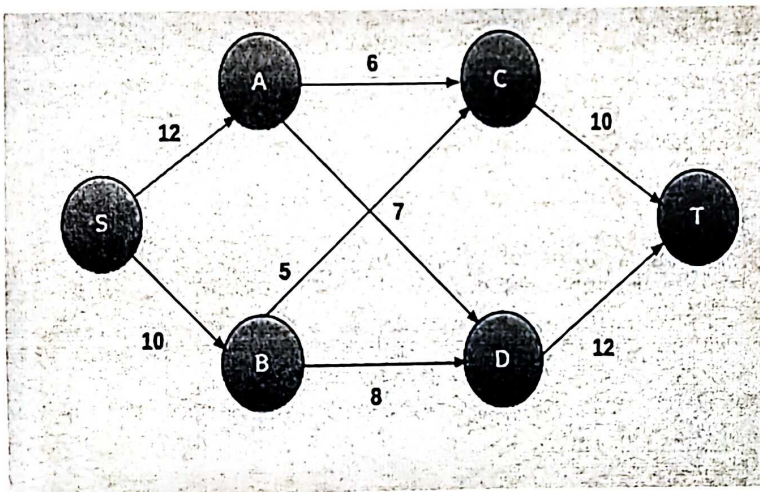
when multiplying matrices of dimension  $(a \times b)$  and  $(b \times c)$ .

Answer the following:

- Construct the dynamic programming cost table for Matrix Chain Multiplication. [3]
- Determine the minimum number of scalar multiplications required. [3]
- Identify the optimal parenthesization of the matrices. [2]
- Write the recurrence relation used in Matrix Chain Multiplication. [2]

6. A Video streaming platform distributes content from a central server S to a destination server T through intermediate routing nodes. Each communication link has a maximum bandwidth capacity (in MB/s) as shown below.

CO3 BL4



Based on the above flow network, answer the following:

- Identify the augmenting paths from source S to sink T in the network. [3]
- Using the Ford–Fulkerson method, determine the maximum flow from S to T. Clearly show the flow sent through each augmenting path. [5]
- Explain the role of the residual graph in updating the flow during the Ford–Fulkerson algorithm. [2]

7. Consider the 3cnf  $\rightarrow (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (x_3 \vee \bar{x}_5 \vee x_6) \wedge (x_3 \vee \bar{x}_6 \vee x_4) \wedge (x_4 \vee x_5 \vee x_6)$ , prove how it is reduced to clique, mention the maximum size of clique.

CO4 BL4

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| 8.        | For the given data, {20, 5, 3, 25, 10, 8, 42, 35} sort using randomized Quick sort Algorithm. Illustrate the steps involved.    | CO5 | BL3 |
| 9.a)      | Explain the 2-Approximation algorithm for Vertex Cover and prove that it produces a solution within twice the optimal solution. | CO5 | BL4 |
| <b>OR</b> |                                                                                                                                 |     |     |
| 9.b)      | Explain Approximation algorithm for TSP and derive its approximation ratio.                                                     | CO5 | BL4 |
| 10.a)     | With a suitable examples, discuss the steps involved in solving the structure of Quantum algorithm.                             | CO5 | BL3 |
| <b>OR</b> |                                                                                                                                 |     |     |
| 10.b)     | Explain Grover's Search Algorithm and compare with classical search.                                                            | CO5 | BL3 |

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