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B.A., B.Sc. and Third Science Examination

Computer studies

CS304 = (MA325 + MA326) = CS310 = Second paper of CS320

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Time allowed: *three* hours.

Candidates taking CS304 should answer four questions, two from each section.

Candidates taking only MA325 should answer two questions from section A.

Section A

Answer only two questions

1. (a) Define what it means for two propositions to be *logically equivalent*.
(b) Define what it means for a logical proposition to be a *tautology* and a *contradiction* respectively.
(c) For each of the following propositions, determine if it is a tautology, a contradiction or neither.
 - i. $\neg(p \rightarrow \neg p)$
 - ii. $(\neg p \vee q) \leftrightarrow (p \rightarrow q)$
 - iii. $(p \wedge q) \vee (\neg p \wedge \neg q)$
2. (a) Write down the truth tables for $p \vee q$, $p \wedge q$ and $\neg p$.
(b) Use the method of resolution to check if the following arguments are valid:
 - i. $\{p \vee q, p \rightarrow s, q \rightarrow s\} \models s$.
 - ii. $\{q, \neg p \leftrightarrow \neg q\} \models p$.
3. (a) Find the disjunctive normal form of the following propositions
 - i. $\neg p \wedge (\neg q \rightarrow r)$.
 - ii. $p \leftrightarrow (q \wedge r)$.
 - iii. $\neg(p \rightarrow q)$.
(b) Using natural deduction, show the following
 - i. $\vdash (\neg p \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p$.
 - ii. $\vdash (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (\neg q \rightarrow \neg p)$.

Section B

Answer only two questions

4. (a) Is there a DFA A such that $L(A) = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$? Justify your answer.
(b) For each of the following languages, construct a DFA that recognises it.
i. $L = \{a^n \mid n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}\}$, where the alphabet A is $\{a\}$.
ii. $L = \{A^*baaA^*\}$, where the alphabet A is $\{a, b\}$.

5. (a) Construct an NFA with ϵ -transitions that recognises the language

$$(a^2b^* + b^2a^*)(ab + ba).$$

- (b) Suppose you are given NFAs with ϵ -transitions A_1 and A_2 , that recognise the languages L_1 and L_2 respectively.

- Construct an NFA with ϵ -transitions that recognises $L_1 + L_2$
- Construct an NFA with ϵ -transitions that recognises $L_1 L_2$
- Construct an NFA with ϵ -transitions that recognises L_1^*

6. (a) Construct a Turing machine that recognises the language $L = \{a^n b^n \mid n \geq 0\}$

- (b) Construct Turing machines that compute $f(n)$ for

i.

$$f(n) = n + 1$$

ii.

$$f(n) = \begin{cases} 1, & n \leq 2 \\ 3, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Show how your machines run on the tape $\dots \sqcup 1111 \sqcup \dots$, when the starting position of the head is the leftmost 1.