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**Instructions:** 1. All questions are compulsory, however internal choice is available.  
2. Figures to the right indicate maximum marks allotted to the question.  
3. Use of Scientific non-programmable calculator is allowed.

**Q.1. Attempt any four of the following:**

**[16]**

- a) "There exists an integer  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that for any  $y \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $x + y = y$ ". Write this in symbols using quantifiers, negate it and write the negation in words.
- b) Write the converse and the contrapositive of the statement. "For real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $xy$  is an irrational number then  $x$  is irrational or  $y$  is irrational.
- c) Identify the set  $A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : ||x - 2| - |x - 4|| = 1\}$ .
- d) Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  be such that the composition  $(g \circ f)$  is injective and  $f$  is surjective. Show that  $g$  is injective.
- e) Prove the following statement,  
"For an integer  $n$ , if  $n^3 - 1$  is even, then  $n$  is odd."
- f) For any three sets  $A, B, C$ , Show that  $A \times (B \cap C) = (A \times B) \cap (A \times C)$ .

**Q.2. Attempt any four of the following:**

**[16]**

- a) Using Induction Principles, prove that  $n! > 2^n$  for all positive integers  $n \geq 4$ .
- b) For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $a_n$  as follows:  $a_1 = 1, a_2 = 2, a_3 = 3$  and for  $n \geq 3$   
 $a_n = a_{n-1} + a_{n-2} + a_{n-3}$ . Show that  $a_n < 2^n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- c) Show that "A subset of a countable set is countable".
- d) Prove the statement using the Induction Principles "Every integer greater than 1 has a prime divisor".
- e) We define a relation  $\leq$  on  $\mathbb{N}$  as,  $a \leq b$  if and only if  $a \leq 2b$ .  
Is this relation reflexive, symmetric, anti-symmetric, transitive?
- f)  $A$  be a subset of a partially ordered set  $(X, \leq)$ , define the following terms:
  - i. Chain
  - ii. Lower bound of  $A$ .
  - iii. Maximum of  $A$
  - iv. Infimum of  $A$



Q.3.A. Attempt **any one** of the following: [6]

- Prove the statement, "For  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $a^2 - 4b \neq 2$ ."
- Find whether the function  $f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$ ,  $f(x) = (1-x)/(1+x)$  is bijection.

B. Define the complement of a set.

Hence, State and prove the De Morgan's Theorem. [6]

Q.4.A. Attempt **any one** of the following: [6]

- Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  and  $h: Z \rightarrow W$  be functions, show that

$$h \circ (g \circ f) = (h \circ g) \circ f$$

- Let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $\mathcal{F} = \{A_\alpha \subseteq Y: \alpha \in I\}$  a family of subsets of  $Y$  indexed by  $I$ . Then show that  $f^{-1}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} A_\alpha) = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} f^{-1}(A_\alpha)$ .

B. If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  and  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  are bijection, then  $g \circ f$  is a bijection and  $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$  [6]

Q.5.A. Attempt **any one** of the following: [6]

- State the Induction Principle and the Strong Induction Principle.

Hence show that Induction Principle implies the Strong Induction Principle.

- A relation  $\sim$  on  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}^*$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}^* = \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  is given by

$(a, b) \sim (c, d)$  if and only if  $ad = bc$ . Show that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation.

Hence, find the equivalence classes and a suitable transversal.

B. State and prove the Schröder-Berstein Theorem. [6]

Q.6.A. Attempt **any one** of the following: [6]

- Prove that if  $A$  is finite and  $B$  is a proper subset of  $A$ , then  $|B| < |A|$

- For a non-empty set  $A$ , show that the following are equivalent.

- $A$  is countable.
- There is a one-one map of  $A$  into  $\mathbb{N}$ .
- There is an onto map from  $\mathbb{N}$  onto  $A$ .

B. Let  $(X, \leq)$  and  $(Y, \leq)$  be partially ordered sets. On  $X \times Y$ , define a relation

$(x_1, y_1) \leq (x_2, y_2)$  if and only if either  $x_1 < x_2$  or  $(x_1 = x_2 \text{ and } y_1 \leq y_2)$

Show that this relation on  $X \times Y$  is a partial order. [6]