



GARISSA UNIVERSITY

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR ONE
SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

SCHOOL OF INFORMATION SCIENCE

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF INFORMATION SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: COM 123

COURSE TITLE: MATHEMATICS FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

DATE: 06/04/18

TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has SIX (6) questions
- Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY
- Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- (a) Define the following terms
- i. Proposition [1 mark]
 - ii. Simple proposition [1 mark]
 - iii. Tautology [1 mark]
 - iv. Predicate [1 mark]
- (b) When are two compound propositions, A and B said to be logically equivalent? [1 mark]
- (c) Show that $\sim\{PV(\sim P\wedge Q)\}$ and $\sim P\wedge \sim Q$ are logically equivalent by developing a series of logical equivalences. [5 marks]
- (d) Outline five steps you must follow to determine the validity/invalidity of an argument [5 marks]
- (e) Demonstrate that $P\wedge(Q\wedge R) \models (P\wedge Q)\wedge R$ [5 marks]
- (f) Test the validity of the following argument: “If you insulted Ahmed then I will never speak to you again. You insulted Ahmed so I will never speak to you again” [5 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Define “*Universal Quantification*” . Use our definition to express symbolically, the statement “*Every student in this class has studied calculus*”. [5 marks]
- (b) Test the validity of the following argument using a truth table: “If I leave the University then I will get a job in the bank”. “I am not leaving the University so I won’t get a job in a bank” [7 marks]
- (c) Represent the following argument symbolically: “If you sit idle, you put on weight”. You sit idle, You put on weight. [3 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Obtain the Principal Disjunctive Normal Form of $(\sim P\wedge \sim Q) \Rightarrow (\sim P\wedge Q)$ [5 marks]
- (b) Define the following on the universe of men:

$M(x)$: x Is mortal And

$C(x)$: x Lives in the city

Symbolize the negations of the following propositions, changing the quantifier:



- i. All men are immortal
- ii. Some men live in the city.

In each case, write the alternative statements in some reasonable English

[6 marks]

- (c) State the rules applied in generating a well formulated formula

[4 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) The following predicates and individuals are defined thus:

m: Maria

s: Maria'sson

C: Works in the city

B: rides a bicycle

F: is a chicken farmer

Symbolize the following:

- i. Maria works in the city and her son is a chicken farmer
- ii. If Maria rides a bicycle, then her son works in the city
- iii. Everyone who works in the city is a chicken farmer
- iv. Everyone who works in the city and does not ride a bicycle is a chicken farmer
- v. Some people who work in the city and ride a bicycle are not chicken farmers

[5 marks]

- (b) Show that the following is a valid argument, indicating the rule being applied at each stage: “All students go to parties. Some students drink too much. Therefore, some people who drink too much go to parties.”



QUESTION FIVE

- (a) By using the contra positive, prove that for any integer n , if n^2 is even, then n is even. [5 marks]
- (b) Using the conditional position, prove that if m and n are integers and 3 is a factor of both m and n , then 3 is a factor of any number of the form $nx + my$ where x and y are integers [5 marks]
- (c) Show that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational [5 marks]

QUESTION SIX

- (a) Translate into English, the statement $\forall_x \forall_y (x > 0) \wedge (y < 0) \rightarrow (xy < 0)$ where the domain for both variables consists of all real numbers. [2 marks]
- (b) Translate the following into symbolic form using two place predicates
- Everybody loves somebody
 - Somebody loves everybody
 - If a person is female and is a parent, then this person is someone's mother. [8 marks]
- (c) Find a logic form for the truth table below and check your results.

| p | q | ?? |
|---|---|----|
| T | T | T |
| T | F | T |
| F | T | T |
| F | F | F |

[5 marks]

