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MCA 4th Semester Examination Fundamentals of Computer Algorithms MCA-401

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 60

The candidates shall limit their answers precisely within the answerbook (40 pages) issued to them and no supplementary/continuation sheet will be issued.

Note: Attempt five questions in all selecting one from each of the Sections A, B, C & D. Section E is compulsory.

SECTION - A

- 1. (a) Explain briefly Big Oh. Theta and Omega notations. (6)
 - (b) Write an algorithm which inputs a simple graph and outputs whether or not the graph is connected. (6)
- 2. (a) Explain heap data structure. Give two applications of heap in computer science. (6)
 - (b) Define an algorithm. Explain desirable characteristics of a good algorithm. (6)

SECTION - B

- 3. (a) Apply merge sort to arrange the series 45, 78, 32, 4, 1, 32, 52, 1 in ascending order. Show result at each step. (6)
 - (b) Explain selection sort with suitable example. What is its worst case time complexity? (6)

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- 4. (a) Insert the following numbers into a binary search tree in the order of their appearance and draw the resulting tree. 78, 35, 6, 8, 12, 3, 86. (6)
 - (b) Define spanning tree. How will you use Kruskal's algorithm to find minimum spanning tree? Illustrate using an example. (6)

SECTION - C

- 5. (a) Differentiate between dynamic programming and divide & conquer using suitable examples. (6)
 - b) Define travelling salesman problem. Apply branch and bound technique to solve travelling salesman problem.

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- 6. (a) Give an algorithm to identify articulation points and to construct biconnected components. Explain with an example. (6)
 - (b) What is difference between a directed and undirected graph? Draw a complete undirected graph on four vertices. Prove that the number of edges in a n vertex complete graph is n(n-l)/2. (6)

SECTION - D

- 7. (a) Explain the basic concepts of P, NP, NP-Complete and NP-Hard. (6)
 - (b) Define Sum of Subset Problem. Suggest a method to solve the Sum of Subset problem with explanation of its time complexity.
- 8. (a) Prove that vertex cover problem is NP-hard. (6)
 - (b) What is backtracking? Explain 8 Queens problem as an example of backtracking. (6)

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SECTION - E

- 9. (a) Define knapsack problem.
 - (b) What do you understand by hashing?
 - (c) Explain average case analysis with an example
 - (d) Define graph coloring.
 - (e) Explain breadth first search.
 - (f) Define a greedy algorithm. (2×6=12)