

## MCA (Revised)

## Term-End Examination

June, 2012

MCS-031 : DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF  
ALGORITHM

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

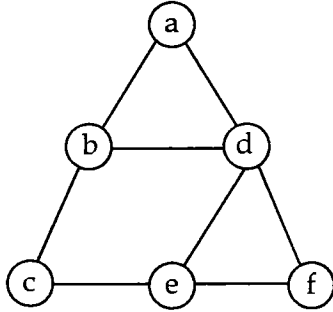
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*Note : Question No. 1 is compulsory. Attempt any three from the remaining questions.*

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1. (a) Write Euclid's algorithm for finding Greatest Common Divisor (G.C.D) of two natural numbers  $m$  and  $n$ . 4
- (b) Let  $\text{fact}(n) = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots * n$  where ' $*$ ' denotes product of two integers and  $n$  is a natural number. Give a recursive definition of  $\text{fact}(n)$ . 4
- (c) Name at least four well-known techniques for solving problems algorithmically. 2
- (d) For the function  $f(x) = 3x^3 + 2x^2 + 1$ , show that  $f(x) = O(x^3)$  where ' $O$ ' denotes 'big oh'. 2
- (e) Explain how binary search method finds or fails to find the number 25 in the sorted list : 8, 12, 26, 35, 48, 57. 4

- (f) Explain how the nodes of the following the graph will be traced using breadth first search, starting at node 'a': 4



- (g) Explain the method of pre-order traversal of a tree, using a suitable example of a tree, with at least eight nodes. 4
- (h) Using Principle of Mathematical Induction, show that sum of first  $n$  natural numbers is  $n(n+1)/2$ . 4
- (i) Explain the essential idea of Dynamic Programming. How does Dynamic Programming differ from Divide and Conquer approach for solving problems? 4
- (j) Using selection sort, sort the following sequence of numbers, in the increasing order : 4
- 15, 12, 18, 24, 13, 27,
- (k) Name four undecidable problems, along with their special significance. 4

2. (a) Write an algorithm that finds the real roots, if any, of a quadratic equation : 5

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0,$$

Where  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are real numbers.

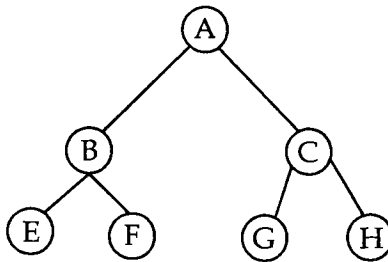
- (b) Explain Chomsky classification for grammars, with an appropriate example. 5
- (c) Write a recursive algorithm to find the sum of first  $n$  natural numbers. 5
- (d) Sort the following list using Merge Sort : 5

7, 9, 10, 8, 4, 6, 5.

3. (a) Find solution of the recurrence equation, given as follows : 5

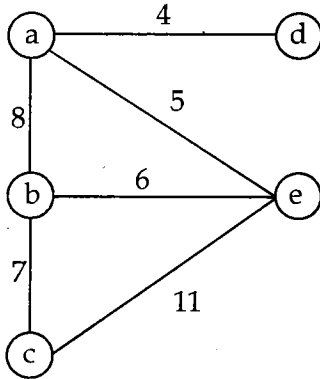
$$F(n) - 4F(n-1) + 4F(n-2) = 0$$

- (b) Trace how Depth First Search Traverses the following tree, when starting at node B : 7



- (c) Explain each of the following, with an appropriate example : 8
- (i) Minimax Problem
- (ii) Topological Sort

4. (a) Find the value of  $(12)^{31}$ , using not more than SIX (6) multiplications and/or divisions. 6
- (b) Using either Prim's algorithm or Kruskal's algorithm, find a minimal spanning tree for the graph given as follows : 8



- (c) Explain the meaning of each of the following expression : 6
- (i)  $(a + b)^*$
  - (ii)  $a^* b a^* b a^*$
  - (iii)  $(a + b)^* a b$

Where '\*' denotes Kleene Closure.

5. (a) Find a grammer for the following language : 8
- $$\{ a^m b^n; m, n \in \mathbb{N}, n > m \}$$
- (b) Explain each of the following problems, together with their respective significance. 12
- (i) Halting Problem
  - (ii) Post Correspondence Problem
  - (iii) Undecidable Problem