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MCA
(SEM IV) THEORY EXAMINATION 2024-25
QUANTUM COMPUTING

TIME: 3 HRS**M.MARKS: 100****Note:** Attempt all Sections. In case of any missing data, choose suitably.**SECTION A****1. Attempt all questions in brief. 2 x 10 = 20**

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Define the term quantum.	1	K1
b.	Explain the postulates of quantum mechanisms.	1	K2
c.	Define the concept of a quantum bit.	1	K1
d.	What are the potential global impacts of quantum computing on cybersecurity? Explain	2	K2
e.	How does a qubit differ from a classical bit regarding information representation? Describe.	4	K3
f.	Discuss the significance of quantum parallelism in quantum computation.	3	K3
g.	What are the limitations of current quantum algorithms? Write a justifiable answer.	2	K5
h.	Briefly discuss the Monte Carlo method in detail.	2	K2
i.	Discuss Shannon entropy. How is it measured?	2	K4
j.	Why is reversibility important in quantum computing? Write a suitable answer.	3	K5

SECTION B**2. Attempt any three of the following: 10 x 3 = 30**

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Describe the role of measurement in a quantum circuit and how it differs from classical measurement.	1	K2
b.	Illustrate a quantum circuit that implements a single qubit rotation followed by a controlled-NOT (CNOT) operation.	2	K3
c.	What is the no-cloning theorem, and how does it influence quantum communication?	3	K2
d.	Compare single orbit operations and control operations in quantum circuits.	2	K4
e.	Evaluate the effectiveness of quantum search algorithms in solving unstructured search problems compared to classical algorithms.	3	K5

SECTION C**3. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10**

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Analyze the advantages and challenges of using nuclear magnetic resonance for quantum computation. Write appropriate answer.	4	K4
b.	Apply the conditions for quantum computation (DiVincenzo criteria) to assess a quantum system's readiness for implementation.	3	K3

4. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Evaluate the scalability and practicality of different quantum hardware platforms, such as ion traps and optical cavities.	CO3	K5
b.	Demonstrate a hybrid quantum architecture that combines ion traps and optical photon systems for improved stability and coherence.	CO4	K6



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5. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Discuss the basic working of a harmonic oscillator quantum computer.	1	K2
b.	Compare trace distance and fidelity as measures of closeness between quantum states. Justify your answer with an appropriate example.	2	K5

6. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10

Q No.	Question	CO	Level										
a.	Design a quantum protocol that uses noise-resilient quantum operations for secure information transfer.	6	K6										
b.	<p>Illustrate Shannon Entropy in the context of information theory. Suppose a source emits 4 symbols: A, B, C, and D with the following probabilities:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="332 798 641 1018"> <thead> <tr> <th>Symbol</th> <th>Probability (P)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>A</td> <td>0.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>0.25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>0.125</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>0.125</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Calculate the Shannon Entropy of this source.</p>	Symbol	Probability (P)	A	0.5	B	0.25	C	0.125	D	0.125	4	K
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7. Attempt any one part of the following: 10 x 1 = 10

Q No.	Question	CO	Level
a.	Write the major steps involved in implementing Markov Processes in quantum computing.	4	K6
b.	Evaluate the advantages of fault-tolerant quantum computation in building scalable quantum systems. Justify.	3	K5