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NOIDA INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY, GREATER NOIDA
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B.Tech

SEM: III - THEORY EXAMINATION (2025 - 2026)

Subject: Introduction to Quantum Computing

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

General Instructions:

IMP: Verify that you have received the question paper with the correct course, code, branch etc.

1. This Question paper comprises of **three Sections -A, B, & C**. It consists of Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ's) & Subjective type questions.

2. Maximum marks for each question are indicated on right -hand side of each question.

3. Illustrate your answers with neat sketches wherever necessary.

4. Assume suitable data if necessary.

5. Preferably, write the answers in sequential order.

6. No sheet should be left blank. Any written material after a blank sheet will not be evaluated/checked.

SECTION-A

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1. Attempt all parts:-

1-a. What is an algorithm? (CO1,K1)

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- (a) A puzzle
- (b) Step-by-step problem solution
- (c) Programming language
- (d) Software

1-b. Complexity of an algorithm is estimated for: (CO1, K1)

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- (a) Time
- (b) Space
- (c) Both Time and Space
- (d) Neither

1-c. Neuromorphic computing is inspired by the structure of the _____. (CO2, K2)

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- (a) Brain
- (b) Neuron
- (c) Heart
- (d) None of the mentioned

1-d. The limitation of classical computing models is primarily due to _____ constraints. (CO2, K3)

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- (a) Physical
- (b) Economic
- (c) Mathematical
- (d) None of the mentioned

- 1-e. Two qubits are said to be entangled if their joint state cannot be written as a _____ product (CO3, K2). 1
- (a) Sum
 - (b) Tensor
 - (c) Scalar
 - (d) Diagonal
- 1-f. The state $\Phi^+ = (|00\rangle + |11\rangle)/\sqrt{2}$ is an example of a _____ state (CO3, K1). 1
- (a) Mixed
 - (b) Product
 - (c) Entangled
 - (d) Local
- 1-g. States $|+\rangle$ and $|-\rangle$ are found on the Bloch sphere at _____. (CO4, K2) 1
- (a) Poles
 - (b) Y axis
 - (c) Equator
 - (d) Origin
- 1-h. The radius of the Bloch sphere is always _____. (CO4, K2) 1
- (a) 0
 - (b) 1
 - (c) π
 - (d) ∞
- 1-i. Quantum simulation is key in advancing _____. (CO5, K2) 1
- (a) Hardware
 - (b) Chemistry
 - (c) Finance
 - (d) Material science
- 1-j. Quantum key distribution ensures _____. (CO5, K2) 1
- (a) Secure communication
 - (b) Superposition
 - (c) Interference
 - (d) Speedup
2. Attempt all parts:-
- 2.a. Write the difference between primary and secondary memory. (CO1, K3) 2
- 2.b. What is transistor scaling? (CO2, K2) 2
- 2.c. How are measurement probabilities calculated for a qubit? (CO3, K3) 2
- 2.d. Write a Qiskit code snippet to implement a CNOT gate on two qubits. (CO4, K3) 2
- 2.e. Give one example of a practical problem where quantum advantage is sought. (CO5, K2) 2

SECTION-B

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3. Attempt all parts:-

3.a. Answer any one of the following:-

3.a.(i) Discuss the structure and function of the ALU. (CO1, K2) 6

3.a.(ii) Write a note on system buses and their types. (CO1, K2) 6

3.b. Answer any one of the following:-

3.b.(i) What motivates researchers to look for new computational models? (CO2, K3) 6

3.b.(ii) Explain why P vs NP is considered an important open problem. (CO2, K3) 6

3.c. Answer any one of the following:-

3.c.(i) Consider a qubit in the state $|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + |1\rangle)$. Calculate the probabilities of measuring 0 and 1. (CO3, K4) 6

3.c.(ii) Explain the significance of normalization in quantum state representation. (CO3, K3) 6

3.d. Answer any one of the following:-

3.d.(i) Compare classical and quantum gates with examples and matrix representations. (CO4, K4) 6

3.d.(ii) Explain why understanding quantum gates is essential for quantum programming and algorithm design. (CO4, K3) 6

3.e. Answer any one of the following:-

3.e.(i) Why is achieving quantum advantage considered more meaningful for industry applications than quantum supremacy? (CO5, K4) 6

3.e.(ii) Explain the problem of decoherence in quantum computing. (CO5, K3) 6

SECTION-C

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4. Answer any one of the following:-

4-a. Describe the algorithm to perform binary search and analyze its time complexity. (CO1, K4) 10

4-b. Discuss the differences between deterministic and non-deterministic machines in the context of P and NP problems. (CO1, K4) 10

5. Answer any one of the following:-

5-a. Describe the motivation for developing new computational models beyond the classical Turing model. (CO2, K3) 10

5-b. Illustrate the limitations of Moore's Law with respect to transistor scaling and fabrication technology. (CO2, K3) 10

6. Answer any one of the following:-

6-a. Discuss the role of entanglement in quantum teleportation. (CO3, K4) 10

6-b. Explain the importance of tensor products in multi-qubit representation. (CO3, K4) 10

7. Answer any one of the following:-7-a. Design a two-qubit circuit using H and CNOT gates that prepares the four Bell states from the initial state $|00\rangle$. Explain the role of each gate step-by-step and show the resulting states mathematically. (CO4, K4) 10

7-b. What is the Bloch sphere representation of a single qubit? Explain how an 10

arbitrary pure qubit state can be mapped to a point on the Bloch sphere and discuss how the X, Y, and Z gates correspond to rotations on this sphere. (CO4, K4)

8. Answer any one of the following:-

- 8-a. What are the main physical platforms used for quantum hardware, and what challenges do they face? (CO5, K4) 10
- 8-b. Evaluate the importance of scalability in the development of quantum hardware. (CO5, K4) 10

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