

B.M.S. College of Engineering, Bengaluru-560019

Autonomous Institute Affiliated to VTU

February / March 2023 Semester End Main Examinations

Programme: B.E.

Branch: Computer Science and Engineering

Course Code: 21CS7PEBLC

Course: Block Chain

Semester: VII

Duration: 3 hrs.

Max Marks: 100

Date: 28.02.2023

Instructions: 1. Answer any FIVE full questions, choosing one full question from each unit.
2. Missing data, if any, may be suitably assumed.

UNIT - I

- 1 a) Discuss Byzantine fault tolerance. How is it relevant to blockchain? **08**
- b) Explain the three properties of cryptographic hash functions. **06**
- c) Explain how ASIC resistance effect digital currencies. **06**

UNIT - II

- 2 a) Illustrate Merkle tree visualization with a neat diagram and explain it's relevance to blockchain. **10**
- b) Bring out the differences between hard fork versus soft fork and illustrate the same with an example. **10**

OR

- 3 a) Compare and list the differences as well as the similarities between private and public blockchain. **06**
- b) Illustrate with an example the complete lifecycle of a transaction in a blockchain application. **08**
- c) Discuss the advantages of blockchain over the conventional distributed systems. **06**

UNIT - III

- 4 a) Illustrate the execution environment of Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM) with a neat diagram. **10**
- b) Design a smart contract for the following scenario: **10**
A bidding application where everyone can send their bids during a bidding period. The bids include sending money / ether in order to bind the bidders to their bid. If the highest bid is raised, the previously highest bidder gets his/her money back.

OR

Important Note: Completing your answers, compulsorily draw diagonal cross lines on the remaining blank pages. Revealing of identification, appeal to evaluator will be treated as malpractice.

- 5 a) Design a smart contract illustrating different methods to send ether from one account to another in solidity. **10**
- b) Explain any one vulnerability and demonstrate with an example one attack on the vulnerability. **10**

UNIT - IV

- 6 a) Illustrate with a neat diagram the process of consensus mechanism using GHOST. **08**
- b) Discuss the applications of blockchain in the field of medical record management system. **06**
- c) Illustrate the most common ways of attacking user wallets. **06**

UNIT - V

- 7 a) Explain Nakamoto consensus where the leader is elected and proposes a final value. **08**
- b) Differentiate between Proof of Work and Proof of Stake. **06**
- c) Illustrate Sybil attack on any two blockchain networks. **06**
