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*Second Semester 2019*

**COMP1600/COMP6260  
(Foundations of Computation)**

*Writing Period: 3 hours duration*

*Study Period: 15 minutes duration*

*Permitted Materials: One A4 page with hand-written notes on both sides*

*Answer ALL questions*

*Total marks: 100*

*The questions are followed by labelled blank spaces into which your answers are to be written. Additional answer panels are provided (at the end of the paper) should you wish to use more space for an answer than the space provided. If you require more space on an answer panel, be sure to indicate this by drawing a vertical line down the right-hand side of the panel.*

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**QUESTION 1 [14 marks]****Propositional Logic**

Consider the following formulae:

- $\neg(p \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow (\neg p \vee q)$
- $(p \rightarrow (q \rightarrow p)) \wedge ((q \rightarrow p) \rightarrow p)$
- $(\neg p \vee q) \wedge \neg(p \rightarrow q)$

- (a) Identify a formula in the given set of formulae above that is a *contingency*. Describe in one sentence what it means that a formula is a contingency. Hence, or otherwise, establish that the formula you have identified is a contingency.

QUESTION 1(a)

[4 marks]

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- (b) Identify a formula in the given set of formulae above that is a *tautology*. Give a proof of this formula in the calculus of natural deduction (using only the rules provided in Appendix 1, and justifying every inference step). Explain in one sentence why a natural deduction proof of a formula establishes that it is a tautology.

QUESTION 1(b)

[5 marks]

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- (c) Identify a form of *the negation* provided in Appendix 1, and explain what it means that it is a *contradiction*. Give a proof of this formula in the calculus of natural deduction (using only the rules provided in Appendix 1, and justifying every inference step).

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QUESTION 1(c)

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**QUESTION 2 [13 marks]****First Order Logic**

A relation  $R \subset X \times X$  is called *Euclidean* if it satisfies the formula

$$\forall x \forall y \forall z (R(x, y) \wedge R(x, z) \rightarrow R(y, z))$$

and recall that a relation is called *symmetric* if it satisfies

$$\forall x \forall y (R(x, y) \rightarrow R(y, x)),$$

*reflexive* if the formula

$$\forall x (R(x, x))$$

is valid for the relation, and *connected* if

$$\forall x \forall y (R(x, y) \vee R(y, x))$$

is true for  $R$ .

- (a) Consider the set  $X = \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  of natural numbers. Is the relation  $R$ , defined by  $R(x, y)$  if and only if  $x \leq y$ , a Euclidean relation? Justify your answer.

QUESTION 2(a) [3 marks]

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- (b)** It is known that every symmetric relation is reflexive. Give a proof of this fact, that is, a proof of the rule

$$\frac{\forall x \forall y (R(x, y) \vee R(y, x))}{\forall x R(x, x)}$$

in natural deduction (using only the rules provided in Appendix 1, and justifying every inference step).

QUESTION 2(b)

[4 marks]

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- (c) It is also known that every relation that is both Euclidean and reflexive is in fact symmetric. Give a proof of this fact, that is, a proof of the rule

$$\frac{(\forall x \forall y \forall z (R(x,y) \wedge R(x,z) \rightarrow R(y,z))) \wedge (\forall x (R(x,x)))}{\forall x \forall y (R(x,y) \rightarrow R(y,x))}$$

in natural deduction (using only the rules provided in Appendix 1, and justifying every inference step).

QUESTION 2(c)

[6 marks]

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### QUESTION 3 [18 marks]

### Structural Induction

- (a) Consider the following data type of integer-labelled binary trees

```
data Tree = Nul | Node Tree Int Tree
```

and the functions

```
add :: Tree -> Int
add Nul = 0                                     -- A0
add (Node l i r) = i + (add l) + (add r)       -- A1

swap :: Tree -> Tree
swap Nul = Nul                                 -- S0
swap (Node l i r) = Node ((swap r) i (swap l)) -- S1.
```

The aim of this question is to show that swapping subtrees does not affect the sum of the values in the tree, i.e. to prove the formula

$\forall t (add\ t = add\ (swap\ t))$   
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where  $t$  is of type  $\text{Tree}$ , by structural induction.

- (i) State and pro-

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- (ii) State the inductive hypotheses.

QUESTION 3(a)(ii) [1 mark]

- (iii) State the step case goal, including all quantifiers, and prove the step case goal.

QUESTION 3(a)(iii)

[4 marks]

- (b) The evaluation of polynomials can be defined in Haskell using the function `ev` below

```
ev :: [Int] -> Int -> Int
ev [] x = pev x 0
```

```
pev :: [Int] -> Int
pev [] x n = 0
pev (a:as) x n = a + x * pev as x (n-1)
```

where  $x^n$  is exponentiation in Haskell, i.e.  $x$

Here polynomials are given as a list of coefficients, that is,  $g(x) = [a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n]$  the function `ev 1 x` returns  $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i \cdot x^i$ .

A different (and more efficient) way to evaluate polynomials is given by the so-called *Horner Scheme* that can be defined as follows:

```
hor :: [Int] -> Int -> Int
hor [] x = 0
hor (a:as) x = a + x * (hor as x)
```

The goal of this question is to prove that the Horner scheme indeed delivers the same value as the above sum. The first goal is to show that

$$\forall l \forall x \forall n (pev l x n = x^n * (hor l x)) \quad (\dagger)$$

by structural induction.

- (i) State and prove the base case goal, including all quantifiers, required to prove ( $\dagger$ ) by structural induction.

QUESTION 3(b)(i)

[2 marks]

- (ii) State the inductive hypothesis, including all quantifiers.

QUESTION 3(b)(ii)

[1 mark]

- (iii) State the step case goal, including all quantifiers, and prove the step case goal.

QUESTION 3(b)(iii)

[6 marks]

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- (iv) Hence, or otherwise, prove that  $\text{ev } l \ x = \text{hor } l \ x$  for all lists  $l$  of integers, and for all integers  $x$ .

QUESTION 3(b)(iv)

[2 marks]

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## **QUESTION 4 [15 marks]**

## Hoare Logic

- (a) Consider the following program called *log*, where all variables are natural numbers:

```
while 3*x < a do  
    d := d + 1;  
    x := x * 3
```

Starting with initial values  $d = 0$  and  $x = 1$ , *log* calculates the integer logarithm of  $a$  to base 3, that is, the largest natural number  $d$  such that  $3^d \leq a$ .

We wish to use Hoare Logic (Appendix 3) to show that:

$$\{d = 0 \wedge x = 1 \wedge a > 0\} \log \{3^d \leq a\}$$

- (i) Complete the table below by filling in the values of  $d$  and  $x$  after the first, second, etc. iteration of the loop, assuming that the loop executes at least four times. The initial values for  $d$  and  $x$  are given by the precondition of  $\log$ .

QUESTION 4(a)(i)		[1 mark]
loop iteration	$d$	$x$
0	0	1
1		
2		

- (ii) Using the table above derive an invariant that holds both before the loop is being entered, and body. The invariant needs to have the following t

- it needs to be *strong* enough to imply the postcondition if the loop condition is false;

$$P \wedge \neg(3 * x < a) \rightarrow 3^d \leq a$$

- it needs to be *weak* enough so that it is implied by the precondition:

$$d \equiv 0 \wedge x \equiv 1 \wedge q \geq 0 \Rightarrow P$$

- it must be an invariant, i.e.

$\{P \wedge (3 * x < a)\} d := d+1; x := x*3 \{P\}$

must be provable.

State the invariant, no formal proof is required yet.

**QUESTION 4(a)(ii) [2 marks]**

(iii) Prove that

$$\{d = 0 \wedge x = 1 \wedge a > 0\} \log \{3^d \leq a\}.$$

Be sure to properly justify each step of your proof.

QUESTION 4(a)(iii)

[3 marks]

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**(b)** Consider the following (annotated) program called *NpowerM*

$[m \geq 0 \wedge n > 0 \wedge r = 1 \wedge i = 0]$

**while**  $i < m$  **do**

$r := r * n;$

$i := i + 1$

$[r = n^m]$

The function computes the  $n$ th power of  $m$  and leaves the result in  $r$ .

- (i) Complete the table below by filling in the values of  $r$  and  $i$  *after* the first, second, etc. iteration of the loop, assuming that the loop executes at least four times. The initial values of  $r$  and  $i$  are given by the precondition of *NpowerM*.

QUESTION 4(b)(i)		[1 mark]
loop iteration	$r$	$i$
0	1	0
1		
2		
3		
4		

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- (ii) Identify an invariant for the following three properties:

- it needs to be *strong* enough to imply the postcondition is true when the loop terminates ( $i = m$ )

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- it needs to be *weak* enough so that it is implied by the precondition:

$$m \geq 0 \wedge n > 0 \wedge r = 1 \wedge i = 0 \rightarrow P$$

- it must be an invariant, i.e.

$$\{P \wedge (i < m)\} \text{ r } := \text{r } * \text{n}; \text{ i } := \text{i } + 1 \{P\}$$

must be provable.

State the invariant, no formal proof is required yet.

QUESTION 4(b)(ii)		[2 marks]



QUESTION 4(b)(iv), continued

[5 marks]

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**QUESTION 5 [14 marks]****Finite State Automata**

- (a) (i) Design a Finite State Automaton (DFA, NFA, or  $\epsilon$ -NFA) that recognises the language denoted by the following regular expression:

$$(aa)^*(bb)^*b$$

QUESTION 5(a)(i)

**[3 marks]**

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- (ii) Add WeChat **edu\_assist\_pro**

Describe in English the language that your Finite Sta

QUESTION 5(a)(ii)

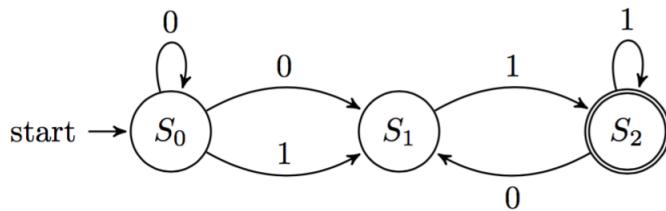
**[1 mark]**

- (b) Is your Finite State Automaton (above) deterministic? Explain.

QUESTION 5(b)

**[1 mark]**

- (c) Use the ‘subset construction’ algorithm given in lectures to produce a deterministic finite automaton that recognises the same language as the NFA below.



QUESTION 5(c)

[2 marks]

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- (d) Consider the DFA below. Answer the following questions using the transition table.

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- Are any of the states of this DFA equivalent to each other? Answer this question using the algorithm given in lectures, and show your working. Explain how you know that the algorithm has terminated, so that you have discovered all possible groups of equivalent states.
- If you discovered any groups of states that are equivalent, use this and the procedure outlined in lectures to give a DFA that recognises the same language but is minimal.

QUESTION 5(d)(ii)

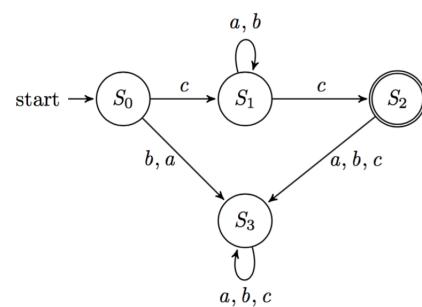
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- (e) Consider the following DFA A:



A recognises precisely the following language

$$L = \{cwc \mid w \in \{a, b\}^*\}.$$

Prove that

$$\forall \alpha \in \{a, b\}^*, N^*(S_0, c\alpha c) \in F.$$

QUESTION 5(e)

[4 marks]

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**QUESTION 6 [14 marks]****Grammars**

- (a) The following right linear grammar describes the language denoted by the following regular expression  $((01 \mid 10)^*11)^*$ :

$$S \rightarrow 0U \mid 1T \mid \epsilon$$

$$T \rightarrow 1S \mid 0V$$

$$U \rightarrow 1V$$

$$V \rightarrow 0W \mid 1T$$

$$W \rightarrow 1V$$

Use the algorithm presented in lectures to convert this right linear grammar to a NFA. Note that the final state  $S_f$  in the algorithm does not play any role in this case, and can be omitted.

**QUESTION 6(a)****[3 marks]**

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- (b)** (i) Design a deterministic push-down automaton that recognises precisely the following language

$$L = \{0^n 1^m \# \mid n \geq 1, m > n + 2\}.$$

Give either a state transition diagram, or the state transition function  $\delta$ .

QUESTION 6(b)(i)

[3 marks]

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- (ii) Give a trace to s and another string t such that  $s \neq t$  and  $L(s) = L(t)$ .  
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- (c) Consider the following Context Free grammar

$$S \rightarrow S \otimes S \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow p \mid q$$

over the alphabet  $\Sigma = \{\otimes, p, q\}$ . Demonstrate that this grammar is ambiguous.

QUESTION 6(c)

[2 marks]

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- (d) Give a context-free grammar that generates precisely the same language as in QUESTION 6(c) (above), but is not ambiguous, and gives a proof that your grammar generates the string  $p \otimes q \otimes p$ .

QUESTION 6(d)

[3 marks]

- (e) Following the algorithm presented in lectures, convert the following context-free grammar to a non-deterministic PDA

$$S \rightarrow S \otimes S \mid T$$

$$T \rightarrow p \mid q$$

QUESTION 6(e)

[2 marks]

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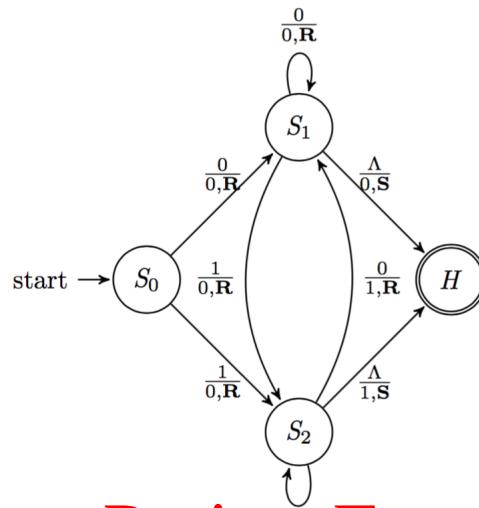
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## QUESTION 7 [12 marks]

## Turing Machines

- (a) The following diagram shows a Turing machine. The input string is a string of 0's and 1's and the tape is blank to the left and to the right of the input string. Initially the head is at the leftmost character of the input string.



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- (i) For each of the following input strings, describe the content of the tape after the machine has terminated in terms of the input string  $s$ .  
[3 marks]

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- (ii) Given an arbitrary input string  $s$ , describe the content of the tape after the machine has terminated in terms of the input string  $s$ .

QUESTION 7(a)(ii)

[3 marks]

- (b)** Design a Turing Machine that takes a string of the form  $s\#$  where  $s \in \{a, b\}^*$  and converts it to uppercase and mirrors it after the hash symbol  $\#$ . For example, abbaa $\#$  should be replaced by ABBAA#AABBA on the tape. Assume that the tape is empty apart from the input and that the tape head is at the hash symbol initially. Include a brief description of the purpose of the individual states.

QUESTION 7(b)

[6 marks]

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## Appendix 1 — Natural Deduction Rules

### Propositional Calculus

$$(\wedge I) \quad \frac{p \quad q}{p \wedge q} \qquad (\wedge E) \quad \frac{p \wedge q}{p} \quad \frac{p \wedge q}{q}$$

$$(\vee I) \quad \frac{p}{p \vee q} \quad \frac{p}{q \vee p} \qquad (\vee E) \quad \frac{p \vee q \quad r \quad r}{r}$$

$$(\rightarrow I) \quad \frac{q}{\frac{p \rightarrow q}{[p]}} \qquad (\rightarrow E) \quad \frac{p \quad p \rightarrow q}{[p]}$$

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$$(\neg I) \quad \frac{}{\neg p} \qquad (\text{PC}) \quad \frac{}{}$$

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$$(\neg E) \quad \frac{p \quad \neg p}{F} \qquad (\text{T}) \quad \frac{}{T}$$

### Predicate Calculus

$$(\forall I) \quad \frac{P(a) \quad (a \text{ arbitrary})}{\forall x. P(x)} \qquad (\forall E) \quad \frac{\forall x. P(x)}{P(a)}$$

$$(\exists I) \quad \frac{P(a)}{\exists x. P(x)} \qquad (\exists E) \quad \frac{\exists x. P(x) \quad q \quad (a \text{ arbitrary})}{q \quad (a \text{ is not free in } q)}$$

## Appendix 2 — Truth Table Values

$p$	$q$	$p \vee q$	$p \wedge q$	$p \rightarrow q$	$\neg p$	$p \Leftrightarrow q$
T	T	T	T	T	F	T
T	F	T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	F	T	T	F
F	F	F	F	T	T	T

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## Appendix 3 — Hoare Logic Rules

- Precondition Strengthening:

$$\frac{P_s \rightarrow P_w \quad \{P_w\} S \{Q\}}{\{P_s\} S \{Q\}}$$

- Postcondition Weakening:

$$\frac{\{P\} S \{Q_s\} \quad Q_s \rightarrow Q_w}{\{P\} S \{Q_w\}}$$

- Assignment:

$$\{Q(e)\} x := e \{Q(x)\}$$

- Sequence:

$$\frac{\{P\} S_1 \{Q\} \quad \{Q\} S_2 \{R\}}{\{P\} S_1; S_2 \{R\}}$$

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$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\}}{\{ \text{https://eduassistpro.github.io/} \}}$$

- While Loop:

$$\frac{\{P \wedge b\} \vdash \{P\}}{\{P\} \text{while } b \text{ do } S \{P \wedge \neg b\}}$$

- While Loop (Total Correctness):

$$\frac{P \wedge b \rightarrow E \geq 0 \quad [P \wedge b \wedge E = n] S [P \wedge E < n]}{[P] \text{while } b \text{ do } S [P \wedge \neg b]}$$

where  $n$  is an auxiliary variable not appearing anywhere else.