## Problem Sheet: BNF

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- 1. Develop a grammar for the language of strings consisting of an open bracket [ followed by a list of zero or more digits separated by commas, followed by a closing bracket ].
- 2. Construct a BNF grammar for the language of parentheses, where the sentences consists of strings of balanced pairs of left and right parens. Examples:

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Note: the empty string  $\varepsilon$  should be a sentence in the language.

3. Develop a grammar for simple type declarations in C-like language:

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int x;
bool x, y, z;
static string x;
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4. (a) Develop a grammar that describes football scores in an international tournament, for example:

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GER-FRA 0:1 (0:0)
ITA-ENG 3:2 (1:1, 1:1) AE
SPA-RUS 2:4 (1:1, 2:2) AP
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AE and AP are abbreviations for "after extra time" and "after penalties", respectively. The score(s) in parantheses represent the half-time (and regular time) score.

- (b) Extend the above grammar to represent lists of scores. Individual scores are separated by , and the list is terminated by a ; .
- 5. Extend the grammar of arithmetical expressions to handle exponentiation  $^$ , which has higher priority than + and \* and associates to the right  $(x^y^z = x^(y^z))$ .

6. Consider the following grammar for if statements in a simple programming language:

where <exp> and <other-statement> are defined elsewhere in the grammar and represent boolean-valued expressions and other statements (initialization, loops, ...) respectively.

- (a) Show that the grammar of if statements is ambiguous.
- (b) Construct an unambiguous grammar (that still allows if without an else).