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You are advised (but not required) to spend the first ten minutes of the examination reading the questions and planning how you will answer those you have selected.

Answer ALL questions in Section A and TWO questions from Section B.

Section A is worth a total of 50 marks.

Each question in section B is worth 25 marks.

In section B, only the TWO questions with the HIGHEST MARKS will count towards the FINAL MARK for the EXAM.

The B-Method's Abstract Machine Notation (AMN) is given in Appendix B.

Section A

Answer ALL questions from this section.

You may also wish to consult the B-Method notation given in Appendix B.

Question 1

You are given the following collection of B sets and function declarations for the a number of chemical elements:

$$\text{Element} = \{ \text{Hydrogen}, \text{Lithium}, \text{Sodium}, \\ \text{Helium}, \text{Neon}, \text{Argon}, \text{Xeon}, \text{Radon} \}$$

$$\text{Noble_gases} \in \mathbb{P}(\text{Element})$$

$$\text{Noble_gases} = \{ \text{Helium}, \text{Neon}, \text{Argon}, \text{Xeon}, \text{Radon} \}$$

$$\text{Group1} \in \mathbb{P}(\text{Element})$$

$$\text{Group1} = \{ \text{Hydrogen}, \text{Lithium}, \text{Sodium} \}$$

$$\text{atomic_number} \in \text{Element} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{atomic_number} = \{ \text{Hydrogen} \mapsto 1, \text{Helium} \mapsto 2, \text{Lithium} \mapsto 3, \text{Neon} \mapsto 10, \\ \text{Sodium} \mapsto 11, \text{Argon} \mapsto 18, \text{Xeon} \mapsto 54, \text{Radon} \mapsto 86 \}$$

Evaluate the following expressions:

- | | |
|---|-------------------|
| (a) $\text{Noble_gases} \cap \{ \text{Argon}, \text{Lithium}, \text{Sodium}, \text{Xeon} \}$ | [1 mark] |
| (b) $\text{Noble_gases} - \{ \text{Hydrogen}, \text{Neon}, \text{Xeon} \}$ | [1 mark] |
| (c) $\text{card}(\text{atomic_number})$ | [1 mark] |
| (d) $\text{atomic_number}(\text{Sodium}) - \text{atomic_number}(\text{Neon})$ | [1 mark] |
| (e) $\text{ran}(\text{atomic_number})$ | [1 mark] |
| (f) $(\text{Group1} \cup \{ \text{Xeon} \}) \cap \text{dom}(\text{atomic_number})$ | [2 marks] |
| (g) $\{ \text{Lithium}, \text{Sodium}, \text{Helium} \} \triangleleft \text{atomic_number}$ | [2 marks] |
| (h) $\text{atomic_number} \triangleright 1..10$ | [3 marks] |
| (i) $\mathbb{P}(\text{Group1})$ | [3 marks] |
| | [TOTAL 15] |

Question 2

The following B sets are taken from a B specification for managing a car registration system, they are used to represent information about people's cars:

SETS

```
CAR ;           // Cars
PEOPLE ;        // People
REGISTRATION ;  // Car registration numbers
CAR_COMPANY     // Car manufacturing companies
```

Define the following mappings as either a relation or a particular type of function.

- (a) *allowedDriver* – a mapping from a car to the people who drive the car. **[2 marks]**
 - (b) *myMakeOfCar* – a mapping from a person to the make (car company) of the car they own. You can assume that people own at most one car. **[3 marks]**
 - (c) *regNumber* – a mapping from a car to its registration number. **[5 marks]**
 - (d) *maker* – a mapping from a car to the car company that made it. **[5 marks]**
- [TOTAL 15]**

Question 3

The following is an example of the general structure of an abstract machine's *operation*:

```
yy <-- operation( xx ) =
    PRE  PC
    THEN
        Subst
    END
```

Explain the overall purpose of an operation and the role that each part plays in specifying the operation.

[10 marks]
[TOTAL 10]

Question 4

- (a) Explain in your own words the meaning of the Hoare triple

$$[x > y] \ y := 5 \ [x > 5]$$

[2 marks]

- (b) Which of the following Hoare triples are valid? Give a counter example for each invalid triple.

(i) $[x < 5] \ x := y \ [y < 5]$

[2 marks]

(ii) $[x < 5] \ y := 5 \ [x < y]$

[2 marks]

(iii) $[x < x] \ x := x - 1 \ [x < x - 1]$

[2 marks]

(iv) $[x = 3] \ y := 4 \ [x < y]$

[2 marks]

[TOTAL 10]

Section B

Answer TWO questions from this section.

You may wish to consult the B-Method notation given in Appendix B.

Question 5

Write a B-Method machine that specifies a single train's rail route for the European train company *See More Europe By Train*.

The *See More Europe By Train* train company serves the following cities: *Amsterdam, Brussels, Berlin, Dublin, Geneva, London, Madrid, Paris* and *Rome*.

The train's *rail route* is a sequence of capital cities, starting from the departure city's station to the destination city's station. The rail route has a maximum length, i.e. maximum number of cities. It is a *one-way* rail journey, so no city should occur on the route more than once.

Your B machine should deal with error handling where required and should include the following:

(a) Any sets, constants, variables, state invariant and initialisation that the train's *rail route* requires.

[9 marks]

(b) The following operations on the train's *rail route*:

(i) *AppendStationToRoute* – adds a city's station to the end of the *rail route*. A message should be output indicating that this was done successfully or if not indicating what the error was.

[7 marks]

(ii) *RemoveDepartureStationFromRoute* – removes the first (departure) city's station from the train's *rail route*. A message should be output indicating that this was done successfully or if not indicating what the error was.

[5 marks]

(iii) *TrainRouteStatus* – reports via a suitable message whether the train's *rail route* is *empty*, *full*, only has the departure city or can be extended, i.e. not full.

[4 marks]

[TOTAL 25]

Question 6

Appendix A contains the HotelBooking B machine, this specifies a simple hotel room booking system.

The hotel's room booking system holds the following information about its rooms and guests:

- The size of each room, i.e. maximum number of occupants, (*roomsize*).
- The status of each room, i.e. whether its occupied by guests or vacant, (*status*).
- The guests currently in each occupied room, (*guests*).
- The person who reserved a particular room, (*reservation*).

The system provides the following operations:

- *bookroom* – a person to book one of the hotel's rooms.
- *guestsCheckin* – one or more guests to check into one of the booked rooms.
- *guestsCheckout* – the guests staying in one of the booked rooms.

With reference to the HotelBooking B machine answer the following questions.

(a) With reference to the PROPERTIES and INVARIANT clauses answer the following questions using “plain English” only.

(i) $\text{roomsize} : \text{ROOM} \dashrightarrow \text{NAT1}$

Explain why it makes sense to use a *total function* ($\dashrightarrow, \rightarrow$) in the definition of *roomsize*, rather than a *relation*. In addition, explain why it would not make sense to use a *surjective function*.

[4 marks]

(ii) $\text{guests} : \text{ROOM} \leftrightarrow \text{GUEST}$

Explain why it makes sense to use a *relation* ($\leftrightarrow, \leftrightarrow$) to represent the guests staying in the rooms.

[2 marks]

(iii) $\text{reservation} : \text{GUEST} \multimap \text{ROOM}$

Explain what this invariant means in relation to people reserving rooms.

[3 marks]

(iv) $!(\text{rm}).(\text{rm} : \text{dom}(\text{guests}) \Rightarrow (\text{card}(\text{guests}[\{\text{rm}\}]) \leq \text{roomsize}(\text{rm})))$

Explain what this invariant means.

[3 marks]

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- (b) Explain in “plain English” the meaning of the *preconditions* for the operations:
- (i) bookroom [2 marks]
 - (ii) guestsCheckin [4 marks]
 - (iii) guestsCheckout [1 mark]
- (c) Draw the *Structure Diagram* for the HotelBooking machine. [6 marks]
- [TOTAL 25]

Question 7

- (a) Find assertions 1, 2 and 3 using pre-condition propagation.

```
[assertion 1]
  x:=x+y;
[assertion 2]
  y:=x-y;
[assertion 3]
  x:=x-y
[x<5]
```

[9 marks]

- (b) Find suitable assertions 1, ..., 5 to show that the following Hoare triple is valid.

```
[x+y>=5]
[assertion 1]
IF x<y THEN
[assertion 2]
  x:=y
[assertion 3]
ELSE
[assertion 4]
  y:=x
[assertion 5]
END
[x>=3 & y>=3]
```

[16 marks]
[TOTAL 25]

Appendix A. Hotel Booking B Machine

The following B Machine – HotelBooking, specifies a simple Hotel room booking system.

```

1    MACHINE HotelBooking
2
3    SETS
4        ROOM    = { rm1, rm2, rm3, rm4, rm5 } ;
5        GUEST   = { Ian, Sue, Tom, Jim, Bill, Eddy, Rob } ;
6        STATUS  = { Occupied, Vacant }
7
8    CONSTANTS
9        roomsize
10
11   PROPERTIES
12       roomsize : ROOM --> NAT1  &
13       roomsize = {  rm1 |-> 1, rm2 |-> 1, rm3 |-> 2,
14                   rm4 |-> 2, rm5 |-> 3  }
15
16   VARIABLES
17       status,
18       guests,
19       reservation
20
21   INVARIANT
22       status      : ROOM --> STATUS  &
23       guests      : ROOM <-> GUEST   &
24       reservation : GUEST >+> ROOM
25       &
26       !(rm).( rm : dom(guests) =>
27           ( card( guests[ { rm } ] )  <=  roomsize(rm) ) )
28
29   INITIALISATION
30       status      := ROOM * { Vacant } ||
31       guests      := {}                ||
32       reservation := {}
33

```

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```
33  OPERATIONS
34
35  bookroom( person, rm ) =
36  PRE
37      ( person : GUEST ) & ( rm : ROOM ) &
38      ( person /: dom(reservation) )      &
39      ( rm /: ran(reservation) )
40  THEN
41      reservation := reservation <+ { person |-> rm }
42  END ;
43
44
45  guestsCheckin( rm, people ) =
46  PRE
47      ( rm : ROOM ) & ( people <: GUEST ) &
48      ( rm : ran(reservation) )          &
49      ( status(rm) = Vacant )             &
50      ( people /= {} )                   &
51      ( card(people) <= roomsize(rm) )
52  THEN
53      guests := guests <+ ( { rm } * people ) ||
54      status := status <+ { rm |-> Occupied }
55  END ;
56
57
58  guestsCheckout( rm ) =
59  PRE
60      ( rm : ROOM ) & ( status(rm) = Occupied )
61  THEN
62      status      := status <+ { rm |-> Vacant } ||
63      guests      := { rm } <<| guests          ||
64      reservation := reservation |>> { rm }
65  END
66
67  END /* HotelBooking */
```

Appendix B. B-Method's Abstract Machine Notation (AMN)

The following tables present AMN in two versions: the “pretty printed” symbol version & the ASCII machine readable version used by the B tools: *Atelier B* and *ProB*.

B.1 AMN: Number Types & Operators

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
\mathbb{N}	NAT	Set of natural numbers from 0
\mathbb{N}_1	NAT1	Set of natural numbers from 1
\mathbb{Z}	INTEGER	Set of integers
$\text{pred}(x)$	pred(x)	predecessor of x
$\text{succ}(x)$	succ(x)	successor of x
$x + y$	x + y	x plus y
$x - y$	x - y	x minus y
$x * y$	x * y	x multiply y
$x \div y$	x div y	x divided by y
$x \bmod y$	x mod y	remainder after x divided by y
x^y	x ** y	x to the power y , x^y
$\min(A)$	min(A)	minimum number in set A
$\max(A)$	max(A)	maximum number in set A
$x .. y$	x .. y	range of numbers from x to y inclusive

B.2 AMN: Number Relations

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$x = y$	x = y	x equal to y
$x \neq y$	x /= y	x not equal to y
$x < y$	x < y	x less than y
$x \leq y$	x <= y	x less than or equal to y
$x > y$	x > y	x greater than y
$x \geq y$	x >= y	x greater than or equal to y

B.3 AMN: Set Definitions

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$x \in A$	<code>x : A</code>	x is an element of set A
$x \notin A$	<code>x /: A</code>	x is not an element of set A
$\emptyset, \{ \}$	<code>{ }</code>	Empty set
$\{ 1 \}$	<code>{ 1 }</code>	Singleton set (1 element)
$\{ 1, 2, 3 \}$	<code>{ 1, 2, 3 }</code>	Set of elements: 1, 2, 3
$x .. y$	<code>x .. y</code>	Range of integers from x to y inclusive
$\mathbb{P}(A)$	<code>POW(A)</code>	Power set of A
$\text{card}(A)$	<code>card(A)</code>	Cardinality, number of elements in set A

B.4 AMN: Set Operators & Relations

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$A \cup B$	<code>A \ / B</code>	Union of A and B
$A \cap B$	<code>A /\ B</code>	Intersection of A and B
$A - B$	<code>A - B</code>	Set subtraction of A and B
$\bigcup AA$	<code>union(AA)</code>	Generalised union of set of sets AA
$\bigcap AA$	<code>inter(AA)</code>	Generalised intersection of set of sets AA
$A \subseteq B$	<code>A <: B</code>	A is a subset of or equal to B
$A \not\subseteq B$	<code>A /<: B</code>	A is not a subset of or equal to B
$A \subset B$	<code>A <<: B</code>	A is a strict subset of B
$A \not\subset B$	<code>A /<<: B</code>	A is not a strict subset of B
$\{ x \mid x \in TS \wedge C \}$	<code>{ x x : TS & C }</code>	Set comprehension

B.5 AMN: Logic

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$\neg P$	not P	Logical negation (not) of P
$P \wedge Q$	P & Q	Logical and of P, Q
$P \vee Q$	P or Q	Logical or of P, Q
$P \Rightarrow Q$	P => Q	Logical implication of P, Q
$P \Leftrightarrow Q$	P <=> Q	Logical equivalence of P, Q
$\forall xx \cdot (P \Rightarrow Q)$!(xx) . (P => Q)	Universal quantification of xx over $(P \Rightarrow Q)$
$\exists xx \cdot (P \wedge Q)$	#(xx) . (P & Q)	Existential quantification of xx over $(P \wedge Q)$
$TRUE$	TRUE	Truth value $TRUE$.
$FALSE$	FALSE	Truth value $FALSE$
$BOOL$	BOOL	Set of boolean values $\{ TRUE, FALSE \}$
$bool(P)$	bool(P)	Convert predicate P into $BOOL$ value

B.6 AMN: Ordered Pairs & Relations

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$X \times Y$	X * Y	Cartesian product of X and Y
$x \mapsto y$	x -> y	Ordered pair, maplet
$\text{prj}_1(S, T)(x \mapsto y)$	prj1(S,T) (x -> y)	Ordered pair projection function
$\text{prj}_2(S, T)(x \mapsto y)$	prj2(S,T) (x -> y)	Ordered pair projection function
$\mathbb{P}(X \times Y)$	POW(X * Y)	Set of relations between X and Y
$X \leftrightarrow Y$	X <-> Y	Set of relations between X and Y
$\text{dom}(R)$	dom(R)	Domain of relation R
$\text{ran}(R)$	ran(R)	Range of relation R

B.7 AMN: Relations Operators

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$A \triangleleft R$	A < R	Domain restriction of R to the set A
$A \triangleleft R$	A << R	Domain subtraction of R by the set A
$R \triangleright B$	R > B	Range restriction of R to the set B
$R \triangleright B$	R >> B	Range anti-restriction of R by the set B
$R[B]$	R[B]	Relational Image of the set B of relation R
$R_1 \triangleleft R_2$	R1 <+ R2	R_1 overridden by relation R_2
$R ; Q$	(R ; Q)	Forward Relational composition
$\text{id}(X)$	id(X)	Identity relation
R^{-1}	R~	Inverse relation
R^n	iterate(R,n)	Iterated Composition of R
R^+	closure1(R)	Transitive closure of R
R^*	closure(R)	Reflexive-transitive closure of R

B.8 AMN: Functions

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$X \rightarrowtail Y$	X ++> Y	Partial function from X to Y
$X \rightarrow Y$	X --> Y	Total function from X to Y
$X \rightarrowtail Y$	X >+> Y	Partial injection from X to Y
$X \rightarrow Y$	X >-> Y	Total injection from X to Y
$X \twoheadrightarrow Y$	X ++>> Y	Partial surjection from X to Y
$X \twoheadrightarrow Y$	X -->> Y	Total surjection from X to Y
$X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$	X >->> Y	(Total) Bijection from X to Y
$f \triangleleft g$	f <+ g	Function f overridden by function g

B.9 AMN: Sequences

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$[]$	<code>[]</code>	Empty Sequence
$[e1]$	<code>[e1]</code>	Singleton Sequence
$[e1, e2]$	<code>[e1, e2]</code>	Constructed (enumerated) Sequence
$\text{seq}(X)$	<code>seq(X)</code>	Set of Sequences over set X
$\text{iseq}(X)$	<code>iseq(X)</code>	Set of injective Sequences over set X
$\text{size}(s)$	<code>size(s)</code>	Size (length) of Sequence s

B.10 AMN: Sequences Operators

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$s \frown t$	<code>s^t</code>	Concatenation of Sequences s & t
$e \rightarrow s$	<code>e -> s</code>	Insert element e to front of sequence s
$s \leftarrow e$	<code>s <- e</code>	Append element e to end of sequence s
$\text{rev}(s)$	<code>rev(s)</code>	Reverse of sequence s
$\text{first}(s)$	<code>first(s)</code>	First element of sequence s
$\text{last}(s)$	<code>last(s)</code>	Last element of sequence s
$\text{front}(s)$	<code>front(s)</code>	Front of sequence s , excluding last element
$\text{tail}(s)$	<code>tail(s)</code>	Tail of sequence s , excluding first element
$\text{conc}(SS)$	<code>conc(SS)</code>	Concatenation of sequence of sequences SS
$s \uparrow n$	<code>s /\ n</code>	Take first n elements of sequence s
$s \downarrow n$	<code>s \\/ n</code>	Drop first n elements of sequence s

B.11 AMN: Miscellaneous Symbols & Operators

B Symbol	ASCII	Description
$\text{var} := E$	<code>var := E</code>	Assignment
$S1 \parallel S2$	<code>S1 S2</code>	Parallel execution of $S1$ and $S2$

B.12 AMN: Operation Statements

B.12.1 Assignment Statements

`xx := xxval`

`xx, yy, zz := xxval, yyval, zzval`

`xx := xxval || yy := yyval`

B.12.2 Deterministic Statements

`skip`

`BEGIN S END`

`PRE PC THEN S END`

`IF B THEN S END`

`IF B THEN S1 ELSE S2 END`

`IF B1 THEN S1 ELSIF B2 THEN S2 ELSE S3 END`

`CASE E OF`

`EITHER v1 THEN S1`

`OR v2 THEN S2`

`OR v3 THEN S3`

`ELSE`

`S4`

`END`

B.13 B Machine Clauses

MACHINE Name(Params)

CONSTRAINTS	Cons
EXTENDS	M1, M2, ...
INCLUDES	M3, M4, ...
PROMOTES	op1, op2, ...
SEES	M5, M6, ...
USES	M7, M8, ...
SETS	Sets
CONSTANTS	Consts
PROPERTIES	Props
VARIABLES	Vars
INVARIANT	Inv
INITIALISATION	Init

OPERATIONS

```

yy <-- op( xx ) =
    PRE PC
    THEN Subst
    END ;
...
END
```

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