

This exam consists of 4 questions located in 2 pages. Attempt all the questions and assume any missing data or logical assumptions.

Question (1): (30 marks)

- Define the following concepts:
 - Machine-to-Machine (M2M). (5 marks)
 - Industry 4.0. (5 marks)
- The following two figures represent a finite state machine (FSM) for a traffic light system. Fig. represents the subsystem of car traffic light, while Fig. describes pedestrian traffic light. Answer the following questions:

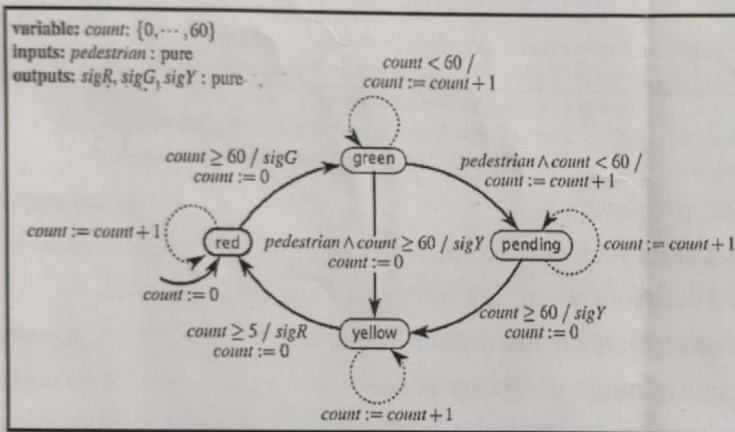


Fig. 1 Car Traffic Light FSM

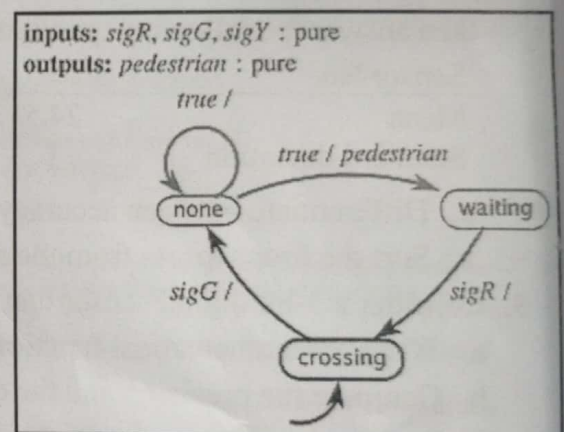


Fig. 2 Pedestrian Traffic Light FSM

- Define the following concepts related to FSM: Determinacy, and reachable states. (4 marks)
- What is the determinacy for both FSM in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2. (2 marks)
- For the car traffic light FSM in Fig. 1, determine the size of state space, and the number of reachable states. (4 marks)
- Write the mathematical model for the pedestrian traffic light FSM on Fig. 2. (10 marks)

Question (2): (30 marks)

- Explain the concept of model of computations (MoC). (10 marks)
- Consider the following synchronous dataflow (SDF) model in Fig. 3 and answer the following questions:
 - Define: Synchronous dataflow model. (4 marks)

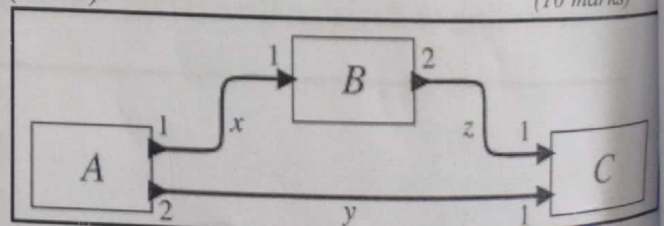


Fig. 3 An SDF model

- b. Related to buffering in dataflow models, explain the issues of unbounded execution, and deadlock. (4 marks)
- c. For the network in Fig. 3, write the system of balance equations for the SDF model and describe it in a matrix form. (4 marks)
- d. Obtain the least positive integer solution for the balance equations. (4 marks)
- e. Give an example of a scheduling pattern for the network in Fig. 3 to get an unbounded execution with bounded buffers. (4 marks)

Question (3): (30 marks)

1. Design a timed automata model for heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system that regulates the room temperature at 20°C. (10 marks)
2. Assume you are testing four different types of temperature sensors by an experiment. The experiment is conducted by having 100 measurements of each sensor. The real temperature measured by a calibrated reliable sensor is 25°C. Read the statistical analysis of the sensors then answer the following questions:

Sensor No.	1	2	3	4
Mean	24.5	22	24.8	21.9
Standard deviation	1	0.2	0.4	1.5

- a. Differentiate between accuracy and precision. (4 marks)
- b. Sort the four sensors from the most reliable to the least. (4 marks)
3. Consider a 3-bit digital sensor that can measure a voltage between zero and one volt.
 - a. Write the mathematical function description for the sensor behavior. (4 marks)
 - b. Compute the precision and the dynamic range of the sensors. (4 marks)
 - c. Define the sensor distortion function, then plot the ideal staircase sensor distortion function for this sensor. (4 marks)

Question (4): (30 marks)

1. Define the concept of memory model? (6 marks)
2. What is meant by garbage collection in memory? Explain why it is prohibited in some standards and coding guidelines like MISRA-C. (6 marks)
3. Explain the three abstraction layers for concurrency. (8 marks)
4. Define the concept of scheduling decisions, then compare different types of schedulers according to decision time (Design time or run time). (10 marks)

*With my best wishes,
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