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COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
SCHOOL OF INFORMATICS

INFORMATICS 1 - COMPUTATION AND LOGIC

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14:30 to 16:30

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Note that **ALL QUESTIONS ARE COMPULSORY.**
2. **DIFFERENT QUESTIONS MAY HAVE DIFFERENT NUMBERS OF TOTAL MARKS.** Take note of this in allocating time to questions.
3. Calculators may not be used in this examination.

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THIS EXAMINATION WILL BE MARKED ANONYMOUSLY

1. In a certain imaginary land, there are three kinds of inhabitants: knights, knaves and spies. Knights always tell the truth; knaves always lie; spies sometimes tell the truth and sometimes lie.

Consider the following statements made by three inhabitants of the land:

A: "I am Smiley."

B: "What A says is true."

C: "I am Smiley."

Of these three inhabitants, one is a knight, one is a knave and one is a spy. The spy is the only one named Smiley. Which of A, B and C is the spy? [10 marks]

2. Show that the following logical expressions are equivalent, using the method of truth tables:

(a) $p \rightarrow q ; p \rightarrow (p \rightarrow (p \rightarrow q))$ [4 marks]

(b) $(p \text{ or } q) \text{ and } (\text{not}(p) \text{ or } r) ; (p \text{ and } r) \text{ or } (q \text{ and } \text{not}(p)) \text{ or } (q \text{ and } r)$ [5 marks]

(c) $((p \leftrightarrow q) \text{ and } (p \leftrightarrow r)) ; (p \text{ and } q \text{ and } r) \text{ or } (\text{not}(p) \text{ and } \text{not}(q) \text{ and } \text{not}(r))$ [6 marks]

3. (a) Explain what it means for a formula to be in conjunctive normal form (CNF). [3 marks]

(b) Convert the following propositional expressions to CNF:

i. $(p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow (q \rightarrow r)$ [5 marks]

ii. $\text{not}((p \text{ or } q) \text{ and } (\text{not}(p) \text{ or } \text{not}(q)))$ [5 marks]

iii. $p \text{ and } \text{not}(p \rightarrow q)$ [3 marks]

- (c) Show that the following set of clauses is consistent, using the Davis-Putnam algorithm for resolution: [9 marks]

$[[a, \text{not}(a), b], [a, \text{not}(c), d], [b, c, \text{not}(d)], [c, \text{not}(d)], [\text{not}(b), \text{not}(d)], [a, c]]$

4. (a) Explain the notions of finite-state transducer and finite-state acceptor, with an emphasis on the differences between the notions. [4 marks]

(b) Design a finite-state machine over the alphabet $\{0, 1\}$ which accepts all strings which have length a multiple of 4 and which have an odd number of 1s. [9 marks]

5. Give a formal proof that there is no finite-state machine over the alphabet $\{1\}$ which accepts only those strings with length a power of 2. [15 marks]

6. Consider the following formal description of a non-deterministic finite state machine M : $M = (Q, \Sigma, s_0, F, \delta)$, where

$$Q = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{1, 2\}$$

$$s_0 = \{1\}$$

$$F = \{8\}$$

$$\delta = \{(1, 1, 2), (1, 1, 4), (2, 2, 2), (2, 2, 3), (3, 1, 3), (3, \epsilon, 8), (4, 1, 5), (5, 1, 5), (5, 2, 5), (4, 2, 6), (6, 1, 4), (6, 1, 6), (6, 2, 7), (7, \epsilon, 8)\}.$$

- (a) Draw the machine M . [2 marks]
- (b) Write down a regular expression for the language accepted by M . [10 marks]
- (c) Give a *deterministic* finite-state machine equivalent to M . [10 marks]