

## **Problem Sheet 2**

- 1) Draw one possible example of a two-tiered and another example of a three-tiered architecture. Explain briefly the placement of components in both architectures.
- 2) What is meant by a **mobile agent** in distributed systems?
- 3) In any distributed system there are three roles: **system administrator**, **application developer** and **end user**. For each of the following factors, which is the most important and relevant factor among the three roles? **Explain briefly** the reason for your role choice in each case and why the other two roles are not selected. **Place your comments in a table form as shown below**.

Factor	System Admin	App Developer	End User
Code Reusability			
Interoperability			
Portability			
Changing Technology			
System Throughput			
System Response			
Time			

- 4) Briefly describe the difference between **system authentication** and **system authorization** in distributed systems.
- 5) List **three** different characteristics for cloud systems.
- 6) Cloud systems can be classified based on deployment into three models: **public**, **private** and **hybrid** clouds. Briefly discuss the difference between the three models.
- 7) Describe briefly the different characteristics that should be available in any distributed system **transaction.**
- 8) What is meant by **committing** a **transaction** in a distributed system?
- 9) What is meant by a **Java Socket**?
- 10) **Describe briefly** the purpose of **Java RMI.** Draw a sample diagram that shows the **Java RMI architecture** and describe briefly all its components.
- 11) Propose a design that can be used to develop an online **X-O game** using Java RMI. Describe your design using both figures and text.