

# NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14/16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MARCH/APRIL 2014 EXAMINATION

**COURSE CODE: CIT736** 

**COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER PROGRAMMING** 

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS** 

**INSTRUCTION: ATTEMPT ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS** 

#### **Question 1**

- a. Given the probability function  $P=(1-n!)/((n-c)!*n^c)$ , where **n** is the number of days in a year, **c** is the size of the population, write a FORTRAN program to calculate and display the value of P given any value of n and c. The program should work as follows:
  - i. It should accept values of n and c from the user as input
- ii. It MUST contain a function called **fact** which accepts a single argument and returns its factorial
  - iii. fact must be used in the program to calculate all factorial values
  - iv. The final program should return the value of the probability P.

(13 marks)

- b. What is the difference between a FORTRAN function and a FORTRAN subroutine? (2.5 marks)
- c. What is the advantage of using functions and subroutines in FORTRAN programs? (2 marks)

## **Question 2**

- a. With the aid of a diagram, briefly explain the term "translator" (4 marks).
- b. Explain briefly, the following types of program errors, stating examples in each case (7.5 marks):
  - i. Conversion error
  - ii. Round-off error
  - iii. Syntax error

- iv. Runtime error
- v. Logical error
- c. List and explain briefly 4 properties of a good program. (6 marks)

## **Question 3**

- a. Write a FORTRAN 90/95 program to compute the sum, product and average of any n integers where n>=0. In particular ensure that the program handles the case n=0 without yielding any errors (10 marks)
- b. Caching promotes efficiency when 2 conditions are met. State those 2 conditions (3 marks).
   c. State and explain 3 methods/ways to step through code during debugging (4.5 marks)

#### **Ouestion 4**

- a. Draw the flowchart for a program that reads 3 integers and prints out their sum, product and average (7 marks)
- b. Write a Pascal program that calculates and displays the squares of all numbers between 1 and 1000 as well as the sum and average of these squares. (8.5 marks)
- c. Briefly explain the logic behind desk checking (2 marks)

## **Question 5**

a. Complete the following table containing Pascal keywords/functions with the output/effect of each of statement (5 marks):

Keyword	Description/Effect
Clrscr	
Gotoxy(int,int)	
ReadKey	
Delay(1000)	
Halt(1)	

b. Find errors, if any, in the following unformatted Pascal I/O statements:

i. Read (a; b; c); (2 marks)

ii. Write ("The sum is", sum); (2 marks)

- c. Suppose that we have data items; a = 10 and b = 44
  - i. Determine the output if the program segment is executed:

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Read (a, b);

c = a ^ 2;

d = 2 * b;

Write (a, c, d);

(3 marks)

ii. If the write statement is changed to:

Writeln (a, c);

Write (d);

(2 marks)
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d. Write a pascal program to read the values 2.34, 1.25, 3.25 and prints each value, one per line, with formatted output of one decimal place and a field width of 5. (5.5 marks)

# **Question 6**

F=C\*(9/5)+32 where F is Fahrenheit and C is Celsius

- a. Write a Pascal/FORTRAN program to read and convert a Fahrenheit temperature supplied by a user to Celsius. (5.5 marks)
- b. Draw the flowchart for the program in a. (3.5 marks)
- c. Write a Pascal/FORTRAN program to read and convert a Celsius temperature supplied by a user to Fahrenheit. (5 marks)
- d. Draw the flowchart for the program in c. (3.5 marks)