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Algorithms

Answer all 3 questions.

Time allowed: 2 hours

Question 1

- (a) What is meant by
- (i) a randomised algorithm? [1 mark]
 - (ii) a Monte Carlo algorithm? [2 marks]
 - (iii) a Las Vegas algorithm? [2 marks]
- (b) Which basic operations are efficiently supported in 2-4 trees? What is their running time? [4 marks]
- (c) Which cryptosystem becomes insecure if quantum computers become practicable? Just name one system. [1 mark]
- (d) Does every false formula in CNF have a polynomial-size Resolution refutation? Give reasons. [2 marks]

[question 1 total: 12 marks]

Question 2

- (a) State the extended Euclidean algorithm in pseudocode. [6 marks]
- (b) Explain the RSA cryptosystem, including full details on public and private keys. [6 marks]
- (c) Let $n = 85$, $e = 19$ be Bob's public key in the RSA cryptosystem. Use the extended Euclidean algorithm to compute Bob's private key. State all steps of the computation. [6 marks]

[question 2 total: 18 marks]

Question 3

- (a) Define Horn formulas. [2 marks]
- (b) State the satisfiability test for Horn formulas in pseudocode. [5 marks]
- (c) What is the running time of your algorithm? Give reasons. [3 marks]
- (d) Use the algorithm to determine whether the formula

$$(p_1 \wedge p_2 \rightarrow p_3) \wedge (p_2 \rightarrow p_1) \wedge (p_2 \wedge p_4 \rightarrow 0) \wedge (1 \rightarrow p_2)$$

is satisfiable. State all steps of the algorithm. [5 marks]

[question 3 total: 15 marks]

[grand total: 45 marks]