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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, STATISTICS, ACTUARIAL SCIENCE, ELECTRONICS & BACHELOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

SCI 102: PROGRAMMING METHODOLOGY

DATE: 11TH DECEMBER, 2017

TIME: 4.00 -6.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- a) Answer **ALL** questions from section A(Compulsory)
 - b) Answer **ANY TWO** questions from section B
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SECTION A, COMPULSORY: QUESTION ONE: 30 MARKS

- a) Explain the following concepts as used in programming:
 - (i) Software Development Life Cycle; (2 Marks)
 - (ii) Algorithms. (2 Marks)
- b) Outline two qualities of a good algorithm. (4 Marks)
- c) Differentiate between semantic errors and syntax errors. (2 Marks)
- d) Write a program to convert your surname from uppercase to lower case and vice versa. Hint use ASCII system A=65, a=97. Apply XOR. (3 Marks)
- e) Explain the software crisis of 1960s' that led to the introduction of High Level Languages. (3 Marks)
- f) Distinguish between linking and compiling as used in programming. (4 Marks)
- g) Perform the following operations from programming point of view.
 - (i) $5\%2$
 - (ii) $5/2$ (2 Marks)
- h) Enumerate four rules to be followed when naming variables. (2 Marks)

i) Write the meaning of the following escape codes.

(i) \a

(ii) \!

(2 Marks)

j) Write a C/C++ program to evaluate $2^2+4^2+6^2+8^2+10^2+\dots+q^2$

(3 Marks)

k) Given the program , re-write it using the for loop:

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int product = 3;
while ( product <= 100 )
    product = 3 * product;
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(3 Marks)

SECTION B (40 MARKS)

Answer *two* questions from this section

QUESTION TWO

a) Difference between local and global variables.

(2 Marks)

b) Explain the difference between the following set of terms/symbols as used in programming:

(i) “=” and “==”;

(ii) #include<stdio.h> and #include <iostream.h>

(4 Marks)

c) A meal card module in an accounting system at starehe girls high school performs the following tasks:

i. captures name, admission number, class, termly-fees and amount paid;

ii. allocates meal cards to students according to the following criteria:

- if the fee balance is above 50000, the student is not allocated a meal card;
- if the fee balance is between 20000 and 50000, a one week’s meal card is allocated to the student;
- if the fee balance is below 20000, a one month’s meal card is allocated;
- otherwise, a full term’s meal card is allocated.

iii. displays the fee balance .

Required

I. Represent the logic of the module using a flowchart.

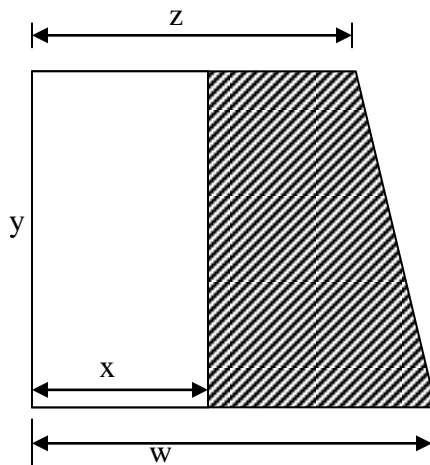
(6 Marks)

II. Write a C/C++ program that will implement the flowchart drawn in (I).

(8 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Highlight three merits of modular programming. **(3 Marks)**
- b) Giving one area of application for each, explain the difference between one dimensional array and multi-dimensional array. **(4 Marks)**
- c) Whenever solving a problem that requires the development of a software solution in any field, the programmers are faced with challenging task of justifying the choice of a programming language that gives the expected solution. Enumerate four factors to consider in evaluating a programming language to settle on. **(4 Marks)**
- d) The Figure below shows a pictorial view of a plot where CHINA WU YI CO. is constructing XYZ TOWERS. The building measuring x by y is to be build inside the plot as shown. Use it to answer the question that follows.



Write one C/C++ program that will accept the appropriate input calculate and output

- area of the whole plot,
- area covered by the building;
- area of shaded region.

(9 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) CHINA WU YI Company that is constructing XYZ towers wish to have a program that will convert feet (ft) to inches, inches to cm, cm to meters. Given 1feet=12 inches, 1 inch= 2.54cm and 100cm= 1m. Use function prototype in which the worker is prompted for ft through the keyboard. **(6 Marks)**

- b) Engineers Sacco allows its customers to make deposits in a savings account. The amount deposited earns a 12% annual interest. Given that P is deposit, A is the amount accumulated in n years and r is the interest rate. Write a C/C++ program that prompts the user to enter the initial P and n in years, then computes A given $A=P \times (1+r/100)^n$.

(6 Marks)

- c) The following matrix contains the number of computers sold at an Electronic shop in the month of June.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 & 2 \\ 7 & 5 & 2 & 9 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 2 & 8 & 3 \\ 4 & 7 & 8 & 8 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Write a C++ program that will initialize a two-dimensional array with the values in the matrix and use a function to determine the total number of computers sold in the month of June. The program should then output the total number of computers sold. Use a *function prototype* and the *for loop* structure.

(8 Marks)