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Course Unit: TMS1223 Computer Programming Techniques (Theory) Duration: 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- This paper contains **04 QUESTIONS** in **06 PAGES** including this sheet.
- **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.** All questions carry equal marks.
- This is a closed book examination.
- If you have any doubt as to the interpretation of the wording of a question, make your own decision, but clearly state it on the script.
- All Examinations are conducted under the rules and regulations of the University.

Q1.

- a) State the two (02) differences between compiler and interpreter in computer programming. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the difference between the **int** and **float** data types in terms of the values they can represent. (2 marks)
- c) Understand the following C program and answer the given questions.

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int num1 = 5, num2 = 7, sum;
    sum = num1 + num2;
    // Output statement
    printf("The sum of %d and %d is: %d\n", num1, num2, sum);
    return 0;
}
```

Code 1

- i. Explain the purpose of variable declaration and initialization in the code and list the variables declared with their initial values.
- ii. Discuss the significance of **comments** in the code and mention any comments you find.
- iii. Mention the included header file and describe its purpose in the code.
- iv. Explain the purpose of the **printf()** statement.

(8marks)

- d) Write a C program that takes user input for the following information about a book:
- Title (string)
 - Author (string)
 - Publication Year (integer)
 - Price (float)
- The program should then display this information in an organized manner.

(11 marks)

Q2.

a) Write down **three (03)** main control structures used in C programming language.

(3 Marks)

b) Write down the output of the program given in *code 2* below.

```
#include<stdio.h>

int main () {
    int i =1;
    while (i <=5){
        printf ("%d ", i*i);
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Code 2

(4 marks)

c) Write a program that has the same output as the above program (*Code 2*) using a **for** loop instead of the while loop.

(5 marks)

d) Imagine you are creating a program for a vending machine that dispenses beverages. Write a C program that uses a **switch** case to allow the user to select a beverage based on the following menu:

- Coffee
- Tea
- Hot Chocolate

The program should ask the user to enter a number corresponding to their choice. Using a **switch** case, display a message indicating the selected beverage. If the user enters an invalid number, display an error message.

Sample output:

```
Select your beverage:
1. Coffee
2. Tea
3. Hot Chocolate

Enter the number of your choice: 2

You selected Tea.
```

Figure 1

(13 marks)

Q3.

a) Explain the primary purpose of pointers in C programming. (2 marks)

b) State **two (2)** advantages of using pointers in programming. (2 marks)

c) Analyze the following code (**Code 3**) and provide the expected output for each **printf** statement. If there are errors, correct them and provide the output of the modified code.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 15, b = 30, *ptrA, *ptrB;
    ptrA = &a;
    *ptrB = b * 2;
    printf("%d is stored in location %u \n", a, &a);
    printf("%d is stored in location %u \n", *&a, &a);
    printf("%d is stored in location %u \n", *ptrA, ptrA);
    printf("%d is stored in location %u \n", *ptrB, &*ptrB);
    printf("%u is stored in location %u \n", ptrA, &ptrA);
    printf("%d is stored in location %u \n", *ptrB, &b);
    *ptrA = 45;
    printf("\nNow a = %d \n", a);
    return 0;
}
```

Code 3

Consider the memory addresses of a, b, ptrA and ptrB as follows.

Address of a: 4908

Address of b: 4904

Address of ptrA: 4900

Address of ptrB: 4896

(15 marks)

d) You are tasked with creating a program to store and display the temperatures of a week. Write a C program that does the following:

- i. Declare an array named **temperatures** to store the temperatures of a week (7 days).
- ii. Use a loop to input temperatures for each day of the week from the user.
- iii. Display the temperatures for each day of the week using a loop.

(6 marks)

Q4.

a) Explain **two (2)** advantages of **sorting** with applications?

(2 marks)

b) Consider the following list of integers.

[4, 2, 7, 1, 3]

Apply the following algorithms to sort this list in ascending order. Clearly indicate the step-by-step breakdown of the algorithms applied to the given list.

- i) Bubble sort
- (ii) Insertion sort
- (iii) Selection sort

(6 marks)

c) Write a program that includes functions to calculate the sum and product (multiplication) of two integers.

(8 marks)

d) Analyze the following code (**Code 4**) and provide the expected output for each **printf** statement.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int x = 5, y = 10;

    // Increment/Decrement Expressions (5 points)
    printf("a. %d\n", x++);
    printf("b. %d\n", --y);
    printf("c. %d\n", x--);
    printf("d. %d\n", ++y);

    // Combined Expressions (5 points)
    printf("e. %d\n", x++ * y);
    printf("f. %d\n", --y + x);

    // Boolean Expressions (5 points)
    printf("g. %d\n", x > y || y == x);

    // Final Values (5 points)
    printf("Final x: %d\n", x);
    printf("Final y: %d\n", y);

    return 0;
}
```

Code 4

(9 marks)

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