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FIRST YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

AND

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SECOND YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
BUSINESS STATISTICS

ICS 2104: OBJECT ORIENTED PROGRAMMING I

DATE: AUGUST 2012

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

QUESTION ONE – 30 MARKS

- a. Define the following terms: (3 Marks)
- Syntax
 - Object code
 - Recursion
- b. State three restrictions that apply to constructors and destructors. (3 Marks)
- c. State one similarity and one difference between a record/struct and an array. (2 Marks)
- d. Explain the concept of function overloading in C++ (2 Marks)
- e. Do a walk through to find the value assigned to e. Assume that all variables are properly declared. Show all your working. (4 Marks)
- ```
a = 3;
b = 4;
c = (a % b) * 6;
d = c / b;
e = (a + b + c) / 4;
```

- f. Explain the functions of the following manipulators. (6 Marks)
- i. Setprecision
  - ii. Setw
  - iii. Setfill

- g. What will be the output when the following code executes. (4 Marks)

```
#include<iostream.h>
void main()
{
 int i;
 for (i=12; i>=9; i--)
 cout<<"*";
 cout<<endl;
}
```

- h. Using while write a C++ program that finds power of a given positive integer. (6 Marks)

### QUESTION TWO – 20 MARKS

- a. Explain five purpose of inheritance. (5 Marks)
- b. Define the following terms: (3 Marks)
  - i. Reference variable
  - ii. Sentinel
  - iii. Aggregate operation on an array
- c. State four programming styles that are used to make a programs source code user friendly. (4 Marks)
- d. State four advantages of using functions in a program. (4 Marks)
- e. Explain how OOP is implemented in C++ (4 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE – 20 MARKS

- a. Differentiate between an operator and an operand giving an appropriate example. (4 Marks)
- b. Define the following terms: (3 Marks)
  - i. Data type
  - ii. Identifier
  - iii. Comment
- c. Write the syntax for declaring a switch statement. (4 Marks)
- d. State two conditions for a function to be termed recursive. (2 Marks)
- e. Differentiate between pass by value and pass by reference as used in programming. (4 Marks)
- f. Explain why and when do we use protected instead of private in classes. (3 Marks)

### QUESTION FOUR – 20 MARKS

- a. Define the following terms: (3 Marks)
  - i. Control structures
  - ii. Infinite loop
  - iii. Expression
- b. Declare integer variable **me** which is a reference variable to variable **you**. (3 Marks)

- c. Using appropriate examples explain the following errors. (6 Marks)
- d. Suppose x,y,z are simple Boolean expressions and all currently have the value FALSE. How should the following expression evaluate? Show all your working. (3 Marks)  
NOT X OR Y AND Z
- e. Differentiate between a structured data type and a simple data type. (2 Marks)
- f. Explain the concept of encapsulation as used in OOP. (3 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE – 20 MARKS**

- a. Write a C++ program that uses a while loop to find power of a given positive integer i.e ( $a^b$ ) (8 Marks)
- b. Differentiate between single inheritance and multiple inheritances. (2 Marks)
- c. Define the following terms: (3 Marks)
  - i. Parameterized constructor
  - ii. Destructor
  - iii. Global variable
- d. Write a C++ program to display the following pattern. (7 Marks)

```
x
x x
x x x
x x x x
x x x x
```