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**Instructions**

Answer 3 questions.  
All questions will be marked equally.

Duration	<u>2hrs</u>
No. of Answer Books	<u>1</u>

**Requirements**

Handout	<u></u>
MCQ	<u></u>
Statistical Tables	<u></u>
Graph Paper	<u></u>
Log Graph Paper	<u></u>
Other Material	<u></u>

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1. (a) Explain what is meant by the derived inference rule

$$\frac{\vdash \{P\} C \{Q\} \quad \vdash [P] C [T]}{\vdash [P] C [Q]}$$

Does the converse hold?

- (b) Calculate the results of carrying out the following substitutions:

- (i)  $(X^3 - 3 * X)[X - 1/X]$
- (ii)  $(X + Y)[Y, X/X, Y]$
- (iii)  $(X + Y)[X/Y][Y/X]$
- (iv)  $(Z \leq Y)[X + Z/Z][X + Z, Y/Y, X]$

- (c) For all variables in the following expressions, state whether they are free or bound:

- (i)  $(\forall x. (\exists y. P(x) \Rightarrow Q(y)) \wedge \neg R(z, x))$
- (ii)  $P(x, y) \vee (\exists z. Q(x)) \Rightarrow R(z)$
- (iii)  $\forall x. ((y \geq 1) \wedge (x \geq y)) \wedge \forall z. (\neg(z = 1))$

2. (a) Prove:

$$\begin{aligned} &\vdash \{A[X] = x \wedge A[Y] = y \wedge X \neq Y\} \\ &\quad A[X] := A[X] + A[Y]; \\ &\quad A[Y] := A[X] - A[Y]; \\ &\quad A[X] := A[X] - A[Y] \\ &\quad \{A[X] = y \wedge A[Y] = x\} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Explain the distinction between

- (i) Specification and Implementation
- (ii) Partial and Total Correctness
- (iii) Axiom and Theorem

- (c) Explain the meaning of the notation  $wp(C, Q)$  used in Weakest Precondition Semantics, with Code  $C$  and Postcondition  $Q$ .

3. (a) Explain the meaning of the following Floyd Hoare specifications (here, T stands for TRUE and F stands for FALSE):

- (i)  $\vdash [T]C[T]$
- (ii)  $\vdash \{T\}C\{T\}$
- (iii)  $\vdash \{P\}C\{T\}$
- (iv)  $\vdash [F]C[Q]$
- (v)  $\vdash [T]C[F]$

Only one of these specifications actually requires further details (on precondition  $P$ , code  $C$ , postcondition  $Q$ ) to verify its correctness. State which specification this is, and state whether the other four specifications are correct or not.

- (b) Prove the following formulas of Floyd Hoare logic:

- (i)  $\{(2 \times X) > 2\} X := X - 1; \quad X := X + X \{X \geq 0\}$
- (ii)  $\{True\} A := Y; \quad Z := 1 \{Z = X^{Y-A}\}$
- (iii)  $\{Y = n \wedge X = m\}$   
 $X := X + Y; \quad Y := X - Y; \quad X := X - Y$   
 $\{X = n \wedge Y = m\}$

4. (a) Prove:

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⊢ {X = n ∧ X ≥ 0}
  Y := 1 ;
  WHILE X > 0 DO
    BEGIN Y := Y * X ; X := X - 1 END
  {Y = n!}
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given that  $\vdash 0! = 1$  and  $\vdash \forall n. n \geq 1 \Rightarrow n! = n \times (n-1)!$ .

(b) Prove:

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⊢ [Y > 0]
  R := X ; Q := 0 ;
  WHILE Y ≤ R DO
    BEGIN R := R - Y ; Q := Q + 1 END
  [X = Y × Q + R ∧ R < Y]
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(N.B.: this is a **total** correctness specification).

5. (a) In each of the following state which (if any) condition is stronger.

- (i)  $x(x-1) = 0$ ;  $x = 0$
- (ii)  $x > 2 - y$ ;  $y - 1 > -x$
- (iii)  $x = 6$ ;  $x \neq 6$
- (iv)  $P(4) = 6$ ;  $(\exists y)P(y) = 6$

(b) Using Weakest Precondition Semantics, determine  $WP(x := x-1; x := x*x, x = 9)$ .

(c) In Program Refinement we define  $[P, Q] = \{C \mid \vdash [P]C[Q]\}$ .

- (i) Prove that  $[P, Q] \supseteq [R, Q]$  provided  $\vdash P \Rightarrow R$ .
- (ii) If  $[P, Q] = C_1 C_2 C_3$  and  $\#(C_i) = i + 2$ , how many distinct refinements are there?