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ENGINEERING

SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

BCECD311: COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

DATE: .

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

This paper consists of FIVE questions

Answer question one and other two questions in this paper

- 1 a) State the *differences* between the following terms.
 - i Variable and Constant.
 - ii Operator and Operand.
 - iii Union and Structure
 - iv Selection and Iteration. (8 marks)
- b) Explain any four benefits of using functions in a program (4 marks)
- c) Using Explain the different types of parameters. (4 marks)
- d) Write a C program that accepts two values through the keyboard. The program should use two functions, one for calculating the product of the two values and another one for calculating the difference between the two values. Demonstrate how the two functions are called in the main function (7 marks)
- e) Using appropriate examples illustrate the **two** types of *comments* used in C (4 marks)
- f) Outline any three rules that must be followed when creating an identifier (3 marks)

- 2 a) Using flowcharts, explain the differences between while loop and the do..while Loop (6 marks)
- b) Write a C program that will generate all the *even* numbers in the range **50 to 100**. Use the for loop and the if statement (6 marks)
- c) The following is a C program segment. Use it to answer the question that follows.
- ```

Main()
{
 int a,b,c,y;
 b=++a;
 c=b++;
 y=b+c;
}

```

Given that the value of a is 6, evaluate the value of y. (4 marks)

- d) State the differences between *continue* and *break* as used in C programming. (4 marks)
- 3 a) State the reasons why the following identifiers are *invalid*
- i value\$sum
  - ii exit flag
  - iii 3lotsofmoney
  - iv char
- (4 marks)
- b) Table 1 shows the main menu of a management information system. Use it to answer the question that follows.

| Option | Menu Activity         |
|--------|-----------------------|
| 1      | Capture a New Student |
| 2      | Edit Record           |
| 3      | Check Balance         |
|        | Close Record          |

Table 1

Write a C program that would prompt a user to enter an option. The program

Should then outputs the menu activity. Use the switch..case statement (6 marks)

- c) Explain the difference between an ordinary Union and an anonymous Union. (2 marks)

- d) Write a C program that will accept a value and then using a function, calculate the factorial of that number. (6 marks)
- e) Define the term variable (2 marks)
- 4 a) Implement a *structure* with the following *attributes*: employee name, employee number, location and address. Declare an array of **6** employees then read in their values and display them. (7 marks)
- b) Ufanisi Company limited uses the following information to compute its ` employees net pay,  
 Rate of pay= Ksh 1000 per hour  
 Rate of taxation 11%  
 Write a C program that accepts an employee's name and number of hours worked then computes the net pay and outputs the name, hours worked, gross pay and net pay  
**Hint:**  
 Gross pay= hours worked \*rate of pay  
 Taxation = gross pay \* taxation  
 Net pay= gross pay – taxation (5 marks)
- c) Distinguish between *or* and *not* logical operators. (2 marks)
- d) The following is a C program. Use it to answer the question that follows  

```
#include<iostream.h>
{
 Interger I, j, y;
 For(i=1; i<n; i++)
 Y:=i*y;
}
```

 Identify **three** errors in the program (3 marks)
- e) Explain any **three** C programming variable Formatters. (3 marks)
- 5 a) Write a Cprogram that will accept two names through the keyboard and then print them out (4 marks)
- b) Write a C program that will print out a mathematical table for 1 to 10 (7 marks)
- c) The following is a C program. Use it to answer the question that follows  

```
#include<iostream.h>
{
```

```
Interger I, j, y;
for(i=1; i<n; i++)
 Y:=i*y;
}
```

Identify **three** errors in the program

(3 marks)

d) Write a C Program that will print out the following pattern.

5 5 5 5 5

4 4 4 4

3 3 3

2 2

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(6 marks)