

**Question 1.** [3 MARKS]

Suppose  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  are boolean variables.

Give a logical expression (not using `if`) that represents the value returned by the following Java code:

```
if (a) {
    return b;
} else if (c) {
    return d;
} else {
    return false;
}
```

Solution:  $(a \wedge b) \vee (\sim a \wedge c \wedge d)$

**Question 2.** [5 MARKS]**Part (a)** [2 MARKS]

Consider the following property of natural numbers:

$m(x, y, z) = "x * y = z"$ .

Using the property  $m$ , write a sentence that is true if and only if  $a$  exactly divides  $b$ .

Solution:  $\exists y \in N, m(a, y, b)$

Grading: 1 for correct quantifier

1 for correct parameters for  $m$

**Part (b)** [3 MARKS]

Let  $P(x)$  denote the property "natural number  $x$  is prime."

Write a sentence that says there is a minimum prime number.

Use  $P$ , but don't use `max` or `min`.

Solution:  $\exists y \in N, [P(y) \wedge (\forall x \in N, P(x) \implies x > y)]$ .

Grading: 1 mark off for each mistake

**Question 3.** [6 MARKS]

Three teens went shopping one afternoon and each bought 2 items.

Al bought a CD and a muffin.

Flo bought a book and a CD.

Lee bought a T-shirt and a postcard.

Let  $\mathcal{T} = \{\text{Al, Flo, Lee}\}$  and let  $\mathcal{I} = \{\text{book, CD, muffin, postcard, T-shirt}\}$ .

For  $t \in \mathcal{T}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{I}$ , let  $bought(t, x)$  denote “ $t$  bought item  $x$ ”.

**Part (a)** [1 MARK]

Write the following statement in everyday language:  $\exists x \in \mathcal{I}, \forall t \in \mathcal{T}, bought(t, x)$ .

Solution: There is some item that all the teens bought.

**Part (b)** [1 MARK]

Is the sentence in (a) true or false?

Solution: false

**Part (c)** [4 MARKS]

Write a single open sentence that is true for  $t = \text{Lee}$ , and

false for  $t = \text{Al}$  and  $t = \text{Flo}$ , and

does not use any constants (i.e. Al, Flo, Lee, book, CD, muffin, postcard or T-shirt).

Solution:  $\forall x \in \mathcal{I}, [bought(t, x) \implies \forall s \in \mathcal{T}, (s \neq t \implies \sim bought(s, x))]$

Grading: 1 mark off for each mistake

**Question 4.** [12 MARKS]

Let  $N$  be the set of positive integers. Consider the sentence:

$$\exists i \in N, \forall j \in N, a_{j+i} = a_j$$

**Part (a)** [1 MARK]

State whether the sentence is true or false for the following sequence:

$$1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

**Part (b)** [11 MARKS]

Formally prove, using the proof structures discussed in class, that the sentence is false for the following sequence:

$$1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2, \dots$$

Use the following formula for this sequence:

$$a_n = \begin{cases} 1, & n = 1 \vee n \text{ is even} \\ 2, & n \neq 1 \wedge n \text{ is odd} \end{cases} .$$

(More room for your solution to question 4(b))

**Question 5.** [14 MARKS]

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  denote the set of all functions with domain  $N$  and codomain  $R^{\geq 0}$ .

For any function  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ , let

$$\Gamma(f) = \{g \in \mathcal{F} \mid \exists a \in R, \exists d \in R, \forall n \in N, g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d\}.$$

Formally prove, using the proof structures discussed in class, that  $\forall f \in \mathcal{F}, O(f) \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ .

You may use the following result (recall that  $R^+$  represents the set of positive real numbers):

$$O(f) = \{g \in \mathcal{F} \mid \exists c \in R^+, \exists b \in N, \forall n \in N, (n \geq b \Rightarrow g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n))\}.$$

Solution:

Let  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  be arbitrary.

Let  $g \in O(f)$ .

Then  $\exists c \in R, \exists b \in N, \forall n \in N, (n \geq b \Rightarrow g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n))$ .

Let  $c \in R$  and  $b \in N$  be such that  $\forall n \in N, (n \geq b \Rightarrow g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n))$ .

Let  $a = c$  and let  $d = \max(\{g(n) - c \cdot f(n) \mid n < b\} \cup \{0\})$ .

Then  $a \in R$  and  $d \in R$ .

Let  $n \in N$  be arbitrary.

Case 1:  $n < b$

Then, by definition of  $d$ ,  $g(n) - a \cdot f(n) \leq d$ .

Thus  $g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d$ .

Case 2:  $n \geq b$

Since  $n \geq b \Rightarrow g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n)$ ,

it follows that  $g(n) \leq c \cdot f(n) = a \cdot f(n)$ .

By definition,  $d \geq 0$ .

Therefore  $g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d$ .

Hence  $g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d$ .

Since  $n$  is an arbitrary element of  $N$ ,

$\forall n \in N, g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d$ .

Thus  $\exists a \in R, \exists d \in R, \forall n \in N, g(n) \leq a \cdot f(n) + d$ .

Therefore  $g \in \Gamma(f)$ .

Thus  $O(f) \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ .

Since  $f$  is an arbitrary element of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,

$\forall f \in \mathcal{F}, O(f) \subseteq \Gamma(f)$ .

Grading:

(More room for you solution to question 5).

**Question 6.** [6 MARKS]

Consider the following algorithm that evaluates a degree  $n$  polynomial at a point  $x$ .

```

EVAL(A,n,x)
v = A[0]
y = 1
i = 1
while i<=n do
    y = y*x
    if A[i] != 0 then
        v = v + y * A[i]
    i = i+1
return v

```

**Part (a)** [2 MARKS]

State a loop invariant for EVAL involving  $A$ ,  $v$  and  $i$ . Do NOT prove that it is a loop invariant.

Solution:  $v = A[0]x^0 + A[1]x^1 + \dots + A[i-1]x^{i-1}$ .

Grading: 1 mark for getting a polynomial

1 mark for getting the last term correct.

**Part (b)** [4 MARKS]

Let  $t_E$  denote the worst case time complexity of EVAL(A,n,x) as a function of  $n$ , where 1 step is an addition, subtraction, or multiplication. Determine, with justification,  $t_E$ . Do NOT use  $O$ ,  $\Omega$  or  $\Theta$ .

Solution: There are  $n$  complete iterations. In each, at most 4 arithmetic operations are performed. Therefore,  $t_E(n) \leq 4n$ .

If all entries in  $A$  are nonzero, then exactly 4 iterations are performed, so  $t_E(n) \geq 4n$ . Thus  $t_E(n) = 4n$ .

Grading: 1 mark for correct answer

1 mark for doing both upper and lower

1 mark for upper bound justification

1 mark for lower bound justification.

**Question 7.** [4 MARKS]

Consider the floating-point number system with  $\beta = 2$ ,  $p = 3$ ,  $e_{min} = -3$  and  $e_{max} = 3$ .

Express the base 10 number 0.6 in this system, using rounding to nearest. Explain your reasoning.

You might find the following useful:  $1/8 = 0.125$ ,  $1/16 = 0.0625$

Solution: 0.6 is between  $0.5 + 0 + 0$  and  $0.5 + 0 + 0.125$ .

The nearest is  $0.5 + 0 + 0.125 = 1.01x2^{-1}$ .

**Question 8.** [5 MARKS]

Let  $f : R \rightarrow R$  be defined by  $f(x) = 1 - x$ .

**Part (a)** [2 MARKS]

What is the condition number of  $f$ ?

Solution:  $|(f(x') - f(x))/f(x)| / |(x' - x)/x| = |x/(1 - x)|$

**Part (b)** [3 MARKS]

How is your answer to part (a) related to catastrophic cancellation?

Solution: For  $x$  near 1, the condition number is large so error in  $x$  will be amplified by  $f$ . This is also explained by catastrophic cancellation: for  $x$  near 1,  $f(x)$  is the difference between two close numbers.

**Question 9.** [7 MARKS]

Formally prove, using the proof structures discussed in class, that for all positive real numbers  $c$  and all real numbers  $x$ , if  $0 < \text{rel}(1/c, x) < 1$  then  $\text{rel}(1/c, 2x - cx^2) < \text{rel}(1/c, x)$ .

(Recall that  $\text{rel}(x, x')$  is the relative error when approximating  $x$  by  $x'$ ).

Solution: Let  $c$  be an arbitrary positive real number and let  $x$  be an arbitrary real number. The relative error when using  $x$  as an approximation for  $1/c$  is  $|(x - 1/c)/(1/c)| = |cx - 1|$ .

Suppose that  $0 < |cx - 1| < 1$ .

Then the relative error when using  $2x - cx^2$  as an approximation for  $1/c$  is  $|(2x - cx^2 - 1/c)/(1/c)| = |2cx - (cx)^2 - 1| = |(cx)^2 - 2cx + 1| = |(cx - 1)^2| = |cx - 1| \cdot |cx - 1| < |cx - 1|$ , since  $0 < |cx - 1| < 1$ .

Hence, for all positive real numbers  $c$ , if the relative error when using  $x$  as an approximation for  $1/c$  is larger than 0, but smaller than 1, then the relative error when using  $2x - cx^2$  as an approximation for  $1/c$  is strictly smaller.

Total Marks = 62