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## University Examinations 2013/2014

STAGE II, EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

### DIT 0202: INTRODUCTION TO PROGRAMMING & ALGORITHMS

DATE: APRIL 2014

TIME: 1½ HOURS

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

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#### QUESTION ONE - (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms as used in programming
- i. Variable (2 marks)
  - ii. Programming (2 marks)
  - iii. Control structure (2 marks)
- b) (i) Write a C program to accept two numbers input by the user and checks whether they are odd or even numbers. (4 marks)
- (ii) Draw a flowchart to represent the logic of the program in b (i) above. (3 marks)
- c) (i) State four benefits of modularity. (2 marks)
- (ii) State four advantages of high level languages. (2 marks)
- d) State two difference between compilers and interpreters. (4 marks)
- e) Describe two types of algorithms. (4 marks)
- f) State and explain two ways that can be used to develop functions in C programs. (5 marks)

#### QUESTION TWO – (15 MARKS)

- a) Define documentation and describe two types of documentation. (5 marks)

- b) Distinguish between the following terms: (4 marks)
- i. While loop and do while loop
  - ii. Local variable and Global variable
- c) Describe and with the aid of flowchart, illustrate the execution of IF---statement and IF---else statement. (6 marks)

**QUESTION THREE – (15 MARKS)**

- a) Describe three types of operators used in C programming. (6 marks)
- b) (i) Write a C program to find the area of a rectangle and output the result (3 marks)  
(ii) Draw a flowchart to represent the logic of the program in b(i) above. (3 marks)
- c) Describe two properties of functions. (3 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)**

- a) Using each of the loop statements given below, Write a C program that will automatically generate numbers 65 to 75 and displays them on the screen. (10 marks)
- i. For ...loop
  - ii. While ...loop
- b) The program below computes area of a circle, given the dimensions, identify the four errors in the program below; (2 marks)

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#includes<stdio.h>

Main ()

{

Int radius, pie 3.142

Printf(“Enter radius:”);

Scan(“%f”,&radius: “)

Return 0;
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- c) Using a function write a C program to divide two numbers. (3 marks)