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**FOR THE DEGREE OF
(COMPUTER SCIENCE)**

COURSE CODE: CSC 464E

COURSE TITLE: EXPERT SYSTEMS

DATE: 19/05/2022

TIME: 02.00 P.M – 04.00 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS
QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) [30 MARKS]**

- a) i. Describe the main parts of an expert system. [2 marks]
 ii. Show how the parts in (a) (i) above interact with one another. [2 marks]
- b) Outline two problems that make natural language processing difficult and cause different techniques to be used than those associated with the construction of compilers. [2 marks]
- c) Using two brief examples of knowledge representation, explain how knowledge may be represented in the knowledge base. [4 marks]
- d) What is the role of a knowledge engineer? [2 marks]
- e) Describe how expert systems perform inference. [2 marks]
- f) Discuss three parameters of classifying Speech Recognition Systems [3 marks]
- g) What is the main difference between conventional computer programs and production systems (rule-based systems)? [3 marks]
- h) What is a real-time Expert System? [2 marks]
- i) Describe any two advantages and two disadvantages of an expert system. [4 marks]
- j) List the types of knowledge that constitute expertise. [4 marks]

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) Explain the common use of natural language generation technology [3 marks]
- b) What are the major difficulties in developing these systems? [3 marks]
- c) Outline four uses of natural language generation technique [4 marks]
- d) Discuss speech recognition and understanding. Why is it useful? [6 marks]
- e) The groups of sentences below illustrate different issues faced by language processors.
1. The old man the boats.
 2. Cats play with string.
* Cat play with string.
 3. I saw the racing pigeons flying to Paris.

I saw the Eiffel Tower flying to Paris.

4. The boy kicked the ball under the tree.

The boy kicked the wall under the tree.

- i. What kind of mistakes might Expert System make and why? [2 marks]
- ii. Why is it easier to correct mistakes in ES than in conventional programs? [2 marks]

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- a) What types of knowledge are used by neural networks and by rule-based systems? What kinds of systems are they with respect to the type of knowledge they use? [3 marks]
- b) Describe generic categories of Expert System applications. [4 marks]
- c) Why is MYCIN considered important in the development of expert systems. How did it lead to EMYCIN? [4 marks]
- d) Describe the phases of designing an expert system? What term is used to call the whole process? [3 marks]
- e) Briefly explain the following image processing
 - i) Low level processing [2 marks]
 - ii) Medium level image processing [2 marks]
 - iii) High level image processing [2 marks]

QUESTIONFOUR [20 MARKS]

- a) i. Describe an inference engine. [3 marks]
- ii. What is meant by rule-based, backward chaining and confidence factors? [2 marks]
- b) Describe some of the limitations of ES. [5 marks]
- c) Describe the success factors of ES. [3 marks]
- d) i. Why was a production system model used to implement the first rule-based expert systems? [4 marks]
- ii. What is semantic analysis in natural language processing? [3 marks]

QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

- a) What is an Expert Systems? [3 marks]
- b) What is the main purpose of Expert Systems? [3 marks]
- c) i. What is a knowledge base? [2 marks]
ii. How a knowledge base generated? [2 marks]
- d) Discuss three applications of backward chaining in a rule-based expert system [3 marks]

- e) State and explain the role of participants in expert system development [4 marks]

- f) Outline the components of a rule-based generator [6 marks]