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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

COMP 420: COMPUTER GRAPHICS

STREAMS: BSC (COMPUTER SCIENCE) Y4S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 07/12/2018

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Attempt question ONE in section A and any other two questions in section B**

SECTION A (30 MARKS)-COMPULSORY

QUESTION ONE

- a) Using examples, discuss the following transformations: **[6 marks]**
- Reflection
 - Shear mapping
- b) Define the following terms: **[8 marks]**
- Computer graphic.
 - Scalar.
 - Point.
 - Line.
- c) List FOUR input devices of multimedia. **[4 marks]**
- d) Briefly explain the term scan conversion. **[2 marks]**
- e) Define refresh frame buffer. **[2 marks]**
- f) Define the term aliasing and how to prevent it. **[4 marks]**

- g) Differentiate between lossy and lossless compression algorithms. **[4 marks]**

SECTION B: ATTEMPT ANY TWO QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between a local illumination model and global illumination model **[4 marks]**
- b) Draw a line using the digital Differential analyzer line drawing algorithm starting at point (4,4) and ends at point (12,10) **[8 marks]**
- c) Discuss the Cohen- Sutherland line clipping algorithm. **[8 marks]**

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the main functions used in OpenGL. **[8 marks]**
- b) Explain the meaning of the term parallel projection and explain where it is most applicable. **[6 marks]**
- c) Find the angle between vectors (3, 7) and (-4, 5). **[6 marks]**

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between diffuse reflection and specular reflection. **[4 marks]**
- b) i) Derive the following Rotation Identity Matrix: **[4 marks]**
- $$x' = x \cos (\theta) - y \sin (\theta)$$
- $$y' = x \sin (\theta) + y \cos (\theta)$$
- ii) Find the transformed point, P', caused by rotating P= (3, 2) about the origin Through an angle of 90°. **[4 marks]**
- c) Using a suitable diagram briefly explain the various components and their functions in a CRT. **[8 marks]**

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following surface detection methods: **[8 marks]**
- Z-Buffer Method
 - Binary Space Partitioning(BSP) Tree Method

- b)** Draw a circle centered at point (5,5) and has a radius of 6 units using the polar coordinates method **[6 Marks]**
- c)** Assuming that a certain full-color (24 bit per pixel) RGB raster system has a 512 by 512 frame buffer, how many distinct color choices (intensity levels) would be available? **[6 marks]**
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