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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DIPLOMA IN  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

COSC 0274: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

STREAMS: DIP. COMP. SCI (Y2S2)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 29/03/2021

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question **ONE** and **TWO** other questions
- Do not write anything on the question paper
- This is a **closed book exam**, No reference materials are allowed in the examination room
- There will be **NO** use of mobile phones or any other unauthorized materials
- Write your answers legibly and use your time wisely.
- Marks are awarded for clear and concise answers.

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a. You are working for a cloud computing service provider and have been sent to explain to a client why they should adopt cloud computing. Discuss **THREE** main areas in which the client will experience the gains of cloud computing technology. (6 marks)
- b. Define the term Artificial Intelligence and explain **TWO** importance of using artificial intelligence. (4 marks)
- c. State and explain any **THREE** cloud computing challenges. (6 marks)
- d. Block chain has the potential for revolutionizing business networks, briefly discuss each of the following key concepts of a block chain. (6 marks)
  - i. Shared Ledger
  - ii. Smart Contract
  - iii. Consensus
- e. State three advantages of using smart phones. (3 marks)
- f. Define the term data mining and explain how it works. (5 marks)

**SECTION B (ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS)**

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a. While providing examples in each, state and explain THREE cloud computing models (6 marks)
- b. State and explain FOUR benefits of clouding computing. (8 marks)
- c. List any THREE cloud computing providers today together with the service or product they provide (6 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a. Giving examples, state and explain TWO types of block chains (8 marks)
- b. Define the following terms in cyber security: (6 marks)
  - i. Botnet
  - ii. Phishing
  - iii. Spamming
- c. Block chain is the underlying foundation for the Bitcoin cryptocurrency. State and explain THREE advantages of Bitcoin over current transaction systems (6 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a. Discuss the framework of four common communication models used by IoT devices. (8 marks)
- b. List and explain any FOUR types of cyber-attacks. (8 marks)
- c. List any two applications of IoT in the world today. (2 marks)
- d. Explain TWO areas in which artificial Intelligence is being applied in the society today. (2 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a. State and explain FOUR areas in which data mining is being used in the society. (8 marks)
  - b. Explain FOUR facts that shows importance of data mining in the world. (8 marks)
  - c. List any FOUR certifications a computer science student can pursue towards becoming a professional in cybersecurity (4 marks)
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