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

ACMP 491: CONTEMPORARY TOPICS IN APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE

STREAMS: BSC (APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 13/12/2018

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer question one and any other two**

Question one : 30 marks

- a) “Many organizations everywhere are trying to leverage on cloud computing”.
What is your take on this statement?
(4 marks)
- b) Explain the following terms in relation to Big data :
 - i) Velocity (2 marks)
 - ii) Volume (2 marks)
 - iii) Variety (2marks)
- c) Discuss two main Data compression techniques in cloud computing
(6 marks)
- d) Explain the three Cs of IoT (4 marks)
- e) Discuss Big data challenges to information security and privacy by giving appropriate examples.
(6 marks)
- f) Blockchain has drawn attention as the next-generation financial technology due to its Security that suits the informatization era. Justify the statement and also explain its challenges with appropriate examples.
(4 marks)

Question two: 20 marks

- a) Discuss some of the major obstacles blocking the implementation of IoT particularly in the developing countries (6 marks)
- b) How has Technological Standardization so far affecting IoT (5 marks)
- c) Discuss the characteristics of cloud computing in detail (4 marks)
- d) Define the term IoT. Elaborate areas where its being applied (5 marks)

Question three: 20 marks

- a) Many problems with current security authentication systems gave a chance for the implementation and use of the Biometric technology.
 - i) Explain the problems that were facing the traditional security systems (5 marks)
 - ii) Discuss advantages of biometric technology over the traditional security systems (5 marks)
- b) Discuss Minutiae based fingerprint Matching algorithm as used in biometrics (10 marks)

Question four: 20 marks

- a) There are number of security and privacy risks associated with cloud computing. Discuss at least five of them and explain how each must be adequately addressed.(10 marks)
- b) Discuss the role and the contents of Trusted Computer System Evaluation Criteria document in relation to computer security. (5 marks)
- c) Why is data compression so vital in big data? (5 marks)

Question five: 20 marks

- a) Explain the Top three steps to ensure security in big data environments (9 marks)
- b) What is data munging? explain its purpose (3 marks)
- c) Discuss the following cloud security controls;
 - a) Deterrent controls (2 marks)

- b) Preventive controls (2 marks)
 - c) Detective controls (2 marks)
 - d) Corrective controls (2 marks)
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