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TWO HOURS

To be completed by the candidate

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1) (a) State the four categories of Artificial Intelligence.

(04 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

- Thinking humanly
- Thinking rationally
- Acting humanly
- Acting rationally

(b) Briefly describe the Turing Test.

(04 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

A human judge engages in a natural language conversation with one human and one machine, each of which tries to appear human. All participants are placed in isolated locations. If the judge cannot reliably tell the machine from the human, the machine is said to have passed the test.

(c) State to which category of AI does the “Turing Test” fall into.

(01 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Acting humanly

(d) State the two paradigms/approaches of Artificial Intelligence.

(02 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Symbolic AI
Connectionist AI

(e) Compare and contrast the following two paradigms/approaches of Artificial Intelligence.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX		
	Connectionist AI	Symbolic AI
Search	Parallel relaxation	State space traversal
Knowledge representation	Very large number of real valued connections Structures stored as distributed patterns of activation	Predicate logic Semantic networks Frames scripts
Learning	Back propagation Boltzmann machines Reinforcement learning Unsupervised learning	Micro operators Version spaces Explanation based learning discovery

(f) Briefly describe the concept of Weak AI and the concept of Strong AI.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX
<p>Weak AI: The weak AI hypothesis states that a machine running a program is at most only capable of simulating real human behaviour and consciousness.</p> <p>Strong AI: Strong AI, on the other hand, states that the correctly written program running on a machine actually is a mind -- that is, there is no essential difference between a (yet to be written) piece of software exactly emulating the actions of the brain, and the actions of a human being, including their understanding and consciousness.</p>

(g) State the three main arguments against Weak AI.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Argument from disability • Argument from mathematics • Argument from informality

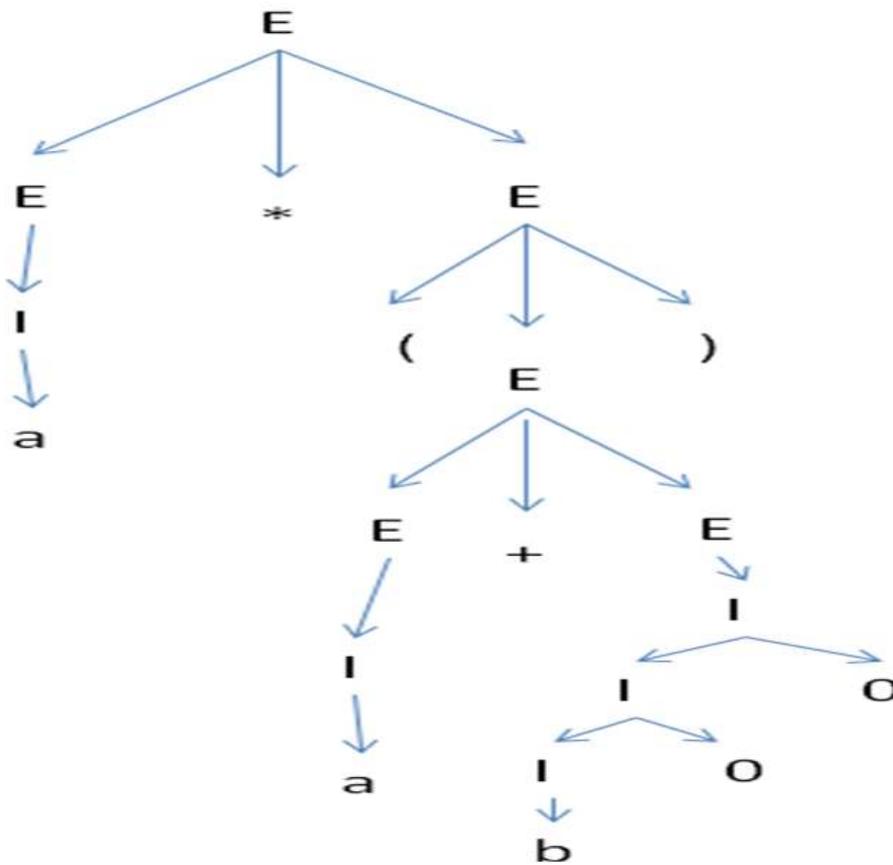
(h) Consider the grammar stated formally as $G = (\{E, I\}, T, P, E)$, where, T is the set of symbols $\{+, *, (,), a, b, 0, 1\}$ and P is the set of productions stated below.

- $E \longrightarrow I$
- $E \longrightarrow E + E$
- $E \longrightarrow E * E$
- $E \longrightarrow (E)$
- $I \longrightarrow a$
- $I \longrightarrow b$
- $I \longrightarrow Ia$
- $I \longrightarrow Ib$
- $I \longrightarrow I0$
- $I \longrightarrow I1$

Derive a parse tree for the string $a*(a+b00)$.

(05 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX



- 2) (a) Represent the following statements in Prolog.
- (i) Nimal owns a car.
 - (ii) X is rich if he/she owns a car.
 - (iii) X is the daughter of Y if X is female and Y is a parent of X.

(05 marks)

<u>ANSWER IN THIS BOX</u>
(i) owns(nimal, car).
(ii) rich(X) :- owns(X,Y), car(Y).
(iii) daughter(X,Y) :- female(X), parent(Y,X).

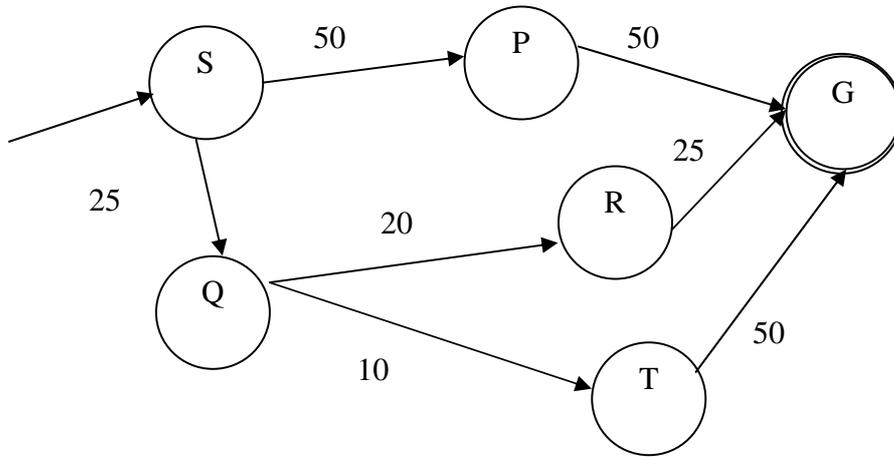
- (b) Which of the following are syntactically correct Prolog objects? State whether they are *an atom*, *a number*, *a variable* or *a structure*.

- (i) `_x44`
- (ii) `'Test_Data'`
- (iii) `two(Nice (Girls))`
- (iv) `persondata(name(kamal, perera), date(28, june, 1983))`

(04 marks)

<u>ANSWER IN THIS BOX</u>
(i) a variable
(ii) an atom
(iii) Syntax error
(iv) a structure

(c) Consider the following search space where we want to find a path from start state (S) to goal state (G). According to Uniform Cost Search, what is the solution path? Clearly write down the sequence of node expansion.



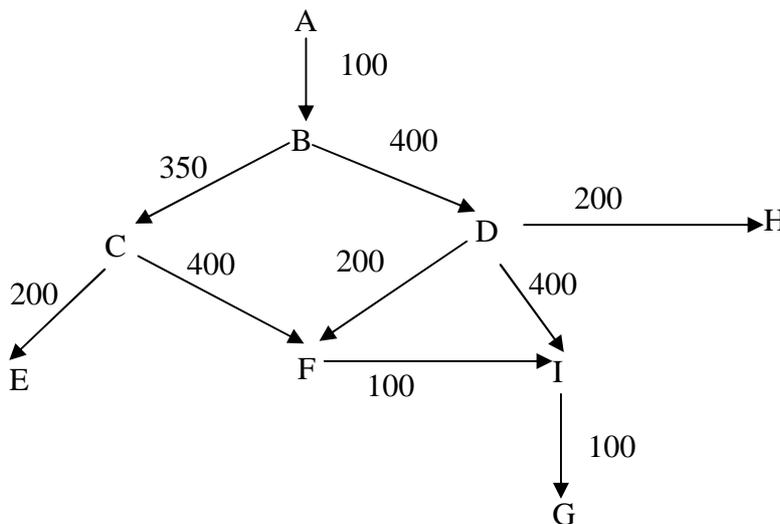
(06 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Solution Path: S, Q, R, G

Sequence of nodes expanded: S, Q, T, R, P, G

(d) Consider the flowing graph which shows the distances (in kilometers) between cities on a map.



Estimated cost to town G from every town is given in table 1.

Town	Estimated Cost to Town G (Unit of currency)
A	500
B	400
C	300
D	200
E	400
F	200
H	250
I	100
G	0

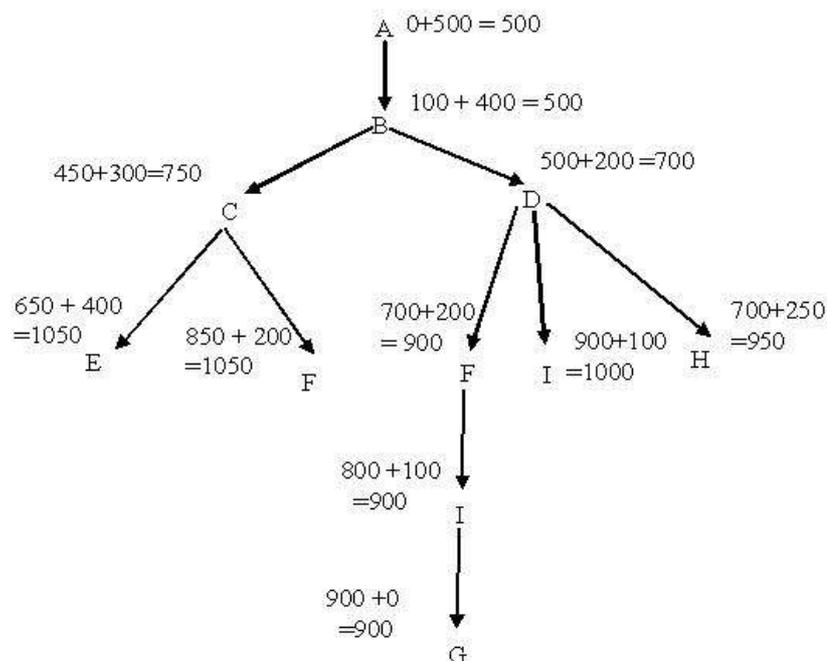
Table 1

- (i) Define a suitable cost function to perform A* Search.
- (ii) Using the A* algorithm, work out a route from A to G using the cost function defined in part (i). Clearly draw the search tree that is produced, showing the cost function at each node.
- (iii) Write down the order of node expansion.

(08 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

- (i) $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$ where $g(n)$ is the distance from the start node to node n and $h(n)$ is the estimated cost from node n to goal state .
- (ii) Route : A,B,D,F,I,G



(iii) A, B, D, C, F, I, G

(e) Explain the relationship between Uniform Cost Search algorithm and A* Search algorithm.

(02 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Uniform Cost Search (UCS) expands the node n with the lowest path cost g (n). UCS is complete and optimal, but can be very inefficient. In A* search, we combine this path cost g(n) with a heuristic h(n) (the cost to get from the node to the goal) to come up with a evaluation function f(n) i.e.; the estimated cost of the cheapest solution through n where, $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$. A* is optimal and complete given that the heuristic does not overestimate the cost to the goal.

3) (a) *“A customer enters in to a restaurant for lunch. The waiter brings the menu and the customer orders food. Waiter serves the customer and customer eats. If necessary, customer orders take-away. Customer pays the bill and exits”*

Complete the following script using the above description.

(06 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Entry Conditions	Customer hungry, customer has money
Result	Customer is not hungry, customer is satisfied, customer has less money
Props	Menu, food, money
Roles	Customer, Waiter
Scenes	Customer enters into the restaurant, waiter brings menu, customer orders food, waiter serves food, customer eats, customer pays the bill, customer exits
Track	Customer orders take-away

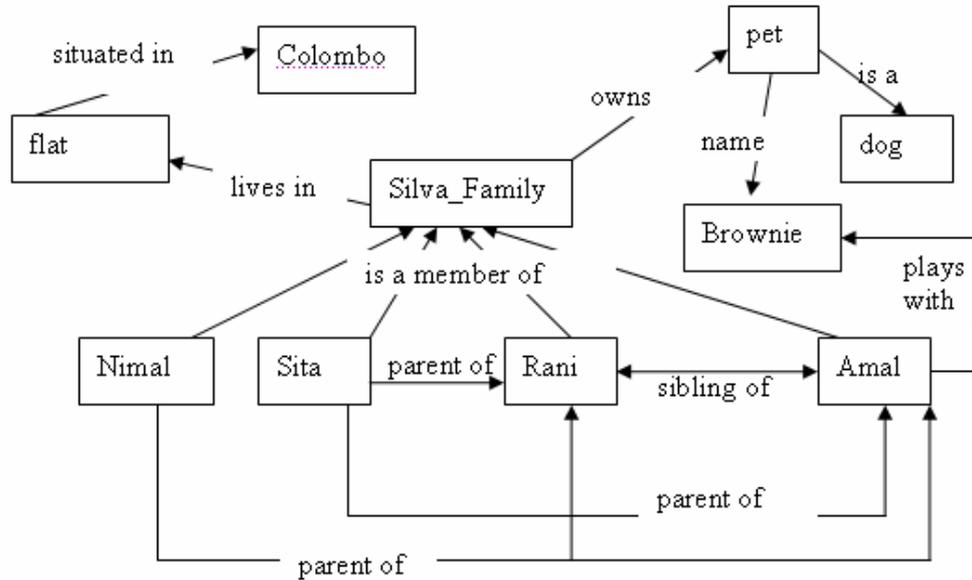
(b) State two limitations of propositional logic.

(02 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

- Cannot represent at sub-sentence level
- Cannot generalize

ANSWER IN THIS BOX



(e) Define the term “*frame*” in the context of knowledge representation.

(01 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

“Frame” is the data Structure that includes all the knowledge about a particular object.

(f) What kinds of problems are appropriate for expert systems? Give an example.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Problems which typically require human expertise to solve are appropriate for expert systems.

Example: Medical diagnosis.

(g) State three limitations of an expert system.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

- Do not learn by experience
- Cannot easily adapt to new/unusual situations
- Domain experts not always able to explain their logic and reasoning
- Errors may occur in the knowledge base, and lead to wrong decisions
- Cannot refine own knowledgebase

4) (a) List the main differences between an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) and a Human Brain.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

ANN	Human Brain
Consistent behaviour	Consistency not guaranteed
No decay of memory	Memory decay can happen
Task specific	Non-task specific

(b)

(i) Briefly explain as to what is meant by linear separability.

(02 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Linear separability refers to the property that classes of patterns with n dimensional vector

$X = (x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_n)$ can be separated with a single decision surface.

(ii) State whether the following problems are linear separable or not.

(a) Logical AND

(b) Logical OR

(c) Logical XOR

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

(a) Separable

(b) Separable

(c) Not Separable

(c) Consider the four variables p, q, r and s having values within the given ranges.

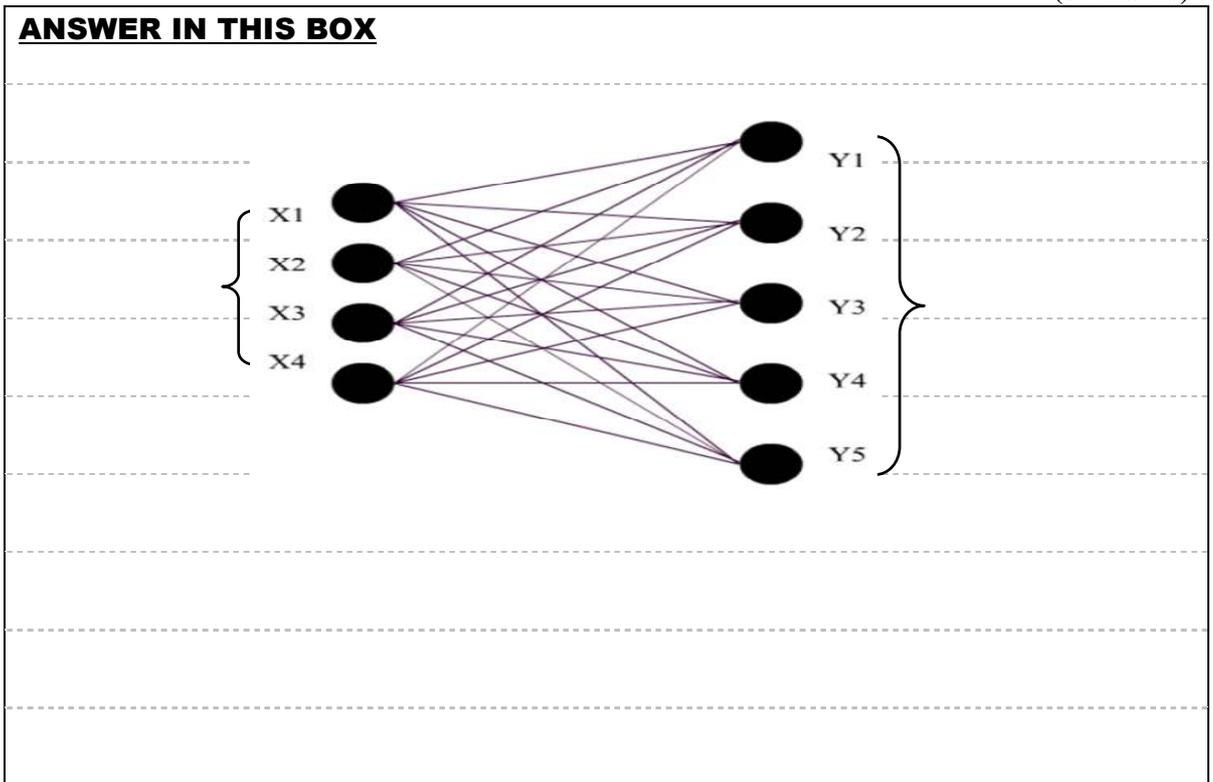
$$1.0 < p < 1.2 \quad 1.4 < q < 1.7 \quad 1.8 < r < 2.0 \quad 0.7 < s < 1.0$$

Suppose that there exist five classes C1, C2, C3, C4 and C5 which can be described as follows.

Class C1	Class C2	Class C3	Class C4	Class C5
p	q	r	s	s
q	r	s	p	r
r	s	p	q	q
s	p	q	r	p

Draw a suitable setup for a neural network if an unsupervised ANN (Self Organizing Map) is used for the classification of the classes mentioned above.

(05 marks)

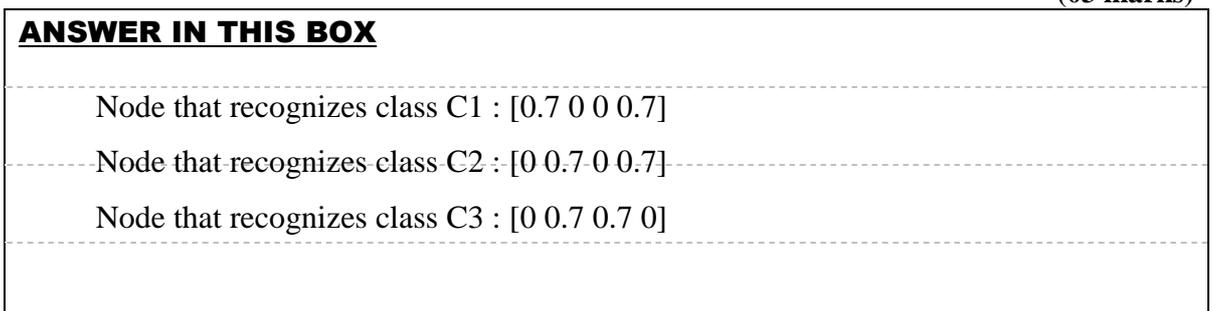


(d) An Unsupervised Neural Network (i.e. a Self Organizing Map - SOM) is perfectly trained for the following three input patterns after normalization.

(i) Determine the weight vectors for each class.

- [1 0 0 1] : class C1
- [0 1 0 1] : class C2
- [0 1 1 0] : class C3

(03 marks)



(ii) Determine as to which class patterns will the following be classified by this network.

[1 0 0 0]

(01 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

C1

(e)

(i) Suppose you are given a set of images representing characters in the English alphabet to be recognized using a supervised neural network. Briefly explain the pre processing steps which are necessary.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Make all images the same size.

Bring all images to the same colour (make them black and white)

(ii) List down a set of features which could be used to train a neural network so that it could recognize the given characters of the English alphabet.

(03 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

Height to width ratio of a character

Black pixel to white pixel ratio

(iii) Comment on the following statement.

“Inserting the whole image of the character to the neural network is much better than trying to select a specific feature and then inserting only that feature into the network”

(02 marks)

ANSWER IN THIS BOX

A feature related to character recognition could be inserted in to the network using very few input nodes whereas, if we use to insert the whole image as pixels to the network, then the network may need a large number of input nodes. Therefore, when the number of input nodes increases it will be very difficult to train the network due to the complexity of the network.
