

"Investing in Africa's Future"

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS PEACE LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

PROBLEM SOLVING TECHNIQUES: CSC 100

END OF SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS: JUNE 2018

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DURATION: 3 HOURS

# INSTRUCTIONS

Answer ALL the questions in Section A and any Three questions from Section B and each question has 25 marks. Total possible mark is 100.

Start each question on a new page on your answer sheet.

The marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of the section.

#### **SECTION A**

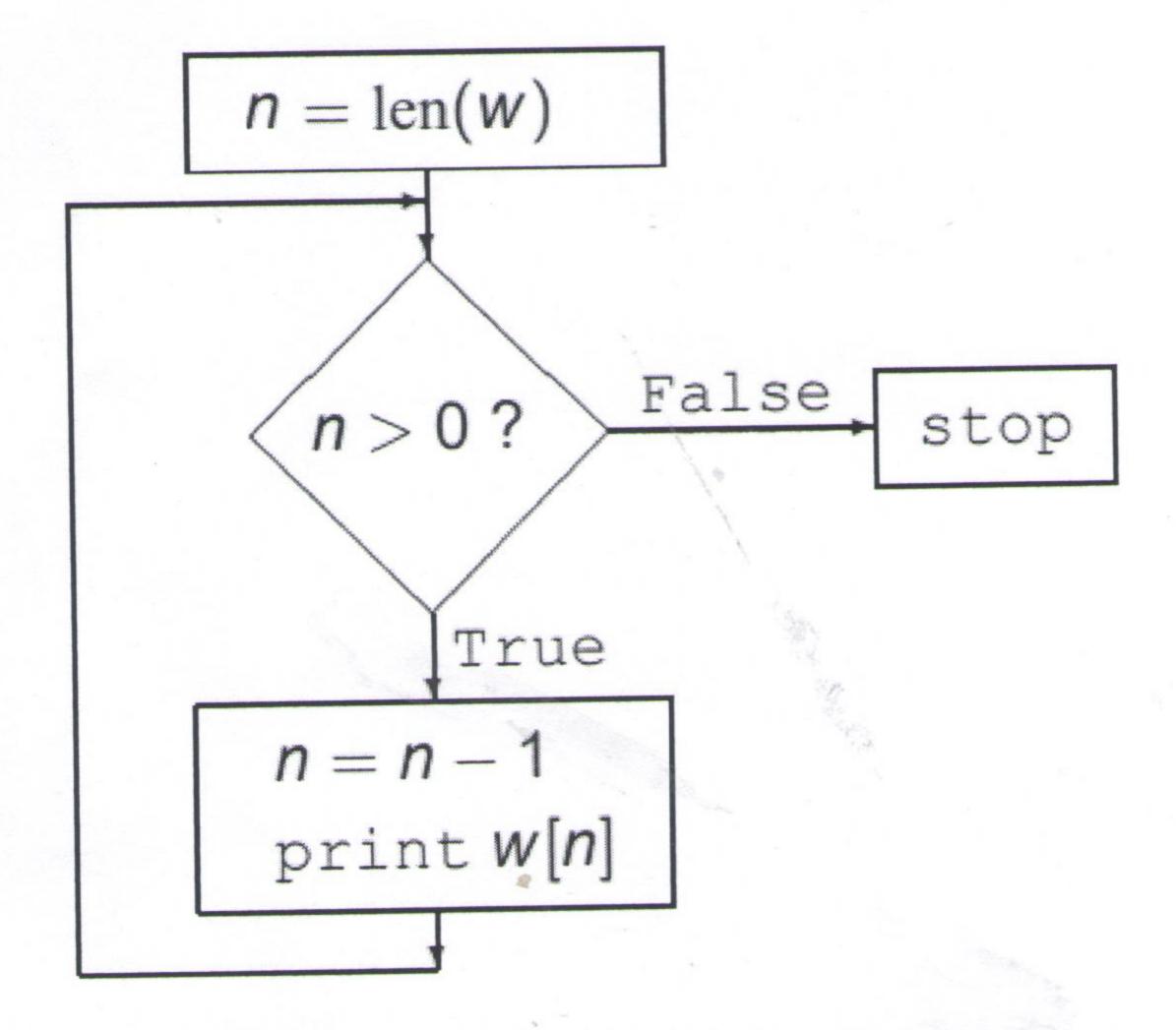
## **QUESTION ONE**

- a) In order to solve a problem by the computer, one has to pass though certain stages or steps. What are they? [10 MARKS]
- b) Draw the flowchart for the algorithm to search for the maximum in a list of unsorted numbers. [15 MARKS]

#### **SECTION B**

## **QUESTION TWO**

a) Consider the flowchart, that takes on input the word w:



- b) Explain what the algorithm defined by the flowchart does, that is: write pseudo code. [15 MARKS]
- c) Redraw the flowchart that swaps the test with the body of the loop.

[10 MARKS]

# **QUESTION THREE**

a) Describe the top down functional design for a program that takes orders in a fast food restaurant. The program should display a menu, prompt the customer to make a selection, calculate the price of the order, and then finally ask the customer to confirm the order. [25] MARKS]

### **QUESTION FOUR**

[10 MARKS] a) Discuss the importance of algorithms in the problem-solving process. [5 MARKS] b) Identify the necessary properties of good algorithms. c) Write a pseudo code to perform the basic arithmetic operations.

Read n1, n2

[10 MARKS]

Sum = n1 + n2Diff = n1 - n2Mult = n1 \* n2Quot = n1/n2Print sum, diff, mult, quot End.

### **QUESTION FIVE**

Write an algorithm and draw a flowchart to find out the biggest of the three-unequal positive [10 MARKS] numbers.

ABC company plans to give a 6% year-end bonus to each of its employees earning \$6000 or [15 MARKS] more per month, and a fixed \$250 bonus to the remaining employees. Draw a flowchart for calculating the bonus for an employee

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