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PRINCIPLES OF PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

(Computer Science and Engineering)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 75

**Note:** This question paper contains two parts A and B.  
Part A is compulsory which carries 25 marks. Answer all questions in Part A. Part B consists of 5 Units. Answer any one full question from each unit. Each question carries 10 marks and may have a, b, c as sub questions.

**PART - A (25 Marks)**

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| 1.a) | Define syntax and semantics.                               | [2] |
| b)   | Define derivation and a parse tree.                        | [3] |
| c)   | What is the problem with case sensitive names?             | [2] |
| d)   | What is a variable? What are the attributes of a variable? | [3] |
| e)   | What is a Co-routine? Explain.                             | [2] |
| f)   | Explain the scope and life time of a variable.             | [3] |
| g)   | What is message passing? Explain.                          | [2] |
| h)   | What advantages do monitors have over semaphores?          | [3] |
| i)   | What are the data types supported in Python?               | [2] |
| j)   | Differentiate between procedural and data abstraction.     | [3] |

**PART - B (50 Marks)**

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| 2.a) | In what fundamental way do operational semantics and denotational semantics differ? |       |
| b)   | Explain with an example how operator associativity can be incorporated in grammars. | [5+5] |

**OR**

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| 3.a) | What are the three general methods of implementing a programming language?                    |       |
| b)   | The levels of acceptance of any language depend on the language description. Comment on this. | [5+5] |

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| 4.a) | Explain the differences between subtypes and derived types.     |       |
| b)   | What are the design issues for character string types? Discuss. | [5+5] |

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| 5.a) | Describe the process of Array initialization.                 |       |
| b)   | Explain the problems associated with Unconditional Branching. | [5+5] |

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| 6.a) | Explain the design issues that are involved in functions.          |       |
| b)   | What are the advantages and disadvantages of dynamic type binding? | [5+5] |

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| 7.a) | Explain how subprogram names are passed as parameters. Illustrate with examples. |       |
| b)   | Explain how subprogram is overloaded? Give examples.                             | [5+5] |

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| 8.a) | Explain in brief about Exception handling in Ada. |       |
| b)   | Discuss Terms and Goal statements in Prolog.      | [5+5] |

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| 9.a) | What is a semaphore? What are the operations on semaphores? |       |
| b)   | Write short notes on C# threads.                            | [5+5] |

- 10.a) Explain the Basic primitives of LISP. Give suitable examples.  
b) Discuss the applications of functional languages.

**OR**

- 11.a) Explain the differences between Imperative and functional languages.  
b) Write a detail note on functions in ML.

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