## Faculty of Science Final Examination

# Computer Science COMP-102A Computers and Computing

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### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

This examination is worth 40% of your final grade. The total of all questions is 105 points. Each question is assigned a value found in brackets next to it. <u>OPEN•BOOKS •/• OPEN•NOTES</u> Faculty standard calculator permitted only. This examination consists of 4 pages including title page. This examination consists of 12 questions.

# Suggestion : read all the questions and their values before you start.



1) Explain why the 3 following tic-tac-toe configurations are qualified as terminal :



For each of the 3 configurations above say whether their **utilities** are -1,0,1 and explain why.



2) Explain whether the map of the USA is



1-colorable ? 2-colorable ? bonus 3-colorable ? 4-colorable ?





3) Remember this quote from Seymour Cray used by prof. Kry :

"If you were plowing a field, which would you rather use: Two strong oxen or 1024 chickens?"

Explain what this quote has to do with computer science !

- 4) Explain the 3 different types of **mutations** and provide an example for each.
- 5) Explain what are effectors and actuators and provide an example of each.
- 6) Explain why the citation network is an example of a "conceptual network".



7) Consider the following graph and provide its adjacency matrix.





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8) Rewrite the following function using recursion instead of iteration :

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function exp(n){
    m=1;
    for (var i=1; i<=n; i++){ m=2*m };
    return( m )
    }
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```



9) Explain why current identification systems based on entering a PIN code to authorize monetary operations is not very secure...

### 10) Consider the following circuit :



If the input to the top row is 1000 and the input to the second row is 1101, then what is the output at the bottom of the circuit ?

11) Explain the four generations of computer, say when they happened in time and explicit their characteristics.

12) Provide a set of tiles that constitute a YES instance of the Post correspondence problem, and provide a set of tiles that constitute a NO instance of the Post correspondence problem. Justify your answers.



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