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Multi-Agent Systems (CS619) & (IS610) Dr. Ammar Mohammed Ammar Duration: 3 Hours

(Form A)

Note: This is 4 pages Exam consisting of Five Questions.

Answer the following question

Question 1:

[20 Marks]

Choose the suitable answer

- 1. The most important feature of agency is
 - a. Autonomy
 - b. Reactivity

 - c. Learning. d. Social ability.
- 2. Classifying emails into Spam or Ham is an application of
 - a. Supervised learning
 - b. Reinforcement learning
 - c. Unsupervised learning.
 - d. None of the above
- 3. is a graphical modeling language which can be used to design Multi-agent systems.
 - a. Goal.
 - b. STRIPS.
 - c. AUML.
 - d. KQML.
- 4. The agent which decides what to do with no-reference to its previous run is called......
 - a. Intelligent Agent.
 - b. Purely reactive Agent,
 - c. decision maker agent.
 - d. Knowledge base agent.
- 5. In contract Net protocol, the agent that responsible to check "if a bid is accepted " is called
 - a. Initiator,
 - b. Contractor,
 - c. Manager.
 - d. Server Agent.

- 6. Self interested Agent may communicate with other agent a. True. b. False. 7. In each bidder submits one bid without knowing the others' bids. The highest bidder wins, but with the price of the second highest bid. a. English auction b. Dutch auction c. Vickrey auction
- 8. The performative is suitable for the action "bring the coffee for me"
 - a. Request b. Subscribe

d. First price sealed price auction.

- c. CFP
- d. Propose
- 9. A domain dependent language,, is used to express the content of messages in Agent Communication language.
 - a. FIPA.
 - b. KQML.
 - c. KIF.
 - d. none.
- 10. Generating the set of possible actions that an agent can perform is called
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 - b. Means-end-Reasoning.
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Question 2: [25 Marks]

I. The following pseudo-code defines a control loop for a practical reasoning ("BDI") agent.

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Agent Control Loop
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2. I := Io;
3. while true do
       get next precept p
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With reference to this pseudo-code, explain briefly the purpose/role of the following components:

a. The variables B, D, and I. (3 marks)
b. The brf (...) function. (4 marks)
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II. Assume there is an agent welling to sell some product, from your point of view, which Auction Strategy may reward the agent the best price? Show your argument. (10 marks)

Question 4: [20 Marks]

In a particular building, a delivery robot has a goal to pick up and to bring a box which is located at storage. The building consists of several rooms separated by doors. There is a key to unlock these doors. Initially the Key is located at the mailbox. The robot can move from room to room, unlock doors using keys, pick up and put down key or the box.

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- Using the previous Ontology and the GOAL program, Write the specification of the following actions using STRIPS:
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