

PART C EXAMINATIONS

MINI PROJECTS - MICHAELMAS TERM 2020

NOTICE TO CANDIDATES

Full particulars of the examinations are given in the [Examination Regulations 2020](#), and the Examination Conventions for 2020/21 will be found at <http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/teaching/examinations/>.

1. Written Examinations

The following courses will be assessed by an online open-book examination that will take place in Trinity Term 2021. You will have 3 hours to complete the papers, and extra 60 minutes of technical time to download the exam and upload the response.

- Bayesian Statistical Probabilistic Programming
- Computational Game Theory
- Probabilistic Model Checking

2. Submitted Mini-project(s)

Release Date

The mini-projects (take-home assignments) for these courses may be downloaded from WebLearn from **12.00 noon on Friday of Week 8, Michaelmas Term (4th December)**.

- Automata Logic and Games
- Categories Proofs & Processes
- Concurrent Algorithms and Data Structures
- Quantum Processes and Computation

Submitting a mini-project

Mini-projects must be submitted online through WebLearn.

Please note that your candidate number should be the only means of identification of your work. Please ensure that you include your candidate number on the front page of each mini-project submitted. **DO NOT include your name or Student Number.** You can obtain your candidate number through Student Self Service (for guidance on using the Student Self Service, please visit: <http://www.ox.ac.uk/students/selfservice/>). Should you encounter any problems doing this then please contact a member of the academic admin team.

Submission Date

12.00 noon on Monday 4th January 2021

Guidelines for mini-projects

Please refer to [Appendix A](#).

3. Practicals

You will be required to submit your practical work for all your courses in one bundle in Trinity Term. Details of the submission date and time will follow in Hilary Term.

Please do not submit the practical work from your Michaelmas Term courses with your mini-projects, **but please do keep the work in a safe place until required for submission.**

Please remember that you need to obtain an overall pass in your practicals to be able to pass Part C. See the [Course Handbook](#) for details.

4. Late submission or failure to submit coursework

Under the provisions permitted by the regulations, late submission of coursework (i.e. mini-projects) where there are no extenuating circumstances may result in the following penalties:

| Lateness | Cumulative penalty |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| Up to 15 minutes | 1 mark |
| 15 minutes - 4 hours | 10 marks |
| 4 - 24 hours | 15 marks |
| 24 – 48 hours | 20 marks |
| 48 – 72 hours | 30 marks |
| 72 – 96 hours | 40 marks |
| 96 – 101 hours | 50 marks |

The Proctors may also impose a late presentation fee on candidates for late submission of coursework. Failure to submit a required element of assessment will result in the failure of the whole of Part C. Where permission for late submission has been granted by the Proctors, no penalty will be imposed.

5. Results

Subject to University approval, we intend to release provisional marks for Michaelmas Term assignments subsequent to the examiners' meeting in Week 3 of Hilary Term 2021. Further details will follow.

6. Problems

You **MUST NOT** contact any member of the Examination Board, your supervisor, or lecturer in charge of the course with any queries about the mini-project. Please address any such queries to a member of the academic admin team (academic.administrator@cs.ox.ac.uk), who will advise you of the next steps. You must do so no later than **12 noon on Wednesday 16th December 2020.**

For questions about your exams in general, please feel free to contact any member of the academic administration team.

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Appendix A

A mini-project will normally take the form of a tutorial sheet containing several questions on the course, and will also contain new exercises. While you are free to work until the submission date, the expectation is that you will spend between three and four days per mini-project, including preparatory reading.

1. If you plan to complete your mini-projects away from Oxford, make sure that you have access to adequate computing resources, including email.

Please note that some of your mini-projects have page limits, as set out in your student handbook. If there is no page limit, you should aim at writing about 10 pages. For any mini-projects which are submitted on paper (which does not apply to any courses taught in Michaelmas Term, but might apply to some courses later in the academic year), use one side of the paper only, and use standard A4. If you write by hand, write legibly. Illegible scripts will be transcribed at your cost, as laid out in the [examination regulations](#).

2. If you think you will have trouble with completing all the mini-projects you planned to do, and want to drop one of them, discuss this with your college tutor. If you do decide to drop a mini-project, make sure you advise Jo Ponting and the tutor of the relevant class **before 30th November**. The same applies if you change your mind about which mini-projects you want to take, or if you want to complete an additional one.
3. When submitting your mini-projects as a paper copy, you will have to complete a Declaration Form attesting that they are your own work, except where indicated. For assessed work submitted online, the declaration will be an on-screen form. Failure to correctly acknowledge your sources is plagiarism, which is treated as a very serious disciplinary offence. Please consult the [University website regarding plagiarism](#), and the detailed guidance on plagiarism in your [student handbook](#).

YOU SHOULD NOT show your mini-project to, or discuss it with, any other student.
YOU SHOULD NOT ask or seek to look at anybody else's work.

Please note that where mini-projects are set for candidates studying a different degree programme the material covered in the mini-project may be similar but may not be identical.

If you use material from any other source such as textbooks, lecture notes or the web, then you should reference it explicitly at the relevant point. For guidance on proper referencing see the resources below, and discuss with your tutor.

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/academic/guidance/skills>

<http://www.cs.ox.ac.uk/files/3161/Referencing.pdf>

It would also be beneficial to take the [online course on WebLearn](#), which provides an overview of plagiarism and the issues surrounding it.