

COMPUTER SCIENCE TRIPOS Part IB – 2012 – Paper 6

3 Computation Theory (AMP)

- (a) Define what is a *Turing machine* and a *Turing machine computation*. [7 marks]
- (b) What is meant by a *partial function* from \mathbb{N}^n to \mathbb{N} ? Define what it means for such a partial function to be *Turing computable*. [4 marks]
- (c) Describe the *Church-Turing Thesis* and some evidence for its truth. [4 marks]
- (d) Assuming the existence of a universal *register* machine, give an example, with justification, of a partial function that is not Turing computable. [5 marks]