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Question	Max	Internal	External	Question	Max	Internal	External	
1	9			7	3			
2	8			8	8			
3	8			9	15			
4	15			10	10			
5	10							
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**Marks : 100**

**Time : 180 minutes**

**Instructions:**

- a) Answer all questions.
- b) Write your answers in the space provided.
- c) Show all calculations where applicable.

## Question 1 [9]

- a) What is the purpose of an operating system? [1]  
*manage the resources of a computer*
- b) Give 2 examples of operating systems (from different companies or communities). [2]  
*Windows XP [1], Linux [1], MacOS [1], ...*
- c) What is the purpose of random-access memory? [1]  
*store data temporarily while the computer is powered on*
- d) What is an algorithm? [1]  
*set of instructions to perform a task*
- e) List 2 reasons why algorithms must be precise. [2]  
*repeatable [1] can be executed by different people [1] predictable [1]*
- f) Briefly describe 1 advantage and 1 disadvantage of using Java bytecode, as opposed to machine code. [2]  
*ad: portability [1] disad: slower[1] more work [1]*

## Question 2 [8]

Consider the following program and answer the questions that follow.

```
import java.util.Scanner;

class Test
{
    public static void main ( String [] args )
    {
        Scanner input = new Scanner (System.in);

        int a = input.nextInt();
        int b = input.nextInt();
        int c = input.nextInt();

        int x = Math.min (Math.min (a, b), c);
        int y = Math.max (Math.max (a, b), c);

        System.out.println ((a+b)/6.0f+(b+c)/6.0f+(a+c)/6.0f);
    }
}
```

- a) What does this program do? [2]  
*calculates the average of 3 integers*
- b) What is the output if the input is the numbers 5, 3 and 7? [1]  
*5*
- c) List all methods (other than main) from the program. [1]  
*println,min,max,nextInt*
- d) Why must the main method be static? [1]  
*it is invoked by the JVM without an instance being created*
- e) Rewrite the first statement of the main method in such a way that there is a syntax error. [1]  
*Anything syntactically invalid: e.g., Scanner input new Scanner (System.in);*
- f) In the context of a debugger, what is a breakpoint? [2]

*a specified line of code at which the debugger will stop when executing the program in debugging mode*

### Question 3 [8]

- a) Briefly describe an algorithm to take a taxi or bus to town. Assume you are at the bus/taxi stop. There should be at most 6 steps. [3]

*wait for correct bus, get onto bus, pay driver, sit down, wait for stop, get off bus*

- b) Write the Java statement to input the number of taxis that pass you into the variable **N**. You may assume **N** is already declared as an int and there is already a Scanner object named **input**. [2]

*N = input.nextInt();*

- c) Write the Java statement to calculate the variable **totalTime** (in seconds) as the time you wait for **N** taxis to pass if one taxi passes every **timePerTaxi** seconds. You may assume **totalTime** and **timePerTaxi** are already declared as float variables and **N** is declared as an int. [1]

*totalTime = N \* timePerTaxi;*

- d) Write the Java statement to output “Time wasted at bus stop: ”, immediately followed by the value of the variable **totalTime**. [2]

*System.out.println (“Time wasted at bus stop: “ + totalTime);*

#### Question 4 [15]

Examine the following code and answer the questions that follow.

```
public class Driver {
    public static void main (String[] args) {
        for ( int date=0; date<10; date++ ) {
            if (date%2 == 0) {
                System.out.println(convertDate(date));
            }
        }
    }
    // convert a number to a day of the week
    public static String convertDate(int number) {
        String date = "";
        if (number == 2)
            date = "Monday";
        if (number == 3)
            date = "Tuesday";
        if (number == 4)
            date = "Wednesday";
        if (number == 5)
            date = "Thursday";
        if (number == 6)
            date = "Friday";
        if (number == 7)
            date = "Saturday";
        if (number == 8)
            date = "Sunday";
        return date;
    }
}
```

a) What is the output of this program?

[4]

*Monday*

*Wednesday*

*Friday*

*Sunday*

- b) Rewrite the `convertDate` method, converting the *if-else* statement to an equivalent *switch* statement. [4]

```
public static String convertDate(int number) {
    String date = "";
    switch (number) {
        case 2:
            date = "Monday";
            break;
        case 3:
            date = "Tuesday";
            break;
        case 4:
            date = "Wednesday";
            break;
        case 5:
            date = "Thursday";
            break;
        case 6:
            date = "Friday";
            break;
        case 7:
            date = "Saturday";
            break;
        case 8:
            date = "Sunday";
            break;
    }
    return date;
}
```

- c) What is the result of each of the following expressions? The result will be either true or false. Assume variable `week = 7`. [2]

i. `week > 6 || week == 5`

*True [1/2]*

ii. `week < 3 || week > 4`

*True [1/2]*

iii. `week > 3 && week < 0`

*False [1/2]*

iv. `week >= 5 || week < 0`

*True [1/2]*

d) Write a Java method to print out a blank grid for a working week calendar, such as:

```
+ - + - + - + - +  
|   |   |   |  
+ - + - + - + - +  
|   |   |   |  
+ - + - + - + - +
```

Your method should have the header:

```
void printGrid ( int numberOfWeeks, int numberOfWorkingDays )
```

The above pattern is produced when invoking `printGrid(2, 4)`. [5]

```
public void printGrid ( int numberOfWeeks, int numberOfWorkingDays ) {  
    String out = "+";  
    for (int j=0; j<numberOfWorkingDays; j++) {  
        out += "-+";  
    }  
    String out_mid = "\\";  
    for (int j=0; j<numberOfWorkingDays; j++) {  
        out_mid += "\\";  
    }  
    for (int i=0; i<numberOfWeeks; i++) {  
        System.out.println(out);  
        System.out.println(out_mid);  
    }  
    System.out.println(out);  
}
```

## Question 5 [10]

a) If a class called **Student** is created and one of the data fields (or instance variables) for the **Student** class is a reference to a **Date** object, what is the relationship between the **Student** object and the **Date** object? [1]

- i. The **Date** object is a **Student** object.
- ii. The **Date** object has a **Student** object.
- iii. The **Student** object is a **Date** object.
- iv. The **Student** object has a **Date** object.

*The Student object has a Date object.*

b) Write skeleton Java code to illustrate the above description (i.e., create the **Student** class and a public **Date** object such as **enrolmentDate**). [2]

```
public class Student {  
    public Date enrolmentDate = new Date();  
    /* Other code here */  
}
```

c) Write the body of the main method of a driver program to create an object of the **Student** class, called **aStudent**. [1]

```
Student aStudent = new Student();
```

d) Can **enrolmentDate** be accessed by calling **aStudent.enrolmentDate** from the driver program? Why or why not? [1]

*No. Because enrolmentDate was declared private*

e) What do you need to change in the **Student** class so that the value of **enrolmentDate** can be accessed from the driver class? List two ways and write code to illustrate your methods. Explain which one is the better way. [5]

*#1: enrolmentDate can be declared public in the Student class*

```
public Date enrolmentDate = new Date();
```

*#2: in the Student class, we can declare mutator and accessor methods to set and access value of enrolmentDate*

```
private Date enrolmentDate = new Date();
```

```
public Date getEnrolmentDate() {
```

```
    return enrolmentDate;
```

```
}
```

*#2 is a better way in terms of information hiding and data encapsulation*

## Question 6 [14]

- a) Consider the Person class below, and add constructors, accessor and mutator methods as described by the comments below:

```
public class Person
{
    private String name;
    private int age;
    private double average_weight_gain;
```

// i) Constructor with three arguments that are used to initialize the instance variables [2]

```
public Person(String n, int a, double g)
{
    name = n;
    age = a;
    average_weight_gain = g;
}
```

// ii) Accessor methods for all the instance variables [3]

```
public String getName()
{
    return name;
}
public int getAge()
{
    return age;
}
public double getGain()
{
    return average_weight_gain;
}
```

// iii) Two mutator methods with one argument each to set the *name* and *age* instance variables [2]

```

public void setName(String n)
{
    name = n;
}
public void setAge(int a)
{
    age = a;
}

```

// iv) One mutator method with an array argument that is used to calculate the  
// *average\_weight\_gain* instance variable, returning no value [3]

```

public void calculateAverageGain (double [] g)
{
    double sum = 0.0;
    int i;

    for (i=0; i < g.length; g++)
        sum = sum + g[i];
    average_weight_gain = sum / g.length;
}
}

```

- a) Consider the driver class below, and add a statements to create an object called **aPerson** of type **Person** for “Peter”, age 21, with an average monthly weight\_gain of 0.0kg, using your constructor above. Use your mutator method above to calculate the average weight gain of the person over the festive period from November to February - his weight gains were 0.1 kg, 1.2 kg, 0.5 kg and -1.2 kg. Display the name, age and average weight gain for the person using your accessor methods above. [4]

```

public class ConstructorsDemo
{
    public static void main (String args[])
    {
        Person aPerson = new Person("Peter",21,0.0);
        double [] gain ={0.1, 1.2, 0.5, -1.2};
        aPerson.calculateAverageGain(gain);
    }
}

```

```
System.out.println ("Name = " + name + aPerson.getName()+ "Age = " +  
aPerson.getAge() + "Average Weight Gain = " + aPerson.getGain());  
    }  
}
```

### Question 7 [3]

a) How can arrays be tested to check if their content is identical?

[3]

*The best way to test two arrays to see if the contents are the same is to write a method that accomplishes the task. This method would iterate through each array comparing indexed variables. If arrays are tested for equality using the == operator this only checks if it is the same array.*

### Question 8 [8]

The following set of methods sorts an array of numbers in descending order. Complete the missing methods as indicated by the comments.

```
/**
Precondition: The array has values.
Action:Sorts a so that a[0] >= a[1] >= ... >= a[a.length-1]
[4]
*/
public void selectionSort ( int[] a )
{
int indexOfLargest;
for ( int i=0; i<a.length; ++i )
{
indexOfLargest = LargestIndex (i, a);
swap (i, indexOfLargest, a);
}
}

/**
Returns the index of the largest value among
a[start], a[start + 1], ... a[a.length-1]
[4]
*/
private int LargestIndex ( int start, int[] a )
{
int max = a[start];
int indexOfMax = start;
for(int i=start + 1; i < a.length; i++)
{
if(a[i] > max)
{
max = a[i];
indexOfMax = i;
}
}
return indexOfMax;
}
```

```
/**  
Precondition: i and j are legal indices for the array a.  
Postcondition: Values of a[i] and a[j] have been  
interchanged  
*/  
private void swap ( int i, int j, int[] a )  
{  
    int temp;  
    temp = a[i];  
    a[i] = a[j];  
    a[j] = temp;  
}
```

### Question 9 [15]

- a) Match each of the following terms to the concepts below: [2]

**overriding, overloading, inheritance, composition**

*inheritance = variables and methods automatically exist in the subclasses of a base class*  
*overriding = methods in base class and subclass with same signature but different code*  
*overloading = methods in base class and subclass with same name but different signature*  
*composition = a class has an instance variable which is itself an Object [½ x 4]*

- b) Suppose that a 2-dimensional array `sales` has been declared as below.

```
int[ ][ ] sales ;
```

Give Java code to fill `sales` with 120 zeroes: there must be 100 rows each with 12 elements, and every element must be initialised to 0. [4]

```
sales = new int[100][12];  
for (int j=0; j<sales.length; j++)  
    for (int k=0; k<sales[j].length; k++)  
        sales[j][k] = 0;
```

- c) Suppose your program has changed the values in `sales` to contain monthly sales data from 100 shops. Give Java code to print monthly totals – i.e., print the sum of the values in each column of `sales`. The 12 values should appear one after the other on the same single line of output, separated by spaces. [4]

```
int sum;  
for (int j=0; j<12; j++)  
{  
    sum = 0;  
    for (int k=0; k<sales.length; k++)  
        if (j < sales[k].length) //not expected to check this tho  
            sum = sum + sales[k][j];  
    System.out.print(sum + " ");  
}  
System.out.println();
```

- d) Consider the classes below, then list the output of the `main` program. [5]

```

public class Person
{
    protected String name;
    protected String address;
    public Person( )
    {
        name = "unknown"; address = "N/A";
        System.out.println("Created unknown person");
    }
    public Person( String pname, String adr )
    {
        name = pname; address = adr;
        System.out.println("Created person");
    }
}

public class Child extends Person
{
    int age;
    public Child (String cname, String adr, int years )
    {
        super ( cname, adr );
        age = years;
        System.out.println("Created child");
    }
    public Child ( )
    {
        age = 0;
        System.out.println("Created unknown child");
    }
    public String toString( )
    {
        return (name + " ( " + address + ") aged " + age);
    }
}

public class Test
{
    public static void main ( String args[ ] )
    {
        Child ann = new Child( "ann", "UCT", 6);
        Child kiddie = new Child( );
        System.out.println( kiddie );
    }
}

```

Output from running Test is:

*Created person*

*Created child*

*Created unknown person*

*Created unknown child*

*unknown ( N/A) aged 0*

### Question 10 [10]

- a) Convert the binary number  $101010_2$  to hexadecimal. [1]

2A

- b) Convert the hexadecimal number  $CAB_{16}$  to binary. [1]

110010101011

- c) Convert  $43_{10}$  to binary (i.e., convert the decimal number 43 to base 2). Show your working. [2]

101011

- d) Convert  $3.375_{10}$  to binary (i.e., convert the decimal number 3.375 to base 2). Show your working. [3]

11.011

- e) What is the 8-bit *two's complement* binary representation of the decimal number  $-13_{10}$ ? Show your working. [3]

11110011