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**University of Cape Town ~ Department of Computer Science**  
**Computer Science 1015F ~ 2009**  
**January Exam**

Question	Max	Internal	External	Question	Max	Internal	External	
1	10			7	8			
2	10			8	7			
3	10			9	15			
4	10			10	20			
5	5							
6	5							
					<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>		

**Marks : 100**

**Time : 180 minutes**

**Instructions:**

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

**Question 1 [10]**

a) What is a computer program? [1]

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b) Are all computer programs also algorithms? Explain your answer. [1]

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c) What is the purpose of an Operating System? [1]

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d) What is the purpose of an IDE? [1]

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e) What is the difference between high-level and low-level programming languages? [2]

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f) Give 2 examples of high level languages (other than Java) and 2 examples of low level languages. [2]

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g) What is the purpose of the following hardware components: (i) CPU (ii) ROM? [2]

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**Question 2 [10]**

Consider the following program and answer the questions that follow.

```
public int action ( int number )
{
    int x=0;
    while (number>0)
    {
        x = x*10 + (number%10);
        number = number / 10;
    }
    return x;
}
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a) What does this method do? [2]

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b) What is the local variable in this method? [1]

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c) This program exploits integer division. Explain what integer division is. [2]

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d) Briefly describe an alternative solution to this problem. [2]

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e) Assume you want to use statement coverage to test the method. What value is NOT a suitable test value by itself? [1]

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f) What are 2 techniques that can be used to find errors in a program? [2]

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### Question 3 [10]

Consider the following method and answer the questions that follow.

```
public void drawShape ( int n )
{
    for ( int i=n; i>0; i-- )
    {
        for ( int j=0; j<i; j++ )
            System.out.print ( '*' );
        System.out.println ( );
    }
}
```

- a) What is the output if  $n = 2$ ? Write one character in each block and assume the top-left corner is where the output starts. [2]


- b) What is the output if  $n = 4$ ? Write one character in each block and assume the top-left corner is where the output starts. [2]




**Question 4 [10]**

Examine the following incomplete class definition and answer the questions that follow.

```
public class TwoNumbers
{
    private int one;
    private int two;

    public int getOne ()
    { return one; }
    public int getTwo ()
    { return two; }
    ...
}
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- a) Write a constructor that takes 2 integers as parameters to initialise the instance variables. [2]

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- b) Write mutators for the 2 instance variables. [4]

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c) Why are the accessors and mutators needed? [1]

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d) Write the code to create an object with the initial values [5, 8] and assign this object to the variable thePair. [1]

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e) What is overloading? [1]

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f) What is encapsulation? [1]

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### Question 5 [5]

Consider the Course class below:

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public class Course
{   String name;
    int credits;
    static int total;
    Student classrep;
    ...
    public void increaseTotal(    )
    {   total++;                }
    public void increaseCredits (    )
    {   credits++;              }
    public int getCredits(    )
    {   return credits;        }
    ...
}
```

Now consider the Java code below that uses this Course class:

```
Course cs1 = new Course( );
Course cs2 = new Course( );
...
System.out.println( cs1.credits );    // line 1
System.out.println( cs2.credits );    // line 2
System.out.println( cs1.total );      // line 3
System.out.println( cs2.total );      // line 4
cs1.increaseTotal( );
cs1.increaseCredits( );
cs2.increaseTotal( );
cs2.increaseCredits( );
System.out.println( cs1.credits );    // line 9
System.out.println( cs2.credits );    // line 10
System.out.println( cs1.total );      // line 11
System.out.println( cs2.total );      // line 12
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- a) Suppose that the output printed by line 1, line 2, line 3 and line 4 are all zeroes. What output will be printed by lines 9 to 12? [2]

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b) In the code you are shown method `getCredits()`. Now write a method `getClassrep()` that returns the `Student` stored in the `classrep` instance variable using the copy constructor of the `Student` class. [2]

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c) For what reason should we use the copy constructor in the `getClassrep()` method? [1]

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### Question 6 [5]

Write Java code to do each of the following tasks:

- a) Define a 1-dimensional array that holds the following integer values: [1]

1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

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- b) Add the first and second elements and put the result in the 3rd element; add the second and third elements and put the result in the 4th element; add the third and fourth elements and put the result in the 5th element; and so on. [2]

1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

would become

1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21

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- c) Print out every second value in the array using a loop. [2]

For example, for

1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21

you would print

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c) Explain why.

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**Question 9 [15]**

a) Convert the binary number 0101101.101 to decimal, showing your working. [2]

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b) Convert the binary number 0101101101 to hexadecimal, showing your working. [2]

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c) Convert the decimal number 25.75 to binary, showing your working. [2]

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d) Calculate  $6 - 9$  using 8-bit 2's complement binary representation, showing all your working (i.e. convert the numbers to 2's complement before adding). [2]

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d) If the input to your method was provided as a single String instead of as separate letters, explain how you could convert it into separate letters. [2]

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