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**Written Exam 1 Solutions**

This exam has 10 questions worth a total of 100 points. You have 80 minutes.

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**1. Initialization. (2 points)**

In the designated spaces on the front of this exam,

- *Write* your name.
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- *Fill in* the bubble corresponding to your precept.
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## 2. Java expressions. (12 points)

Assume that the variables `x`, `y`, and `z` have been declared and initialized as follows:

```
int x = 1;
int y = 2;
int z = 3;
```

For each Java expression on the left, write the letter of the best-matching value from the right. You may use each letter once, more than once, or not at all.

H	<code>1 + 1</code>	A. false
C	<code>y - x - 1</code>	B. true
O	<code>z / (y - 2)</code>	C. 0
N	<code>(double) z / (y - 2)</code>	D. 1
K	<code>x * x + z * z / y * y</code>	E. 1.0
F	<code>Math.sqrt(x + z + 5) / y</code>	F. 1.5
O	<code>!!!(x == y == z)</code>	G. 1.75
M	<code>Integer.parseInt(x + "" + y + "" + z)</code>	H. 2
A	<code>(y / z) &lt; (z % x)</code>	I. 2.5
		J. 6
		K. 9
		L. 10
		M. 123
		N. <i>positive infinity</i>
		O. <i>compile-time error or run-time exception</i>

**3. Programming terminology. (10 points)**

For each programming term on the left, write the letter of the best-matching description from the right. Use each letter exactly once.

<b>G</b>	API	<b>A.</b> An error that indicates an invalid Java program.
<b>F</b>	Array	<b>B.</b> An error that arises while the programming is executing.
<b>H</b>	Command-line arguments	<b>C.</b> A storage location for a data-type value.
<b>A</b>	Compile-time error	<b>D.</b> Source code representation of a data-type value.
<b>J</b>	Data type	<b>E.</b> A combination of variable names, literals, operators, and function calls that evaluates to a value.
<b>E</b>	Expression	<b>F.</b> An indexed sequence of values of the same type.
<b>D</b>	Literal	<b>G.</b> Specifies method headers and behavior of a library.
<b>B</b>	Run-time exception	<b>H.</b> Data provided to a program <i>before</i> it begins execution.
<b>I</b>	Standard input	<b>I.</b> Data that a program receives <i>during</i> execution.
<b>C</b>	Variable	<b>J.</b> A set of values and operations on those values.

## 4. Arrays, loops, and conditionals. (12 points)

Let `a[]` be an array of type `int[]` and let `n` be its length. Determine what each of the following code fragments does. Assume that `n` is a positive integer and that all of the integers in the array `a[]` are positive integers.

For each code fragment on the left, write the letter of the best-matching description from the right. You may use each letter once, more than once, or not at all.

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| <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 20px; height: 20px; text-align: center; line-height: 20px; margin-bottom: 5px;">D</div> <pre>int result = 0; for (int i = 0; i &lt; n; i++) {     if (a[i] &gt; result)         result = a[i]; }</pre>            | <p>A. Reverses the elements in the array</p> <p>B. Sorts the elements in the array</p> <p>C. Identifies the <i>smallest</i> value in the array</p> |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 20px; height: 20px; text-align: center; line-height: 20px; margin-bottom: 5px;">F</div> <pre>boolean result = true; for (int i = n-1; i &gt;= 1; i--) {     if (a[i] &gt; a[i-1])         result = false; }</pre> | <p>D. Identifies the <i>largest</i> value in the array</p> <p>E. Determines if the array is in <i>ascending</i> order</p>                          |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 20px; height: 20px; text-align: center; line-height: 20px; margin-bottom: 5px;">G</div> <pre>for (int i = 0; i &lt; n; i++) {     int temp = a[i];     a[i] = a[n-i];     a[n-i] = temp; }</pre>                  | <p>F. Determines if the array is in <i>descending</i> order</p> <p>G. Produces a <i>compile-time error</i> or a <i>run-time exception</i></p>      |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 20px; height: 20px; text-align: center; line-height: 20px; margin-bottom: 5px;">A</div> <pre>for (int i = 0; i &lt; n/2; i++) {     int temp = a[n-i-1];     a[n-i-1] = a[i];     a[i] = temp; }</pre>            | <p>H. Goes into an <i>infinite loop</i></p>  |

**5. Properties of functions. (12 points)**

Which of the following are properties of *functions* in Java?

*Identify each statement as either true or false by filling in the appropriate bubble.*

*true*    *false*

- In Java, a *function* is implemented as a `static` method.
- A non-void function must contain *exactly one* `return` statement.
- A function can *both* return a value *and* produce a side effect.
- Two functions defined in the same class can have *both* the same name *and* the same number of arguments.
- A function can specify `boolean[]` as its *return type*.
- If you pass a value of type `double[]` to a function that takes an argument of type `double[]`, that function can change the values of the individual elements in the array.
- If you pass a value of type `int` to a function that takes an argument of type `double`, that will produce a *compile-time error*.

### 6. Conditionals, loops, and standard drawing. (12 points)

Consider the following code fragment, which draws an  $n$ -by- $n$  grid of filled circles. Recall that `StdDraw.filledCircle(x, y, r)` draws a filled circle of radius  $r$ , centered at  $(x, y)$ , in the current pen color.

```
// lower-left endpoint = (0, 0); upper-right endpoint = (n, n)
StdDraw.setXscale(0, n);
StdDraw.setYscale(0, n);

// draw an n-by-n grid of filled circles
for (int x = n-1; x >= 0; x--) { // line 6
    for (int y = 0; y < n; y++) { // line 7
        StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.BLACK);
        if ((x == y) || (x + y == n-1)) StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.RED);
        else {
            if (x % 2 == 0) StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.GREEN);
            if (y % 2 == 0) StdDraw.setPenColor(StdDraw.BLUE);
        }
        StdDraw.filledCircle(x + 0.5, y + 0.5, 0.5);
    }
}
```

Which of the following properties are true for  $n = 100$ ?

Fill in all checkboxes that apply.

- It draws an  $n$ -by- $n$  grid of filled, non-overlapping, circles.
- The lower-leftmost and upper-rightmost circles are both red.
- The upper-leftmost and lower-rightmost circles are the same color.
- All circles are colored red, green, or blue (i.e., not black).
- The number of green circles equals the number of blue circles.
- The upper-leftmost circle is drawn *last*.
- If lines 6 and 7 are swapped, the code fragment produces exactly the same final drawing (but the circles are drawn in a different order).

**7. Functions, arrays, and pass-by-value. (10 points)**

Consider the following Java functions:

```
public static int negate1(int x) {
    x = -x;
    return x;
}

public static void negate2(int[] a) {
    for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++)
        negate1(a[i]);
}

public static void negate3(int[] a) {
    for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++)
        a[i] = -a[i];
}

public static void negate4(int[] a) {
    for (int i = 0; i < a.length; i++)
        a[i] = negate1(a[i]);
}
```

Suppose that the integer array `a[]` contains the three integers `[1, 2, 6]`. What will be the contents of the array `a[]` after executing each of the following statements?

*For each statement on the left, write the letter of the best-matching description from the right. Answer the parts independently. You may use each letter once, more than once, or not at all.*

<b>D</b>	<code>a = -a;</code>	<b>A.</b> <code>[1, 2, 6]</code>
<b>A</b>	<code>negate2(a);</code>	<b>B.</b> <code>[-1, -2, -6]</code>
<b>B</b>	<code>negate3(a);</code>	<b>C.</b> <code>[0, 0, 0]</code>
<b>B</b>	<code>negate4(a);</code>	<b>D.</b> Produces a <i>compile-time error</i> or a <i>run-time exception</i>
<b>D</b>	<code>negate3(negate3(a));</code>	



## 8. Boolean expressions and functions. (10 points)

The `exactly2()` function takes three integer arguments and returns `true` if exactly two of the three integers are equal; otherwise, it returns `false`. For example `exactly2(2, 2, 6)` returns `true`, but `exactly2(1, 2, 6)` and `exactly2(3, 3, 3)` return `false`.

Complete the following *two* implementations of `exactly2()` by, for each oval numbered 1–5, choosing one of the boolean expressions from the right. No other code is allowed.

*Each answer should be a sequence of uppercase letters (corresponding to the labeled ovals). You may use each letter once, more than once, or not at all.*

(a) 

G	A	F
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 or G F A  
1    2    3

A. `a == b`B. `a == c`C. `b == c`D. `a != b`E. `a != c`F. `(a == c) || (b == c)`G. `(a == c) && (b == c)`

```
public static boolean exactly2(int a, int b, int c) {
    if (  1 ) return false;
    else if (  2 ) return true;
    else if (  3 ) return true;
    return false;
}
```

(b) 

A	F
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 or F A  
4    5

```
public static boolean exactly2(int a, int b, int c) {
    int count = 0;
    if (  4 ) count++;
    if (  5 ) count++;
    return count == 1;
}
```

**9. Recursion. (10 points)**

Consider the following *recursive* Java function:

```
public static int f(int x) {  
    if (x < 0) return 0;  
    else if (x < 5) return x;  
    int sum = f(x-1) + f(x-2) * f(x-3);  
    return sum % 5;  
}
```

Fill in the bubble corresponding to the value of each expression below.

(a)  $f(-126)$

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(b)  $f(4)$

0	1	2	3	4
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(c)  $f(6)$

0	1	2	3	4
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(d)  $f(10)$

0	1	2	3	4
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(e)  $f(126)$

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## 10. Performance. (10 points)

Determine the *order-of-growth of the running time* of each of the following code fragments as a function of  $n$ .

For each code fragment on the left, write the letter of the best-matching term from the right. You may use each letter once, more than once, or not at all.

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| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 8px;">A</span> | <pre>int count = 0;</pre>  | <p><b>A.</b> <math>\Theta(1)</math><br/><i>constant</i></p>  |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 8px;">E</span> | <pre>int count = 0; for (int i = 1; i &lt;= n; i++) {     for (int j = 1; j &lt;= n; j++) {         count++;     } }</pre>   | <p><b>B.</b> <math>\Theta(\log n)</math><br/><i>logarithmic</i></p> <p><b>C.</b> <math>\Theta(n)</math><br/><i>linear</i></p>  |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 8px;">D</span> | <pre>int count = 0; for (int i = 1; i &lt;= n; i++) {     for (int j = 1; j &lt;= n; j = 2*j) {         count++;     } }</pre>                                       | <p><b>D.</b> <math>\Theta(n \log n)</math><br/><i>linearithmic</i></p> <p><b>E.</b> <math>\Theta(n^2)</math><br/><i>quadratic</i></p> <p><b>F.</b> <math>\Theta(n^3)</math><br/><i>cubic</i></p> |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 8px;">G</span> | <pre>public static int f(int n) {     if (n == 0) return 1;     return f(n-1) + f(n-1); }</pre>  | <p><b>G.</b> <math>\Theta(2^n)</math><br/><i>exponential</i></p>   |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px 8px;">C</span> | <pre>int count = 0; for (int i = 1; i &lt;= n; i++)     count++; for (int j = 1; j &lt;= 2*n; j++)     count++; for (int k = 1; k &lt;= 3*n; k++)     count++;</pre> |  |