

# **CSEN 202: Introduction to Computer Programming**

**Spring 2012**

Midterm exam

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## **Model Solutions**

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**Instructions. Please read carefully before proceeding.**

- (a) The duration of this exam is **120 minutes**.
- (b) Non-programmable calculators are allowed.
- (c) No books or other aids are permitted for this test.
- (d) This exam booklet contains a total of **10 pages**, including this one.

**Exercise 1** Primitive types (11 Marks)  
**Types and expressions**

Assume the following statements to be executed in sequence. Give the exact output of the following printing statements. If a statement is incorrect, please indicate the error.

(a) `short s = -128; System.out.println (s);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-128

(b) `byte b = (byte) s; System.out.println (b);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-128

(c) `b += 1; System.out.println (b);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-127

(d) `s <<= 2; System.out.println (s);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-512

(e) `b = (byte) s; System.out.println ((double) b);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

0.0

(f) `System.out.println (""+ s + b);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-5120

(g) `int i = -1; System.out.println (i & s);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-512

(h) `int j = 1; System.out.println (j || s);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

**Error:** The operator `||` is only defined on **boolean**.

(i) `byte c = -8; System.out.println ((c >> 1) + c);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

-12

(j) `boolean h = (0 = 1)?true:false; System.out.println (h);` (1 Mark)

**Solution:**

**Error:** A single equality sign ("`=`") is the assignment operator. Assignments require a variable on the left side.

(k) `float f = 42.0; System.out.println (f == 42);`

(1 Mark)

**Solution:**

**Error:** The literal “42.0” is of type `double` and cannot be implicitly cast into a `float`.

**Exercise 2** Refactoring  
**Conditional**

(6 Marks)

(a) Rewrite the following code segment to eliminate all unnecessary checks

(3 Marks)

```
if (a <= b && a <= c)
    result = a;
else if (b <= a && b <= c)
    result = b;
else if (c <= a && c <= b)
    result = c;

System.out.println(result);
```

**Solution:**

```
if (a <= b && a <= c)
    result = a;
else if (b <= c)
    result = b;
else
    result = c;

System.out.println(result);
```

(b) Rewrite the previous code segment to use only the print statement with a nested conditional expression enclosed. (3 Marks)

**Solution:**

```
System.out.println((a <= b && a <= c) ? a : ((b <= c) ? b : c));
```

**Exercise 3** Tracing  
**Board**

(8 Marks)

(a) Give the exact output of the following Java program-segment into the table below (use one cell for each character) (4 Marks)

```
for (int i = 0; i < 6; i++) {
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; j++)
        System.out.print ((i + j) % 2 == 0 ? "_" : "*");
    System.out.println ();
}
```

Put your answer into this table (one character per cell):

	*		*		*			
*		*		*				
	*		*		*			
*		*		*				
	*		*		*			
*		*		*				

(b) Give the exact output of the following Java program-segment into the table below (use one cell for each character). Assume the argument *n* set to a value of 5. (4 Marks)

```
public static void sAndCr (int n) {
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++, System.out.println ())
        for (int j = 0; j < n; j++)
            System.out.print ((i == j || i + 1 == n - j) ? "*" : "_");
}
```

Put your answer into this table (one character per cell):

*				*				
	*		*					
		*						
	*		*					
*				*				

**Exercise 4** Conditionals

(13 Marks)

**Geometry calculator**

(a) Write a Java program that calculates the perimeter or the area of a geometric shape based on the choice of the user (the choices are *circle*, *rectangle*, and *square*). The user should enter a character or a number indicating what he needs to calculate and another one for the type of the shape shape. (13 Marks)

- Your program must have a complete infrastructure consisting of a class, a `main`-method, and any helper methods you might need.
- Take the input by using a `Scanner`.
- To interpret the input you must use a `switch`-statement.
- Ask for the right input data (e. g., side, radius, ...) in each specific case.

**Solution:**

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class Geometry {

    public static void main (String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner (System.in);
        System.out.println
            ("Please_enter_'p'_'for_perimeter_or_'a'_'for_area:");
        char c = sc.next ().charAt (0);
        System.out.println
            ("Please_enter_'c'_'for_circle,_'r'_'for_rectangle_or_'s'_'for_square:");
        char t = sc.next ().charAt (0);
        double area = 0;
        double perimeter = 0;
        switch (c) {
            case 'a':
                switch (t) {
                    case 'c':
                        System.out.println ("Enter_radius:");
                        int r = sc.nextInt();
                        area = 3.14 * r * r;
                        break;
                    case 'r':
                        System.out.println ("Enter_side:");
                        int side1 = sc.nextInt();
                        int side2 = sc.nextInt();
                        area = side1 * side2;
                        break;
                    case 's':
                        System.out.println ("Enter_side:");
                        int side = sc.nextInt();
                        area = side * side;
                        break;
                }
            System.out.println ("Area=" + area);
            break;
            default:
                switch (t) {
                    case 'c':
                        System.out.println ("Enter_radius:");
                        int r = sc.nextInt ();
                        area = 2 * 3.14 * r;
                        break;
                    case 'r':
                        System.out.println ("Enter_sides:");
```

```
        int side1 = sc.nextInt ();
        int side2 = sc.nextInt ();
        area = 2 * (side1 + side2);
        break;
    case 's':
        System.out.println ("Enter_side:");
        int side = sc.nextInt ();
        area = 4 * side;
        break;
    }
    System.out.println ("Perimeter_=" + perimeter);
}
}
```

**Exercise 5**    Nested loops  
                 **S-factorial**

(12 Marks)

The s-factorial (super-factorial) of a positive whole number  $n$  ( $s\text{-fact}(n)$ ) is defined as

$$s\text{-fact}(n) = 1! \cdot 2! \cdot \dots \cdot n!$$

with

$$n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot n.$$

(a) Write a Java program to find the *s-factorial* of a positive integer  $n$ .

(12 Marks)

- Your program must have a complete infrastructure consisting of a class, a `main`-method, and any helper methods you might need.
- In particular: Write at least a method `sfact` and method `main` to test it.
- Take the input by using a `Scanner`.

**Solution:**

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class SFactorial {

    public static void main (String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println ("Enter_a_number:");
        long n = sc.nextLong ();

        /* Testing the iterative version (sufficient for full Marks) */
        System.out.println ("The_s-factorial_of_" + n + "_is_" + sfact(n));

        /* Testing the recursive version (alternative) */
        System.out.println ("The_s-factorial_of_" + n + "_is_" + sfactRec(n));
    }

    /* Iterative version (sufficient to receive full marks) */
    public static long sfact (long n) {
        long result = 1;
        for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {
            long factorial = 1;
            for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++)
                factorial *= j;
            result *= factorial;
        }
        return result;
    }

    /* Recursive version (alternative, coded defensively) */
    public static long sfactRec (long n) {
        return (n <= 1) ? factRec (1) : factRec (n) * sfactRec (n - 1);
    }

    public static long factRec (long n) {
        return (n <= 1) ? 1 : n * factRec (n - 1);
    }
}
```



**Exercise 6** Iterations and conditionals  
**LCM**

(10 Marks)

- (a) Write a method `lcm (int a, int b, int c)` that takes three positive integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  and returns the least common multiple (lcm) of the three. (10 Marks)

**Hint.** Copy the values of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  into three auxiliary variables (e. g.,  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$ ). Then repeatedly find the smallest of the three auxiliary variables and add its base value to it (i. e., if  $x$  contains the smallest value, then add  $a$  to  $x$ , if  $y$  contains the smallest value, then add  $b$  to  $y$ , etc.). When all three auxiliary variables are equal, you have found the least common multiple.

**Example.** For example, take  $a = 12$ ,  $b = 15$ , and  $c = 20$ . The algorithm can be illustrated by the following table:

Iteration	$x$	$y$	$z$
1 <sup>st</sup>	12	15	20
2 <sup>nd</sup>	24		
3 <sup>rd</sup>		30	
4 <sup>th</sup>			40
5 <sup>th</sup>	36		
6 <sup>th</sup>		45	
7 <sup>th</sup>	48		
8 <sup>th</sup>			60
9 <sup>th</sup>		60	
10 <sup>th</sup>	60		

**Hint.** Refer to Exercise 2 for a way of how to find the least out of three values.

**Solution:**

```
public static int lcm (int a, int b, int c) {
    int x = a;
    int y = b;
    int z = c;

    while (!(x == y && y == z)) {
        if (x <= y && x <= z)
            x += a;
        else if (y <= z)
            y += b;
        else
            z += c;
    }
    return x;
}
```

**Bonus Exercise 7**    Recursion  
                          **GCD**

(6 Marks)

The Euclidean algorithm to find the greatest common divisor of two integer numbers can be concisely written as

$$\text{gcd}(n, m) = \begin{cases} m & \text{if } n = 0 \\ \text{gcd}(m \bmod n, n) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $n \bmod m$  stands for the remainder of an integer division (i. e., " $n \bmod m$ "  $\equiv$  " $n \% m$ ").

- (a) Write a *recursive* method that calculates the greatest common divisor of two integer numbers **(4 Marks)**
- (b) Two extra bonus-Marks can be earned if your algorithm uses the conditional operator (expression) instead of a conditional statement. **(2 Marks)**

**Solution:**

(Only the method `gcd` had to be implemented.)

```
public class Gcd {  
  
    public static void main (String[] args) {  
        System.out.println (gcd (220, 325));  
    }  
  
    public static int gcd (int n, int m) {  
        return (n == 0) ? m : gcd (m % n, n);  
    }  
}
```