

# Sample Midterm

October 20, 2019

- The first midterm is Saturday, October 26 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- You will not be able to bring any books or electronic devices.
- Bring your photo ID.
- This is not a practice exam. An actual exam will have possibly quite different problems and will be harder.
- It is strongly recommended that you go over all materials, e.g., lecture notes, homeworks, quizzes, and jupyter notebooks.

**Problem 1.** What is the output of the following Python program?

```
sum = 0
n = 10
while n > 0:
    sum = sum + n
    n = n - 2
print(sum)
```

**Problem 2.** Use list comprehension to make all strings in the following list lowercase:

```
L = [ 'Seoul', 'NEW_YORK', 'Paris', 'Hello_World', 'SNU' ]
```

**Problem 3.** What is the output of the following program?

```
s = 'hello!'
print(s * s.count('l'))
```

**Problem 4.** What are the contents of l2 after the following code is executed?

```
L1 = [ 'Monday', 'Tuesday', 'Wednesday', 'Thursday' ]
L2 = [(L1[i], L1[i+1]) for i in range(len(L1)-1)]
```

**Problem 5.** What is the value of the expression `D['one']` after the following code is executed?

```
words = [ 'one', 'two', 'One', 'Three', 'ONE', 'Two', 'three' ]
D = {}
for i in range(len(words)):
    w = words[i].lower()
    if w in dct:
        D[w][0] += 1
        D[w][1] = i
    else:
        D[w] = [1, i]
```

**Problem 6.** What is the output of the following Python program?

```
def fun(a, b=5, c=10):
    return a+b+c

print(fun(2,3))
```

**Problem 7.** For each of the functions  $f(N)$  given below, indicate the tightest bound possible. You must choose your answer from the following:

$O(1), O(N), O(N^2), O(N^3), O(N^4), O(N^5), O(\log N), O(N \log N), O(N^2 \log N), O(N^3 \log N), O(2^N)$

(a)  $f(N) = N(N^2 \log N^2 + N)$

(b)  $f(N) = (10N + N^2)^2$

(c)  $f(N) = N \log 100000$

**Problem 8.** Draw the recursion trace for the computation of `reverse('abcdefg', 0, 6)` as implemented in the following code fragment:

```
def reverse(S, start, stop):
    if start < stop - 1:
        temp = S[start]
        S[start] = S[stop-1]
        S[stop-1] = temp
        reverse(S, start+1, stop-1)
```

**Problem 9.** Describe the worst case running time of the following function in Big-Oh notation in terms of the variable `n`.

```
def fun(n):
    if n < 1:
        return n
    elif n < 100:
        return fun(n - 1)
    else:
        return fun(n // 2)
```

**Problem 10.** We want to implement a recursive binary search algorithm for a list which assumes the underlying data is sorted in descending order, e.g., `[10, 7, 5, 1]`. Please complete the commented line.

```
def binary_search_descending(data, target, low, high):
    if low > high:
        return False
    else:
        mid = (low + high) // 2
        if target == data[mid]:
            return True
        elif target < data[mid]:
            # please complete this line
        else:
            # please complete this line
```

**Problem 11.** What is the output of the following Python script?

```
class Person():
    def __init__(self, name, idnumber):
        self.name = name
        self.idnumber = idnumber

    def display(self):
        print(self.name)
        print(self.idnumber)

class Employee(Person):
    def __init__(self, name, idnumber, salary):
        Person.__init__(self, name, idnumber)
        self.salary = salary
```

```

def display(self):
    super().display()
    print(self.salary)

Sam = Person('Sam', 4439)
Sam.display()

Paul = Employee('Paul', 1234, 120000)
Paul.display()

```

**Problem 12.** Suppose that  $L$  is a Python list of length  $n$ . Categorize the worst-case execution time of the below expressions as either

$$O(1), O(\log n), O(n), O(n^2).$$

- (a) `L.insert(2,10)`
- (b) `L[-1]`
- (c) `3 in L`
- (d) `len(L)`

**Problem 13.** What is the output of the following Python program?

```

def fun(x, y):
    try:
        ratio = x / y
    except ZeroDivisionError:
        ratio = 'inf'
    return ratio

print(fun(3,2))
print(fun(2,0))

```

**Problem 14.** What values are returned during the following sequence of queue operations, if executed on an initially empty queue?

`enqueue(5), enqueue(3), dequeue(), enqueue(2), enqueue(8), dequeue(), dequeue(), enqueue(9), enqueue(1), dequeue(), enqueue(7), enqueue(6), dequeue(), dequeue(), enqueue(4), dequeue(), dequeue()`.