



COMP348Miderm Answers

Principles of Programming Languages (Concordia University)



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QUESTION 1

Use `Arrays.sort(Object[] obj, Comparator<? super T> c)` to compare two Cars.
(Hint: Can use `ArrayUtils.indexOf(Object[] obj, Object toFind)`)

```
public interface Car {  
    public final String[] MODELS = { ... };  
    public String getModel();  
    public String getMake(); // i.e. Toyota.  
    public int getYear();  
}
```

1a)

// Anonymous class to sort by make.

```
Arrays.sort(cars, new Comparator<Car>() {  
    public int compare(Car c1, Car c2) {  
        return (" " + c1.getMake().compareTo(c2.getMake()) + " "); // The  
        // quotes prevent a NullPointerException.  
    }  
});
```

// Lambda expression to sort by make.

```
Arrays.sort(cars, (Car c1, Car c2) -> (" " + c1.getMake().compareTo(c2.getMake()) + " "));
```

1b)

// Lambda expression to sort by make.

```
Arrays.sort(cars, (Car c1, Car c2) -> (ArrayUtils.indexOf(Car.MODELS, c1.getModel()) -  
ArrayUtils.indexOf(Car.MODELS, c2.getModel())));
```

1c)

// Same concept but compare two attributes.

QUESTION 2

2a)

Does $\text{chk}(X, a(b, c), d(Y, [H|T]))$ unify with the following items?

i) X

$X = \text{chk}(X, a(b, c), d(Y, [H|T]))$

ii) $\text{chk}(a, Y, Z)$

$a = X$

$a(b, c) = Y$

$Z = d(Y, [H|T])$

iii) $\text{chk}(X, a(b, X), d(a, b))$

b cannot be an atom AND a list.

iv) $\text{chk}(X, a(b, c), d(a, [b]))$

$X = X$

$a(b, c) = a(b, c)$

$Y = a$

$[b] = [H|T]$

v) $[X|Y]$

The given clause is not a list.

2b)

Show the complete steps for unification and resolution for the following prolog code:

$\text{add}(X, L, [X|L]).$

?- $\text{add}(a, [b|[c]], L).$

$X = a$

$L' = [b|[c]]$

$[X|L'] = L$

$L = [a, b, c]$

QUESTION 3

3a) Represent the circuit in prolog.

$\text{circuit}(A, B, S, C) \text{ :- } \text{or}(A, B, \text{AoB}), \text{and}(A, B, C), \text{inv}(C, \text{Cinv}), \text{and}(\text{AoB}, \text{Cinv}, S).$

3b) Output of the following code.

```
f(0, 1).  
f(1, 1).  
d(N, R) :- N1 is N-1, N2 is N-2, f(N1, R2), R is R1 + R2.  
runme :- forall(member(X, [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5]), write(Y), nl).
```

- i) 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8
- ii) Fibonacci sequence.

QUESTION 4

4a) Write a procedure called find_at/3 to find the K'th element of a given list.

```
find_at([H|_], 1, H) :- !.  
find_at([H|T], N, X) :- find_at(T, N1, X), N is N1+1.
```

4b)
?-find_at([1, 2, 3], -1, K).
false

```
?-findall(K, find_at([a, b, c, d, e], _, K), O).  
O = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

4c)
parent(john, sally).
parent(jim, mike).
parent(carol, john).
parent(carol, sue).
parent(sally, jim).
parent(jim, bob).
malelist([john, jim, mike, bob]).
femalelist([sally, carol, sue]).

- i) mother(X, Y) :- % X is the mother of Y
 femalelist(L), member(X, L), parent(X, Y).
- ii) father(X, Y) :- % X is the father of Y
 malelist(L), member(X, L), parent(X, Y).

iii) sibling(X, Y) :- % X and Y share a common parent
 parent(Z, X), parent(Z, Y), X /= Y.

iv) couple(X, Y) :- % X and Y share a child
 parent(X, Z), parent(Y, Z), X /= Y.

QUESTION 5

5a)
(car (cdr (list '(1 3) '(2 4) '(5 7 6))))
Output: (2 4)

5b)
(let ((x 2)))
(let* ((x 5) (y 10)) (if (> (/ y x) (/ 8 4)) (+ x y) (* y x)))
Output: 50

5c)
(< 1 2 5 0)
Output: nil

5d)
(list '(a b) (list '(a b) (list '(c) 'd)))
Output: ((a b) ((a b) ((c) d)))

5e)
(let ((a '(a))) (append a '(a)))
Output: (a a)

QUESTION 6

6a) Write a function that receives a list and duplicates its elements such that:
> (dup1 '(1 (2) (3 4)))
(1 1 (2) (2) (3 4) (3 4))

```
(defun dup1 (lst)
  (cond
    ((null lst)
```

```

        lst
      )
    (t
      (cons (car lst) (cons (car lst) (dup1 (cdr (lst))))))
    )
  )
)

```

6b) Write a function that receives a list and flattens it

```

> (flatten '((1) (2 (3)) (((4 5))))
(1 2 3 4 5)

```

6c) Write a function that skips a number of elements in a list.

```

> (skip '(1 2 3 4) 2)
(3 4)
> (skip '(1 2 3 4) -2)
(1 1 1 2 3 4)

```

```

(defun skip (lst n)
  (cond
    ((= n 0)
     lst
    )
    ((> n 0)
     (skip (cdr lst) (- n 1))
    )
    ((< n 0)
     (cons (cons lst) (skip lst (+ n 1)))
    )
  )
)

```

--- QUESTION 7 ---

Write a function to check if a given list is a tree (empty list is a tree and all children nodes have values).

```

(defun istree (lst)

```

```

(cond
  ((atom lst)
    nil
  )
  ((null lst)
    T
  )
  (t
    (istreelist (cdr lst))
  )
)
)

(defun istreelist (lst)
  (cond
    ((null lst)
      T
    )
    (t
      (and (istree (car lst)) (istreelist (cdr lst)))
    )
  )
)
)

```

QUESTION 8

Calculate the sum from 0 to n.

8a) Use recursion:

```

(defun sum (n)
  (cond
    ((= n 0)
      0
    )
    (t
      (+ (sum (- n 1)) n)
    )
  )
)
)

```

8b) Use iteration:

```
(defun sum (n)
  (cond
    ((= n 0)
     0)
    (t
     (let ((s 0))
       (dotimes (i (+ n 1) s)
         (setq s (+ s i)))
       )
     )
  )
)
```