

COMP2402A Midterm Exam — Fall 2010 — 1h20m

Please answer all questions on the provided Scantron sheet. Select only a single answer for each question. In case multiple answers are correct, select a single answer that best, or most precisely, answers the question.

1. Which of the JCF interfaces would be the most useful if we want to store a collection of students enrolled in COMP2402 so that we can quickly check if a student is enrolled in COMP2402?
 - (a) Collection
 - ☒ (b) Set
 - (c) SortedSet
 - (d) Map
 - (e) SortedMap
2. What if we also want to be able to quickly output a list of students, sorted by (lastname,firstname)?
 - (a) Collection
 - (b) Set
 - ☒ (c) SortedSet
 - (d) Map
 - (e) SortedMap
3. What if, in addition, we also want to store some auxiliary information (e.g., a mark) with each student?
 - (a) Collection
 - (b) Set
 - (c) SortedSet
 - (d) Map
 - ☒ (e) SortedMap
4. A Bag is like a Set except that equal elements can be stored more than once. Which of the following is best suited to implement a Bag<T>?
 - (a) Set<T>
 - (b) Map<T,Integer>
 - (c) Map<T,List<T>>
 - (d) SortedSet<T>
 - ☒ (e) Either (b) or (c) depending on what behaviour we want if we add two elements that are equal but not identical.
5. The running time of the methods `get(i)` and `remove(i)` for an `ArrayList` are
 - (a) $O(1)$ and $O(1)$, respectively
 - (b) $O(1 + i)$ and $O(1 + i)$, respectively
 - (c) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + i)$, respectively
 - (d) $O(1 + i)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively
 - ☒ (e) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively
6. The running time of the methods `get(i)` and `remove(i)` for a `LinkedList` are

- (a) $O(1 + i)$ and $O(1 + i)$, respectively
- (b) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively
- (c) $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$ and $O(1)$, respectively
- ☒ (d) $O(1 + \min\{i, \text{size}() - i\})$ and $O(1 + \min\{i, \text{size}() - i\})$, respectively
- (e) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively

7.

```
public static void frontGets(List<Integer> l, int n) {
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        l.get(0);
    }
}
```

The above method is

- (a) much faster when l is an ArrayList
 - (b) much faster when l is a LinkedList
 - ☒ (c) about the same speed independent of whether l is an ArrayList or a LinkedList
8.

```
public static void randomGets(List<Integer> l, int n) {
    Random gen = new Random();
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        l.get(gen.nextInt(l.size()));
    }
}
```

The above method is

- ☒ (a) much faster when l is an ArrayList
 - (b) much faster when l is a LinkedList
 - (c) about the same speed independent of whether l is an ArrayList or a LinkedList
9.

```
public static void insertAtBack(List<Integer> l, int n) {
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        l.add(new Integer(i));
    }
}
```

The above method is

- (a) much faster when l is an ArrayList
 - (b) much faster when l is a LinkedList
 - ☒ (c) about the same speed independent of whether l is an ArrayList or a LinkedList
10.

```
public static void insertAtFront(List<Integer> l, int n) {
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        l.add(0, new Integer(i));
    }
}
```

The above method is

- (a) much faster when l is an ArrayList
- ☒ (b) much faster when l is a LinkedList

(c) about the same speed independent of whether `l` is an `ArrayList` or a `LinkedList`

```
11. public static void insertInMiddle(List<Integer> l, int n) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        l.add(new Integer(i));  
    }  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        l.add(n/2+i, new Integer(i));  
    }  
}
```

The above method is

(a) much faster when `l` is an `ArrayList`

(b) much faster when `l` is a `LinkedList`

☒ (c) about the same speed independent of whether `l` is an `ArrayList` or a `LinkedList`

```
12. public static void insertInMiddle2(List<Integer> l, int n) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        l.add(new Integer(i));  
    }  
    ListIterator<Integer> li = l.listIterator(n/2);  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        li.add(new Integer(i));  
    }  
}
```

The above method is

(a) much faster when `l` is an `ArrayList`

☒ (b) much faster when `l` is a `LinkedList`

(c) about the same speed independent of whether `l` is an `ArrayList` or a `LinkedList`

13. Recall that an `ArrayStack` stores `n` elements in a backing array `a` at locations `a[0], ..., a[n-1]`:

```
public class ArrayStack<T> extends AbstractList<T> {  
    T[] a;  
    int n;  
    ...  
}
```

Also recall that, immediately after the backing array `a` is resized by `grow()` or `shrink` it has `a.length = 2n`.

When adding an element, the `ArrayStack` grows the backing array `a` if it is full, i.e, if `a.length = n`.

If are currently about to grow the backing array `a`, what can you say about the number of `add()` and `remove()` operations (as a function of the current value of `n`) since the last time the `ArrayStack` was resized?

☒ (a) At least $n/2$ `add()` operations have occurred since then

(b) At least $2n/3$ `add()` operations have occurred since then

(c) At least $n/2$ `remove()` operations have occurred since then

(d) At least $2n/3$ `remove()` operations have occurred since then

- (e) We can not bound either the number of `add()` nor `remove()` operations
14. Recall that we shrink the backing array `a` when $3n < a.length$. If we are currently about to shrink the backing array `a`, what can you say about the number of `add()` and `remove()` operations since the last time the `ArrayStack` was resized?
- (a) At least $n/2$ `add()` operations have occurred since then
 - (b) At least $2n/3$ `add()` operations have occurred since then
 - ☒ (c) At least $n/2$ `remove()` operations have occurred since then
 - (d) At least $2n/3$ `remove()` operations have occurred since then
 - (e) We can not bound either the number of `add()` nor `remove()` operations
15. From the previous two questions, what can you conclude about the total number of elements copied by `grow()` and `shrink()` if we start with an empty `ArrayStack` and perform m `add()` and `remove` operations.
- (a) At most m elements are copied by `grow()` and `shrink()`
 - ☒ (b) At most $2m$ elements are copied by `grow()` and `shrink()`
 - (c) At least m elements are copied by `grow()` and `shrink()`
 - (d) At least $2m$ elements are copied by `grow()` and `shrink()`
 - (e) We can not bound the number of elements copied by `grow()` and `shrink()`
16. Recall that an `ArrayDeque` stores n elements at locations `a[j]`, `a[(j+1)%a.length]`, ..., `a[(j+n-1)%a.length]`:

```
public class ArrayDeque<T> extends AbstractList<T> {
    T[] a;
    int j;
    int n;
    ...
}
```

What is the amortized running time of the `add(i,x)` and `remove(i)` operations?

- (a) $O(1 + i)$
 - (b) $O(1 + |i - n/2|)$
 - (c) $O(1 + n - i)$
 - ☒ (d) $O(1 + \min\{i, n - i\})$
 - (e) $O(1 + \min\{i - n, n - i\})$
17. If $m = 2^{10}$ then the binary representations of m and $m - 1$ are
- (a) 10000000000 and 09999999999, respectively
 - ☒ (b) 10000000000 and 01111111111, respectively
 - (c) 01111111111 and 10000000000, respectively
 - (d) 10101010001 and 00101010111, respectively
 - (e) 10000000000 and 11111111111, respectively

18. From the previous question, if the binary representation of x is 0001110001110001110001010101010101, then the binary representation of $x \bmod m$ is

- (a) 0001110001110001110001010101010101
(b) 000000000000000000000000000001010101
(c) 000111000111000111000101000000000000
(d) 000000000000000000000000111000111000111
(e) 000000000000000000000000000000000000

19. Recall that a `DualArrayDeque` implements the `List` interface using two `ArrayStacks`:

```
public class DualArrayDeque<T> extends AbstractList<T> {
    ArrayStack<T> front;
    ArrayStack<T> back;
    ...
}
```

In order to implement `get(i)` we need to get it from the `ArrayStack`, `front` or `back`. We can express this as

- (a) `front.get(i)`
- (b) `front.get(front.size()-i-1)`
- (c) `back.get(i-front.size())`
- ☒ (d) Either (b) or (c) depending on the value of `i` and `front.size()`
- (e) Either (a) or (c) depending on the value of `i` and `front.size()`

20. Recall that a `RootishArrayStack` stores a list in a sequence of arrays (blocks) of sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, ...

```
public class RootishArrayStack<T> extends AbstractList<T> {
    List<T[]> blocks;
    int n;
    ...
}
```

21. If a `RootishArrayStack` has 10 blocks (so `b.size() = 10`), then how many elements can it store?

- (a) 90
(b) 110
(c) 45
(d) 55 $= 10 \cdot 11 / 2$
(e) none of the above

22. In a `RootishArrayStack`, a call to `get(13)` will return

- (a) `blocks.get(0)[13]`
- (b) `blocks.get(13)[0]`
- (c) `blocks.get(4)[3]`
- (d) `blocks.get(3)[4]`
- (e) `blocks.get(5)[4]`

0 0
1 1 2
2 3 4 5
3 6 7 8 9
4 10 11 12 13 14
0 1 2 3

23. Recall our implementation of a singly-linked list (SLList):

```
protected class Node {
    T x;
    Node next;
}
public class SLList<T> extends AbstractList<T> {
    Node head;
    Node tail;
    int n;
    ...
}
```

Consider how to implement a **Queue** as an **SLList**. When we enqueue (**add(x)**) an element, where does it go? When we dequeue (**remove()**) an element, where does it come from?

- (a) We enqueue (**add(x)**) at the **head** and we dequeue (**remove()**) at the **tail**
 - ☒ (b) We enqueue (**add(x)**) at the **tail** and we dequeue (**remove()**) at the **head**
 - (c) We enqueue (**add(x)**) at the **head** and we dequeue (**remove()**) at the **head**
 - (d) We enqueue (**add(x)**) at the **tail** and we dequeue (**remove()**) at the **tail**
 - (e) None of the above
24. Consider how to implement a **Stack** as an **SLList**. When we push an element where does it go? When we pop an element where does it come from?

- (a) We push at the **head** and we pop at the **tail**
 - (b) We push at the **tail** and we pop at the **head**
 - ☒ (c) We push at the **head** and we pop at the **head**
 - (d) We push at the **tail** and we pop at the **tail**
 - (e) None of the above
25. Using the best method you can think of, how quickly can we find the i th node in an SLList?

- (a) in $O(1 + i)$ time
- (b) in $O(1 + n - i)$ time
- (c) in $O(1 + n - i)$ time
- (d) in $O(1 + \min\{i, n - i\})$ time
- ☒ (e) in $O(1 + \min\{i, n \cdot (n - i - 1)\})$ time

→ tricky: if $i = n - 1$ then
tail is the node we want

26. Recall our implementation of a doubly-linked list (DLList):

```
protected class Node {
    Node next, prev;
    T x;
}
public class DLList<T> extends AbstractSequentialList<T> {
    protected Node dummy;
    protected int n;
    ...
}
```

Explain the role of the `dummy` node. In particular, if our list is non-empty, then what are `dummy.next` and `dummy.prev`?

- (a) `dummy.next` and `dummy.prev` are both the first node in the list
- (b) `dummy.next` and `dummy.prev` are both the last node in the list
- (c) `dummy.next` is the last node in the list and `dummy.prev` is the first node in the list
- ☒ (d) `dummy.next` is the first node in the list and `dummy.prev` is the last node in the list
- (e) None of the above is true

27. Consider the correctness of the following two methods that add a node `u` before the node `p` in a `DLList`.

```
protected Node add(Node u, Node p) {
    u.next = p;
    u.prev = p.prev;
    u.next.prev = u;
    u.prev.next = u;
    n++;
    return u;
}
```

```
protected Node add(Node u, Node p) {
    u.next = p;
    u.next.prev = u;
    u.prev = p.prev;
    u.prev.next = u;
    n++;
    return u;
}
```

← now $p.\text{prev} = u$, so we set $u.\text{prev} = u$ #

- ☒ (a) The first method is correct
- (b) The second method is correct
- (c) Neither method is correct
- (d) Both methods are correct
- (e) Both (c) and (d)

28. What is the running-time of `add(i,x)` and `remove(i)` in a `DLList`?

- (a) $O(1 + i)$ and $O(1 + i)$, respectively
- (b) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively
- (c) $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$ and $O(1)$, respectively
- ☒ (d) $O(1 + \min\{i, \text{size}() - i\})$ and $O(1 + \min\{i, \text{size}() - i\})$, respectively
- (e) $O(1)$ and $O(1 + \text{size}() - i)$, respectively

29. If we place n distinct elements into a hash table of size m using a good hash function, how many elements do we expect to find in each table position?

- ☒ (a) $O(n/m)$
- (b) $O(m/n)$
- (c) $O(n)$
- (d) $O(m)$

(e) $O(nm)$

30. Recall the multiplicative hash function `hash(x) = (x.hashCode() * z) >>> w-d`, where w is the number of bits in an integer. How large is the table that is used with this hash function? (In other words, what is the *range* of this hash function?)

(a) $\{0, \dots, 2^d\}$

☒ (b) $\{0, \dots, 2^d - 1\}$

(c) $\{0, \dots, 2^{w-d}\}$

(d) $\{0, \dots, 2^{w-d} - 1\}$

(e) $\{0, \dots, 2^w - 1\}$

31. In more standard mathematical notation, the above hash function can be written as (here `div` denotes integer division without any remainder)

(a) $\text{hash}(x) = (x.\text{hashCode()} \cdot z) \text{ div } 2^{w-d}$

☒ (b) $\text{hash}(x) = ((x.\text{hashCode()} \cdot z) \bmod 2^w) \text{ div } 2^{w-d}$

(c) $\text{hash}(x) = ((x.\text{hashCode()} \cdot z) \bmod 2^w) \text{ div } 2^d$

(d) $\text{hash}(x) = ((x.\text{hashCode()} \cdot z) \bmod 2^{w-d}) \text{ div } 2^d$

(e) $\text{hash}(x) = ((x.\text{hashCode()} \cdot z) \bmod 2^{w-d}) \text{ div } 2^{w-d}$

32. Consider the following implementation of a `hashCode()` method that uses the bitwise exclusive-or (`^`) operator

```
public class Point2D {
    Double x, y;
    ...
    public int hashCode() {
        return x.hashCode() ^ y.hashCode();
    }
}
```

Which of the following statements are true about two instances `p` and `q` of a `Point2D`?

(a) `p.hashCode() = 0` if `p.x = p.y` ✓

(b) `p.hashCode() ≠ q.hashCode()` if `p.x ≠ q.y` or `p.y ≠ q.x`

(c) `p.hashCode() = q.hashCode()` if `p.x = q.y` and `p.y = q.x` ✓

(d) Both (a) and (b) are true

☒ (e) Both (a) and (c) are true

33. Consider the following implementation of a `hashCode()` method

```
public class Point2D {
    Double x, y;
    ...
    public int hashCode() {
        return x.hashCode() + y.hashCode();
    }
}
```


Which of the following statements are true about two instances p and q of a `Point2D`?

- (a) `p.hashCode() = 0` if `p.x = p.y`
- (b) `p.hashCode() \neq q.hashCode()` if `p.x \neq q.y` or `p.y \neq q.x`
- ☒ (c) `p.hashCode() = q.hashCode()` if `p.x = q.y` and `p.y = q.x`
- (d) Both (a) and (b) are true
- (e) Both (a) and (c) are true

34. Consider the following implementation of a `hashCode()` method

```
public class Point2D {  
    Double x, y;  
    ...  
    public int hashCode() {  
        return 37*x.hashCode() + y.hashCode();  
    }  
}
```

Which of the following statements are true about two instances p and q of a `Point2D`?

- (a) `p.hashCode() = 0` if `p.x = p.y` **X**
- (b) `p.hashCode() \neq q.hashCode()` if `p.x \neq q.y` or `p.y \neq q.x` **X**
- (c) `p.hashCode() = q.hashCode()` if `p.x = q.y` and `p.y = q.x` **X**
- (d) Both (a) and (b) are true
- (e) Both (a) and (c) are true

*no correct answer
— not marked*

35. Below is a portrait of



- (a) Robert Endre Tarjan
- ☒ (b) Carl Friedrich Gauss
- (c) Zeno of Elea
- (d) Pat Morin wearing a Robert Endre Tarjan mask
- (e) Michiel Smid wearing a Zeno of Elea costume