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**First Exam**  
CS 331 — Data Structures  
Spring 2014  
Friday, October 10, 2014 15:15–16:30

This is a **closed book** and **closed notes** exam.  
You are **not** allowed to use calculators or computers during this exam.  
Do **ALL** problems in this booklet. Read each question very carefully.  
You may detach pages, but **you must return all pages of this exam**.  
Your exam will be digitized for grading. **The back sides of pages will be considered scratch paper, and will be ignored for grading.** If you need extra space to write an answer, “overflow” sheets are provided at the end of the exam.

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## Multiple Choice

Each question has exactly one correct answer. **You are allowed to select more than one answer.** You get one point for showing up to the exam, three points for circling the correct answer, and lose one point for every incorrect answer you circle. Thus, leaving a question blank will score one point. Circling the correct answer and an incorrect answer scores three points. Circling three incorrect answers scores negative two points. Thus, you can get partial credit, but you will be penalized for guessing.

If the idea of negative points scares you, circle only one answer for each problem and it will score exactly like a traditional multiple choice exam.

Select your choice by circling the corresponding letter. If you make a mistake, draw an “X” through the choice. If you really mess it up, cross them all out and draw a box clearly labeled with your answer. In the event that your answer is hard to read, all reasonable interpretations will be used. For example, a letter that looks like both an ‘a’ and a ‘d’ will be considered both. So be neat.

### Question 1)<sub>1260</sub> (4 points)

What is an abstract data type?

- a) a class that has some methods undefined, and cannot be instantiated directly.
- b) a type in which the implementation is hidden, and access given via a public interface.
- c) a class that has private methods.
- d) a type that implements virtual memory rather than physical memory.

### Question 2)<sub>1261</sub> (4 points)

Which of the following is **not** a benefit of abstract data types?

- a) ensure the integrity of the representation of the data
- b) enables users to reason about the concept rather than the implementation
- c) causes the code to be self-documenting
- d) can change implementation without breaking programs that use it

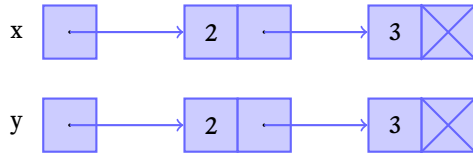
**Question 3)**<sub>127f</sub> (4 points)

Suppose we have this Clojure code.

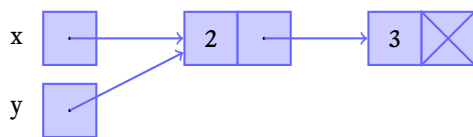
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1      (def x (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
2      (def y (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
```

Which memory diagram best describes the result?

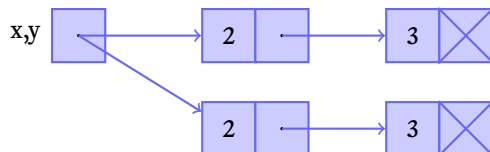
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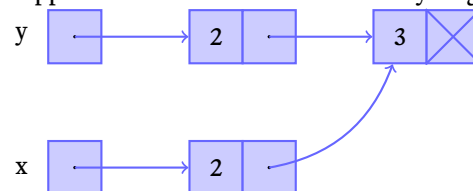
c)



d)

**Question 4)**<sub>127e</sub> (4 points)

Suppose we want to create this memory diagram.



Which code sequence can do this?

```
a)  (def x (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
2    (def y (cons 2 x))
```

```
b)  (def x (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
2    (def y x)
```

```
c)  (def x (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
2    (def y (rest x))
```

```
d)  (def y (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))
2    (def x (rest y))
```

**Question 5)**<sub>1265</sub> (4 points)

If you have a mutable singly linked list with a `last` pointer, which operation can be done more quickly than a mutable singly linked list without a `last` pointer?

- a) insert at beginning
- b) insert at end
- c) delete from beginning
- d) delete from end

**Question 6)**<sub>1264</sub> (4 points)

If you have a persistent singly linked list, where is the most efficient place to insert a new element?

- a) the beginning
- b) the end
- c) it depends on whether or not you have a `last` pointer
- d) all inserts are the same

**Question 7)**<sub>127d</sub> (4 points)

The “delete by relinking” method has trouble if a certain kind of element needs to be deleted. Which one is it?

- a) the first element
- b) the last element
- c) an element that is duplicated
- d) an element that is shared

**Question 8)**<sub>1267</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity of reversing a linked list?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c) amortized  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

**Question 9)**<sub>1268</sub> (4 points)

Suppose I need a list, and I know how large it will be in advance, and that the elements in it will not change much. What implementation is best?

- a) array list
- b) persistent singly linked list
- c) mutable singly linked list
- d) mutable doubly linked list

**Question 10)**<sub>126a</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity for deleting an element from a persistent doubly linked list?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

**Question 11)**<sub>1269</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity of deleting an element from a mutable doubly linked list?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

**Question 12)**<sub>127c</sub> (4 points)

What data structure is a LIFO?

- a) array list
- b) linked list
- c) stack
- d) queue

**Question 13)**<sub>126c</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity for dequeue for a standard queue?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c) amortized  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

**Question 14)**<sub>126e</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity for push for a standard stack?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c) amortized  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

**Question 15)**<sub>126d</sub> (4 points)

What is the time complexity for dequeue for a standard queue?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c) amortized  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

**Question 16)**<sub>126f</sub> (4 points)

Which of the following is **not** a good implementation for a queue?

- a) a persistent linked list
- b) two persistent linked lists
- c) a mutable linked list
- d) an array/vector

**Question 17)**<sub>1270</sub> (4 points)

If you want to use an array/vector to implement a stack, what do you need?

- a) a stack pointer to point to the first available space
- b) a stack pointer to point to the last element inserted
- c) a stack pointer to point to the first element inserted
- d) a secondary vector to handle overflow

**Question 18)**<sub>1271</sub> (4 points)

What is the purpose of a sentinel?

- a) eliminate boundary conditions
- b) guard against overflow
- c) makes doubly linked lists work in persistent environments
- d) makes binary search trees work in persistent environments

**Question 19)**<sub>1273</sub> (4 points)

What is the worst case time complexity for inserting something into a binary search tree?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$

**Question 20)**<sub>1272</sub> (4 points) What is the expected time complexity for inserting something into a binary search tree?

- a)  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
- b)  $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
- c)  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- d)  $\mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$

**Question 21)**<sub>127b</sub> (4 points)

What is a sequence of insertions that cause worst-case behavior for binary search trees?

- a) 7,6,5,4,3,2,1
- b) 1,4,2,6,3,5,7
- c) 4,2,6,1,3,5,7
- d) 4,6,2,7,5,3,1

**Question 22)**<sub>1276</sub> (4 points)

If you delete a node from a BST, and the node has two children, what should you do?

- a) replace the node with `nil`
- b) replace the node with the child
- c) replace the node with an inorder successor or predecessor
- d) replace the node with the parent

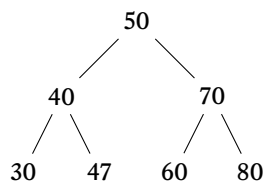
**Question 23)**<sub>1275</sub> (4 points)

If you delete a node from a BST, and the node has one child, what should you do?

- a) replace the node with `nil`
- b) replace the node with the child
- c) replace the node with an inorder successor or predecessor
- d) replace the node with the parent

**Question 24)**<sub>127a</sub> (4 points)

Consider the following tree:

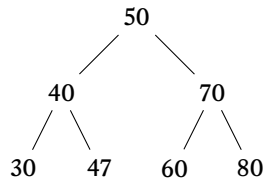


Which node is the inorder predecessor to 50?

- a) 47
- b) 60
- c) 70
- d) 80

**Question 25)**<sub>1279</sub> (4 points)

Consider the following tree:



If we insert a 55, where will it go?

- a) as a right child of 60
- b) as a left child of 60
- c) as a left child of 70 and a parent of 60
- d) as a left child of 80