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Self-Assessment Test Theme 2

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The following BNF grammar defines the syntax of a programming language:

<Bool> ::= True | False

<Num> ::= 0|1|2|3

<Inst> ::= skip | if <Bool> then <Num> else <Num> | Inst ; Inst

Which of the following expressions is legal (i.e., it can be generated using the previous grammar)?

- ☐ A. if True then 2 else 4;
- ☐ B. if True then 2
- ☐ C. if 1 then 2 else 4
- ☒ D. if True then 1 else 2

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Which of the following statements is false?

- ☐ A.
A lexical analyzer (scanner) is a program that splits a string (the program) in a sequence of primitive syntactic components or tokens.
- ☒ B. The dynamic semantics of the language is checked during one of the compilation phases
- ☐ C. A parser is a program that recognizes a sequence of tokens and builds a sequence of instructions.
- ☐ D. A semantic analyzer is a program that checks the static semantics of language.

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Two programs **P1** and **P2** are *equivalent* ($P1 \approx P2$) if they have the same semantics. Considering the *big step* operational semantics as a basis to define such an equivalence, which of the following equivalence statements is **TRUE**?

- ☒ A. $(x := 5; \text{while } x > 2 \text{ do } x := x - 1) \approx (x := 1; x := x + x)$
- ☐ B. $(P1 \approx P2)$, siendo

P1: $x := 0; y := 2;$
 if false then $x := y$ else $y := x;$
 $x := y;$

P2: $x := 0; y := 2;$
 if false then $x := y$ else $\{y := x; x := y\};$

- ☐ C. $(x := 1; \text{while } x < 2 \text{ do } x := x + 3) \approx (x := 1)$
- ☐ D. $(x := 1; y := 3; \text{if } x \leq y \text{ then } x := 0 \text{ else } x := 1) \approx (x := 1; y := 3)$

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Consider the following program *S*:

$x := 0;$
 $y := -1;$
 if $x > 0$ then $y := 1$ else $x := 0;$

and the specification given by the precondition $P = \text{true}$ and postcondition $Q = (y > 0)$. Which of the following claims is **TRUE**?

- ☐ A. No initial state satisfies the precondition *P*.
- ☒ B.

The program does **NOT** satisfy the specification, that is, there is an initial state that satisfies the precondition but the final state which is obtained after executing the program does not satisfy the postcondition.

- ☐ C. Starting from any initial state, the postcondition *Q* will always be true on the obtained final state.
 - ☐ D. The final values of variables *x* and *y* depend on their values in the initial state.
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Which is the most appropriate semantic style for program verification?

- ☐ A. Small-step operational semantics.
- ☐ B. Small-step operational semantics.
- ☒ C. Axiomatic semantics.
- ☐ D. Denotational semantics.

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Which of the following statements concerning the semantics of programming languages is false?

- ☐ A.
In the operational semantics the meaning of the instructions may be done in two ways: small-step and big-step.
- ☐ B. The axiomatic semantics is used in some techniques for verifying imperative programs.
- ☐ C.
The operational semantics is adequate to describe the meaning of all kinds of programming languages, including declarative ones.
- ☒ D. The axiomatic semantics is a kind of operational semantics.

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Given the transition rules for the *small step* operational semantics of the **while** command:

$$\frac{\langle b, e \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}}{\langle \text{while } b \text{ do } i, e \rangle \rightarrow \langle \text{skip}, e \rangle}$$

$$\frac{\langle b, e \rangle \Rightarrow \text{true}}{\langle \text{while } b \text{ do } i, e \rangle \rightarrow \langle (i; \text{while } b \text{ do } i), e \rangle}$$

which is the configuration that follows to $\langle \text{while } X < 4 \text{ do } X := X + 1, \{X \mapsto 3\} \rangle$?

- ☐ A. $\langle \text{skip}, \{X \mapsto 4\} \rangle$
- ☐ B. $\langle \text{skip}, \{X \mapsto 3\} \rangle$
- ☒ C. $\langle X := X + 1, \text{while } X < 4 \text{ do } X := X + 1, \{X \mapsto 3\} \rangle$
- ☐ D. $\langle X := X + 1, \text{while } X < 4 \text{ do } X := X + 1, \{X \mapsto 4\} \rangle$

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Which is the function of the dynamic semantics?

- ☐ A. Detect errors related to the syntax of the language.
- ☐ B. Document the code.
- ☒ C. The same as the static semantics but the dynamic semantics checks things during execution time.
- ☐ D. Study the behaviour of the programs during execution.

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If we say that "the meaning of a language instruction i is expressed in terms of the actions taken by an abstract machine to execute it", we are defining the:

- ☐ A. axiomatic semantics
- ☒ B. operational semantics
- ☐ C. static semantics
- ☐ D. none of the previous.

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Which is the main advantage of compilers with respect to interpreters?

- ☒ A. The execution of compiled programs is faster than the execution of interpreted programs.
- ☐ B. Program development and debugging is easier.
- ☐ C. There is no advantage: interpreters do it better.
- ☐ D. The generated code is more compact than the original program but slower than the interpreted program.

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