

Question 1 – “Hello <NAME>”:

```
Syvirx@DESKTOP-DRQTLQ7 /cygdrive/f/Coding Stuff/C Mini Challenges
$ ./a
Hello, what is your name?
John Wu
Hello John Wu

Give me another name to try out scanf with
Kevin Kree
Hello, Kevin Kree
```

- a. I actually used `fgets()`, because I saw that it had no buffer overflow protection on stack overflow. I'm quite forgetful like that. I found that with `scanf()` that the entry would end when you put a space. I got rid of this by having an extra field to accept more string entries, but more elegantly you could accept space characters or go until a new line (`\n`) is detected. This is exactly what I did with `scanf()`, I made my `scanf` continue until it reached the new line character.

## Question 2 – Archimedes Algorithm

```
perimeter = 6.000000
Finished calculation of pi for polygon of 6 sides in: 0.000000 milliseconds
Current Pi estimate: 3.000000
perimeter = 6.211657
Finished calculation of pi for polygon of 12 sides in: 1.003000 milliseconds
Current Pi estimate: 3.105829
perimeter = 6.265257
Finished calculation of pi for polygon of 24 sides in: 46.886000 milliseconds
Current Pi estimate: 3.132629
perimeter = 6.278700
Finished calculation of pi for polygon of 48 sides in: 47.554000 milliseconds
Current Pi estimate: 3.139350
perimeter = 6.282064
Finished calculation of pi for polygon of 96 sides in: 48.259000 milliseconds
Current Pi estimate: 3.141032
Finished program, total time elapsed: 48.959000 milliseconds
```

- a. I timed my program using the struct timeval and the function call gettimeofday() to get the time in micro seconds, then I divided the result by 1000 to get it in milliseconds.
- b. I had some issues with precision for a while, but after rereading the slides, I realized that I was dividing by integers and not floats, which made all the difference.

\*PS: I wasn't sure if I was supposed to do both circumscribed and inscribed, so I tried doing the inscribed circle as well, but I couldn't quite figure it out.

Question 3 – Mat X Vec:

```
$ ./a
The results of the cross product are: 18817.000000 18431.000000 5967.000000 1668
6.000000 25429.000000 18817.000000 16835.000000 17175.000000 25000.000000 14060.
000000
Total time for computation: 2.382000
```

- a. I allocated and accessed my Matrix by making a matrix variable that was a single array, and I placed the subsequent values as a pointer to another array.
- b. I had no challenges reading my file, I used the fgets and sscanf functions to do most of my file reading operations. I also used strtol to a limited capacity.
- c. There was nothing really special about the actual computation, it just worked the same way matrix multiplication always has.
- d. I just timed it with the sys\time.h gettimeofday and timeval struct. I did not check for dynamic memory succession, I would've added a check to make sure it didn't return null if I did, however. I only checked to make sure the two could be multiplied together, I did not make sure that the vector was a 1xn array.

#### Question 4 - Speed of Computations:

```
Time for the multiplication to finish: 0.000000  
Time for the division to finish: 0.000020  
Time for the sqrt to finish: 0.000280  
Time for the sine to finish: 0.000260
```

- a. My timing strategy was to compute 50 runs of each computation and take the average using the `timeval` struct and `gettimeofday` function.
- b. No, multiplication is faster than division, which is faster than `sqrt()`, which is faster than `sin()` on average. I think the differences lie with how the computer actually computes these functions, and my assumption that each process uses multiple uses of the ones that precede it.

Question 5 Part A - Statically Allocated Array:

```
jsw4111@Diophantus:~/wu_john/C_Mini_Challenges$ valgrind --leak-check=yes ./myproga
==31339== Memcheck, a memory error detector
==31339== Copyright (C) 2002-2017, and GNU GPL'd, by Julian Seward et al.
==31339== Using Valgrind-3.13.0 and LibVEX; rerun with -h for copyright info
==31339== Command: ./myproga
==31339==
Row Major: sum = 8143.619987 and Clock Ticks are 1499
Column Major: sum = 16287.239974 and Clock Ticks are 1112
==31339==
==31339== HEAP SUMMARY:
==31339==     in use at exit: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==31339==   total heap usage: 1 allocs, 1 frees, 1,024 bytes allocated
==31339==
==31339== All heap blocks were freed -- no leaks are possible
==31339==
==31339== For counts of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -v
==31339== ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
```

Question 5 Part B - Dynamically Allocated Array:

```
jsw4111@Diophantus:~/wu_john/C_Mini_Challenges$ valgrind --leak-check=yes myprogb 128
valgrind: myprogb: command not found
jsw4111@Diophantus:~/wu_john/C_Mini_Challenges$ valgrind --leak-check=yes ./myprogb 128
==31767== Memcheck, a memory error detector
==31767== Copyright (C) 2002-2017, and GNU GPL'd, by Julian Seward et al.
==31767== Using Valgrind-3.13.0 and LibVEX; rerun with -h for copyright info
==31767== Command: ./myprogb 128
==31767==
n is: 128
Row Major: sum = 8143.619987 and Clock Ticks are 1498
Column Major: sum = 16287.239974 and Clock Ticks are 1221
==31767==
==31767== HEAP SUMMARY:
==31767==     in use at exit: 131,072 bytes in 1 blocks
==31767==   total heap usage: 2 allocs, 1 frees, 132,096 bytes allocated
==31767==
==31767== 131,072 bytes in 1 blocks are definitely lost in loss record 1 of 1
==31767==    at 0x4C31B0F: malloc (in /usr/lib/valgrind/vgpreload_memcheck-amd64-linux.so)
==31767==    by 0x1087A3: main (Wu_Ex0_5_b.c:12)
==31767==
==31767== LEAK SUMMARY:
==31767==     definitely lost: 131,072 bytes in 1 blocks
==31767==     indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==31767==     possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==31767==     still reachable: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==31767==           suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==31767==
==31767== For counts of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -v
==31767== ERROR SUMMARY: 1 errors from 1 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
```

- The differences are that dynamic requires you to free the variable.
- Between column major and row major, depending on your allocation scheme, the second major is more time inefficient. I think this is because when you follow the first major, you just read line by line, but with the second major, you kind of jump around, pointing from a memory cell ahead of your next one, needing to jump back.