

# *COS212 (Data Structures and Algorithms)*

## *Tutorial Exercise 2*

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### **Question 1** Self-Organizing Lists.....(8 marks)

1.1 [2 points] The following list uses the **Transpose** self-organizing strategy:

A -> B -> C -> M -> N -> O

Give the final order of elements in the list after the following elements have been accessed/added: C, M, A, D, D, E and M

1.2 [6 points] Assume the following **Node** class is defined:

```
public class Node<T> {  
    public Node (T d, Node<T> n) { data = d; next = n; }  
    public Node<T> next;  
    public T data;  
}
```

The **Node** class is used to implement a self-organizing list using the **Move-to-front** strategy for node accesses. The class has a single **head** reference to the first element in the list. Implement the following public method which will search for the given element in the list, and update the list accordingly:

```
Node<T> access(T elem) {...}
```

### **Question 2** Recursion ..... (5 marks)

2.1 [5 points] Consider the following recursive method:

```
public int method (int x, int y)  
{  
    if ((y <= x) && (x % y == 0)) return y;  
    if (x < y) return method(y, x);  
    return method(y, x % y);  
}
```

Write down the series of method calls (first to last) in the form of **method(x,y)**, where **x** and **y** are substituted for parameter values, should this method be called initially with the parameters **x = 43** and **y = 34**.