

System and Device Programming

Standard Exam

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Ex 1 (1.5 points)

Analyze the following code snippet in C++. Indicate the possible output or outputs obtained by executing the program.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <algorithm>

using namespace std;

const int N = 3;

int main() {
    vector<string> v = {"this", "is", "a", "c++", "vector", "of", "strings", "!!!"};
    int n = count_if(v.begin(), v.end(), [](string s) {
        return (s.length() > N);
    });
    cout << n;
    return 0;
}
```

Choose one or more options:

- ☐ The program displays the value 4.
- ☐ The program displays the value 2.
- ☐ The program does not run as it contains a bug.
- ☐ The program displays the value 3.
- ☐ The variable `s` in the lambda function is not defined.
- ☐ We must define the lambda function before the main program.

Ex 2 (1.5 points)

Analyze the following code snippet in C++. When the main is executed, indicate how many (standard) constructors, copy assignment operators, and destructors are called.

```
class C {
    private:
        ...
    public:
        ...
};

void f1(C e) { ... }
void f2(C &e) { ... }

int main() {
    C e1, e2;
    e2 = e1;
    C e3 = *new C;
    e2 = e3;
    return 0;
}
```

Solution

{1} [C] [C] {2} [CAO] {3} [C] [CC] {4} [CAO] {6} [D] [D] [D]

Choose one or more options:

- ☐ 3 constructors, 3 copy assignment operators, and 3 destructors.
- ☐ 3 constructors, 3 copy assignment operators, and 4 destructors.
- ☐ 2 constructors, 3 copy assignment operators, and 3 destructors.
- ☐ 3 constructors, 2 copy assignment operators, and 3 destructors.
- ☐ 2 constructors, 2 copy assignment operators, and 3 destructors.
- ☐ 3 constructors, 2 copy assignment operators, and 4 destructors.

Ex 3 (1.5 points)

Analyze the following code snippet. Indicate which of the following statements are correct. Note that wrong answers imply a penalty in the final score.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <map>
#include <string>

using namespace std;

int main() {
    map<string, int> mp;

    mp["one"] = 1;
    mp["two"] = 2;
    mp["three"] = 3;
    map<string, int>::iterator it = mp.begin();
    while (it != mp.end()) {
        cout << it->first << " " << it->second << " ";
        ++it;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Choose one or more options:

- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: one 1 two 2 three 3
- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: 1 one 3 three 2 two
- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: 1 one 2 two 3 three
- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: one 1 three 3 two 2
- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: three 3 two 2 one 1
- ☐ The program displays the following sequence: 3 three 2 two 1 one
- ☐ The program displays a sequence different from all the reported ones.

Ex 4 (2.0 points)

Illustrate the limitations of multi-threading in C++ and describe how to perform task processing. Indicate how to run a task and describe the main running policies. Report one example to illustrate the use of futures and promises, describing the meaning of the main construct and the main features of the strategy.

Ex 5 (3.25 points)

The following function computes the Fibonacci number of position `num` recursively:

```
int Fibonacci(int num){
    if (num < 2)
        return 1;
    else
        return Fibonacci(num-1) + Fibonacci(num-2);
}
```

Write a complete concurrent C++ program, producing the same result, using tasks, futures, and promises. In particular, implement a program properly replacing the recursive calls to the Fibonacci function with new task activations.

Ex 6 (3.25 points)

Implement a program in C++ running three threads:

- The first thread loops indefinitely and, for each iteration, generates an atom of Chlorine (Cl); a new atom is created randomly in a time range varying from 0 to 5 seconds.
- The second thread loops indefinitely and, for each iteration, generates an atom of Sodium (Na); a new atom is created randomly in a time range varying from 0 to 5 seconds.
- The third thread produces a sodium chloride molecule (NaCl) whenever a Na atom and a Cl atom are available.

Once a molecule of NaCl is created, the entire process restarts. Use semaphores, mutex, and, eventually, condition variables, to synchronize the three threads:

Ex 7 (2.0 points)

Indicate the main strategy to perform IO multiplexing in C++ and compare it with all possible alternatives to obtain similar implementations. Report an example describing those techniques, reporting the advantages and disadvantages of each strategy.