

Quiz 8 (Last one. You did it!) (Fall 2019)

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Please Answer in complete sentences:

1) What library do we include to allow access to the threading class? (1)

The library we include to allow access to the threading class is `<thread>`.

2) What is a race condition in terms of multi threading? (3)

A race condition is when 2 or more threads attempt to update the same memory location at the same time.

It can also be when two processes attempt to write to the same file at the same time.

3) What is a deadlock in terms of multi threading? (3)

A deadlock occurs when threads are waiting on each other to finish execution. This will cause the threads to be blocked indefinitely.

4) What is a process and what is a thread? (3)

A process is an instance of a program executed on a host platform.

A thread is a sequence of instructions that are executed independently by the OS's scheduler. They are light-weight processes that belong to a process.

Bonus Question: What in your opinion was the hardest topic/concept in oop345 this semester? If you could change 1 thing in the course what would it be? (1)

- The hardest topic this semester in my opinion was this week's topic. I never understood multithreading when I tried to learn it on my own time before coming to Seneca.
- If I were to change 1 thing in this course I would be reducing the amount

Quiz 7 (Second last one. You can do it!) (Fall 2019)

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Please Answer in complete sentences:

- 1) If a raw pointer is a built-in type that holds an address in memory, and a smart pointer wraps raw pointers: what type of pointer have we mostly been using in this class? (2)

The pointer we have been mostly using is a raw pointer.

- 2) Explain the dangers of a raw pointer with dynamic memory going out of scope? (3)

It is the programmer's responsibility to manage memory pointed to by a raw pointer. A raw pointer that points to dynamic memory (a resource) must be deallocated before the pointer goes out of scope. If the pointer goes out of scope we lose the address of the dynamic memory.

- 3) Explain the dangers of a unique smart pointer going out of scope? (3)

The dangers of a unique smart pointer involves the memory leak. The fact that if a raw pointer was pointing to the same address, that raw pointer will not be set to null when the resource/object is deallocated by the unique smart pointer. Instead it is just left with pointer without any indication.

- 4) What library are unique_ptr and shared_ptr a part of? Hint: (std:: is not the answer I'm looking for)(2)

The `std::unique_ptr<>` is a template and the `std::shared_ptr<>` is a class template. They are defined in the `<memory>` header file.

Bonus Question: What Stream object did we suggest using in the last Workshop?(1)

`stringstream` was suggested to be used in the last workshop.

Quiz 6 (Fall 2019)

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1) Which file stream class allows for both write and read access to a file? (3)

fstream allows for both write and read access to a file.

2) If I have an ostream object called fout, how can I check that there is a successful connection to the file I want to write to? (3)

To check if the object successfully connected to the file you can either call the is_open() member function or call the overload ! operator right after attempting to open

3) Look at the code below, what is a major difference between variable refWrap and refPoint? open

How does calling them differ? (2)

```
int a = 5;
std::reference_wrapper<int> refWrap = a;
int* refPoint = &a;
```

refWrap directly modify a.
↑
refPoint stores the address of a. In order to access the value of a, the address must be followed (dereferenced). This can sometimes cause confusion syntax.

refWrap object stores a reference to the integer variable a. The refWrap object can directly access the value of a without the need of dereferencing an address. A reference stored in a reference_wrapper is essentially a pointer that is already dereferenced which simplifies syntax.

Bonus Question: In your opinion, what was the hardest part of the midterm and why? (1)

The hardest part of the midterm was the programming section. This is because it is sometimes difficult to remember syntax without the compiler now being able to tell you if code is correct.

Quiz 5 (Fall 2019)

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1) What is an iterator in terms of containers? (1)

An iterator provides a way to traverse a data structure that is not stored contiguously in memory. They are used to simulate sequential access.

2) Lists have sub-optimal storage. Why is that so, when compared to vectors and deques? (2)

Lists have sub-optimal storage as they are not optimised for fast access. Lists must iterate sequentially through the elements every time in order to retrieve data. Unlike vectors and deques which can use the subscripting operation for faster access.

3) What is a Deque? How does it manage its storage? (2)

A deque is a doubly-ended queue data structure. The data structure is optimised for insertions and deletions at either end of the data structure. It is stored in dynamic memory (free store) and can change its size as needed.

4) What is a vector? How does it differ from other containers? (2)

A vector is a dynamic array data structure. The data structure is optimised for insertions and deletions at the end of data structure. Unlike the other containers this container is guaranteed to be stored contiguously in memory.

5) When talking about Stacks vs Queues, how does each one retrieve and remove its data? (3)

Stack is a data structure that works in LIFO context. Elements at the top of the stack (last entered) are removed first.

Queue is a data structure that works in FIFO context. Elements entered first are removed first.

Bonus Question: What happens if I ran this code? `int * a; delete[] a; (1)`

run-time error as you are de-allocating memory that does not belong to you. You don't know.

Quiz 4 (Fall 2019)

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1) For this lambda expression: `[] () {}` Tell me what each pair of brackets do? (3)

`[]`



Capture list
identifies access
specification for non-local
variables

`()`



parameter
list

`{ }`



contains
the body
of the lambda
expression

2) What typing do you need when assigning a lambda to a variable? Why? (2)

auto ← we always access functions indirectly. Any time we call a function we transfer control to its address in memory. Therefore, if we wish to store the lambda in a variable we must make it a function pointer type. auto simplifies syntax.

3) What does a recursive function need/require to finish the code? What happens if a recursive function runs too many times? (2)

A recursive function requires an exit condition to terminate the function.

If a recursive function runs too many times it will cause a stack overflow.

4) In exception handling what 2 parts do we need when reporting and handling errors? What do they do? (3)

exception reporting
throw (expression)
reports an exception to be (hopefully) caught by an catch block

handling errors
try block → contains code that could throw an exception
catch block(s) → contains code that handles a particular exception based on the type specified in the parentheses after the catch keyword.

Bonus Question: If I have $x = 5$, and $y = !!(x)$, what is the value of x ? What is the value of y ? (1)

$x = !!(5)$
 $y = !(0)$
 $y = 1$

$x = 5$

Quiz 3 (Fall 2019)

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Instructions: I am looking for 1 - 2 sentence answers, not full paragraphs 20 min total.

1) Explain the creation/destruction of objects with an association. Ex. An object called **Player** is associated with a **Team** (3)

An association is a relationship where one class does not own the other. They are independent of each other. This means the relating class manages construction and destruction on their own. Construction and destruction of the related type occurs outside of the class.

2) Explain the creation/destruction of objects with aggregation. Ex. An object called **School** may have objects of **Students**. (2)

Aggregation is a composition where a class does not manage the construction and destruction of the aggregate type. Construction and destruction of the aggregate type occurs outside of the class.

3) Explain the creation/destruction of objects with composition. Ex. An object called **buildings** has/is composed of an object called **rooms**. (2)

Composition involves complete ownership of an object. This means the composer class is responsible for the construction and destruction of its component before it destroys itself.

4) If we have a variable `int i = 5`, one of these operations work and one doesn't. Which one works and why doesn't the other one work? (3)

A. `++(++i)`

B. `(i++)++`

A will work as the pre-fix increment operator requires an lvalue, pre-fix increment returns an lvalue allowing the statement to work. B will not work as it++ returns a value when the operator should be an lvalue to work.

Bonus Question: How can you swap the values of two ints without a third variable or functions? (1)

```
int a = 5;
int b = 6;
a = b - a;
b = b - a;
a = b + a;
```


Quiz 2 (Fall 2019)

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Instructions: This is a simple quiz; you have 15 min to write it. I am looking for 1 - 2 sentence answers, not full paragraphs.

- 1) What is the difference between a Concrete type and an Abstract type? (2) ³ type
- Concrete type - complete that can be instantiated as the definition is known. Used to provide detail that abstract classes do not give.
- Abstract type - Incomplete type that is missing details cannot be instantiated as definition is unknown.
- 2) What 2 things do you need to make a pure virtual function and describe what each does? (4) ⁴

Virtual

Virtual keyword allows for dynamic dispatch

= 0

Identifies function as pure (no definition will be associated with this declaration)

- 3) What are the 2 admissible types (types that allow for substitution) for a template parameters. E.g. template <????> ... (2) ²

2 admissible types that allow for substitution are type template parameters (typename and class) and non-type template parameters (ex, integer or enum type)

- 4) How can we specify a default value for a template? (2) ²
- Similar syntax to default value for function parameters, set parameter identifier equal to a value
- ex: template < typename T = long, int size

Bonus Question: What was the main cause of the WS1 submitter problem? (1)

one directory in the path to the files was missing the execute permission for the users

Quiz 1 (Fall 2019)

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Instructions: This is a simple quiz; you have 15 min to write it. I am looking for 1 – 2 sentence answers, not full paragraphs.

1) Simply Explain the difference between a Signed and Unsigned variable. How does their range capacity differ (what max/min values can they hold)? (4)

Signed variables can store negative values, 0, and positive values.
Unsigned variables can store 0 and positive values.

2) What is the difference between a Lvalue and a Rvalue? Or when would you use them? (2)

Lvalue is a value that can be used as an operand in an expression which an Rvalue cannot.
 $a = a + b$ (Lvalue) $a = var++$ (Rvalue) $(var++)++$ (illegal)

3) Why would you use a move copy constructor or a move assignment operator instead of the regular copy constructor or assignment operator? (3)

if an object is about to go out of scope (leaving a function) and be returned instead of copying the returned result we can move the contents for efficiency.

4) How do we specify variable inference when creating a new variable. What 2 parts do we need? (1)

$auto i = 7$

① keyword

② initial value

Bonus Question: What does the = operator return? (in most cases) (1)

A reference to the left operand