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| **Department of Computer Science** |

**Independent Completion Form**

I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ declare that I have completed this assignment completely and entirely on my own, without any consultation with others. I have read the UAB Academic Honor Code and understand that any breach of the Honor Code may result in severe penalties.

Student signature/initials: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

## Academic Integrity Code

The University of Alabama at Birmingham expects all members of its academic community to function according to the highest ethical and professional standards. Students, faculty, and the administration of the institution must be involved to ensure this quality of academic conduct. Please review UAB’s Academic Integrity Code located at

<https://www.uab.edu/one-stop/policies/academic-integrity-code>

Violations of this honor code will result in a variety of sanctions as provided in the Code. A minor offense may result in a reduced grade for the associated assignment or homework. A major offense may, at a minimum, result in the failure of the course. Repeat offenders may be expelled from UAB.

It is important to note that

1. “All students are expected to be familiar with the Academic Integrity Code and abide by it. By their continued enrollment at the University, students reaffirm their pledge to adhere to the provisions of the Academic Integrity Code.”
2. Unauthorized assistance from third parties including a commercial service such as chegg.com or engaging another person (whether paid or unpaid) constitutes an act of cheating and is interpreted as a major offense in the Academic Integrity Code, resulting in F in the course (see chart below). Further, students are prohibited from posting homework, assignments or examination questions to non-UAB web sites without explicit authorization by the instructor.
3. UAB requires both faculty and students uphold the standards for academic integrity. Students who witness academic misconduct have a duty to report it.

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| **Suggested Penalties for Violations of Different Severity**  **(Page 21 of Academic Integrity Code)** | | | |
| **1st offense minor** | **1st offense moderate**  **2nd offense minor** | **1st offense major**  **2ndoffense moderate**  **3rd offense any** | **PROPOSED SANCTION** |
|  |  |  | Academic Integrity workshop |
|  |  |  | Reduced grade on assignment |
|  |  |  | Additional Course Work |
|  |  |  | Opportunity to revise/repeat |
|  |  |  | Failure of Assignment |
|  |  |  | Reduced course grade |
|  |  |  | F in Course |
|  |  |  | Academic Probation |
|  |  |  | Academic Suspension |
|  |  |  | Academic Expulsion |

Please also review UAB Student Code of Conduct at the linked below:

<https://www.uab.edu/students/accountability/student-conduct-code>

<https://www.uab.edu/policies/content/Pages/UAB-UC-POL-0000781.html>

**IMPORTANT:** Assignments may be submitted to plagiarizing detection software, such as Turnitin or MOSS. Turnitin is a comprehensive digital repository of potentially plagiarize material and MOSS is a system designed to detect source code plagiarism <https://theory.stanford.edu/~aiken/moss/>. Your work may be stored in those databases and used as a reference for future comparisons.

Students who plagiarize a computer program (or parts of a program), get others to write a program (or parts of a program), or are found cheating on a quiz/exam, will be reported for academic dishonesty.

**UAB CS Honor Code**

Please read UAB Academic Honor Code is carefully. Violations of this honor code will result in a variety of actions as provided in the Code. The minimum penalty is 0 on the entire associated homework/exam. Second offense will result in a 'F,' and possibly including expulsion from UAB (as the case is forwarded to the ethics board).

Specifically, the Department enforces the following "3 Strikes, You're Out" penalty escalation procedure for its undergraduate programs:

If it's the first violation of the UAB Academic Honor Code by a student, the student may receive a zero (0) mark for the particular assignment or homework.

If it's the second violation, the student may receive an F grade for the course.

If it's the third violation, the student may be referred to appropriate college and university level disciplinary committees. Penalties the student receives may include expulsion from UAB.

For a graduate student, the Department enforces the following "2 Strikes, You're Out" penalty escalation procedure for its graduate programs, the program in which the student is enrolled may choose to expel the student from the university on the first offense while taking comprehensive examinations, performing research, preparing manuscripts or generally during the performance of other activities related to the process of satisfying degree requirements. For academic misconduct within the context of meeting course requirements, students will be expelled on a second offense. Further details can be found in the graduate catalog:

<http://catalog.uab.edu/graduate/academicprogress/#academicethicsandmisconducttext>

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