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This quiz contains 8 questions; make sure your copy has them all. This is a closed-book quiz.  
Write all your answers in these question sheets.

1. Consider the following code fragment.

```
class Pair
{
public:
    Pair();
    Pair(int firstVal, int secondVal);
    void setFirst(int newVal);
    void setSecond(int newVal);
    int getFirst() const;
    int getSecond() const;
private:
    int first; int second;
};
```

- a) The main problem with the above codes is that it allows only creation of pairs of integer values. Re-write the above codes that will allow you to create objects that are Pairs of different types of values, such as double and string values.

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```
class Pair<T>
{
public:
    Pair<T>();
    Pair<T>(T firstVal, T secondVal);
    void setFirst(T newVal);
    void setSecond(T newVal);
    T getFirst() const;
    T getSecond() const;
private:
    T first, second;
};
```



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- b) Write the code that will force the string "Test Data" to be written out into the output file outfile.txt, assuming that only local file system is used and no NFS (Network File System) is used.

`outStream.flush()`

- c) If NFS is used for the output file outfile.txt, explain why the code that you write in (b) will not ensure that the string "Test Data" will be written into the output file outfile.txt.

b/c changes to a file in a  
NFS will not be saved and  
appear until the file is  
closed

for  
everyone  
to see

- d) Write the codes that will ensure that the string "Test Data" to be written out into the output file outfile.txt, even if NFS is used.

`outStream.close()`



3. Consider the following definitions of the Employee and HourlyEmployee classes:

```
class Employee
{
public:
    virtual void retrieve_employeeInfo() { cout << "Retrieve employee Info" << endl; }
    virtual void calculate_grossPay() { cout << "Employee Gross Pay" << endl; }
    virtual void withhold_tax() { cout << "Employee Tax Withheld" << endl; }
    virtual void calculate_netPay() { cout << "Employee Net Pay" << endl; }
    void process_paycheck() { retrieve_employeeInfo(); calculate_grossPay();
                           withhold_tax(); calculate_netPay(); }
private:
    string name;
};

class HourlyEmployee : public Employee
{
public:
    void retrieve_employeeInfo () { cout << "Hourly Employee Info" << endl; }
    void calculate_grossPay() { cout << "Gross Pay using Hourly Employee Method" << endl; }
    void withhold_tax() { cout << "Tax Withheld using Hourly Employee Method " << endl; }
    void calculate_netPay() { cout << "Net Pay using Hourly Employee Method " << endl; }
private:
    double rate;
};

main()
{
    HourlyEmployee he;

    he.process_paycheck(); // Use hourly employee's method for retrieving
                          // employee info, calculate gross pay, tax withheld
                          // and the net pay.
}
```

a) Will the above codes correctly perform the intended operations in the main function? If so, explain why it is correct. If not, explain why it is incorrect.

can correct  
by making  
functions virtual;  
this results in  
process\_paycheck() calling the  
functions  
of HourlyEmployee

No, there is no HourlyEmployee  
constructor which calls upon  
the Employee constructor,  
and there is no process\_paycheck()   
w/in HourlyEmployee to override  
the Employee's method &  
use its own methods for  
retrieving data.

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b) If the above codes are correct, write the outputs that are written by the codes. If they are incorrect, re-write the above codes so that the codes in the main function will correctly perform their intended operations and write the outputs that are written by the codes that you have re-written.

```

main() {
    HourlyEmployee
    he = HourlyEmployee();
    he.process-
    payCheck();
}

class Employee {
    Employee() {}
};

class HourlyEmployee {
    HourlyEmployee() : Employee() {}
    void process-paycheck() { retrieve-employeeInfo();
        calculate-grossPay(); withhold-tax();
        calculate-netPay(); }
};

```

*virtual functions*

c) If the above codes are correct, explain the mechanism that makes them correct. If they are incorrect and you have re-written the codes in (b), explain the mechanism that makes the codes you provided operate correctly.

The new function w/in the HourlyEmployee class overrides the Employee class' process-payCheck() method to create it's own process-payCheck() method in the HourlyEmployee class that calls the other functions w/in HourlyEmployee that have already been overridden.

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4. Suppose a random access file consists of records of the StudentRec objects, where StudentRec is a user-defined class. The random access file is opened with the stream object iostream.

*virtual function → late binding*  
*virtual function table → wait to call the correct fun. when fun. is used*

a) What is the class of the iostream object?

fstream iostream;

The constructor ensures that a space for "name" of the Employee class will be created for HourlyEmployee class

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- b) Write the code fragment to position the get-pointer at the 586<sup>th</sup> StudentRec object in the file.

$586 - 1 = 585$   
`istream.seekg(585 * size of (Student Rec));`  
`istream >> SR;`  
 for reading

- c) Write the code fragment to position the put-pointer so that some subsequent code can write a StudentRec objects at the fifth StudentRec object position in the file.

$586 - 1 = 585$   
`istream.seekp(4 * size of (Student Rec));`  
`istream << SR;`  
 SK will be written  
 size of the StudentRec class / object  
 every StudentRec object is of the same class, so same size

5. Consider the following member function prototype in a Money class:  
`const Money operator +(const Money& amount) const; // version 1`

- a) What is the meaning of const at the beginning of the function prototype?

the value on the left side of the + operator can't be changed

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$sum = cost + tax;$   
 $= cost + (tax);$

the Money object can't be modified

sum money anonymous obj.

- b) What is the meaning of const at the end of the function prototype?

returns a value that can't be

f

changed

the cost parameter can't be modified



- c) Compare the above with a different overload of the operator + as follows:

```
const Money operator +(Money amount) const; // version 2
```

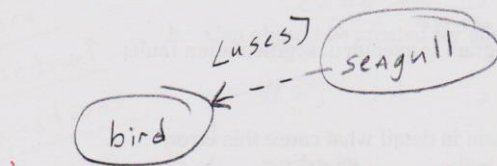
Explain why one version is more efficient than the other.

this is allowed to be changed  
which shouldn't happen; the function  
should get data not change it.

call by reference (version 1) more  
efficient; only pass the address (very  
few bytes)

6. Consider use case relationships.

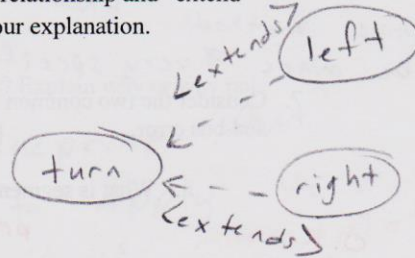
- a) What is the difference between "uses/include" relationship and "extend" relationship? Use diagrams and examples in your explanation.



seagull uses  
exact duplicates  
of methods  
from the bird class

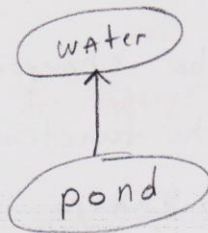
uses/includes → uses ~~duplicate~~  
A more  
common behavior  
(use case)

extend → add actions

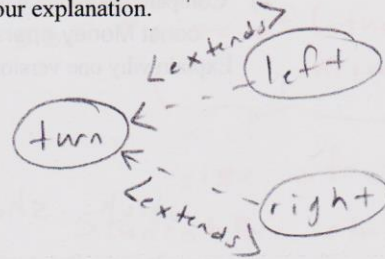


left and right  
override functions of  
the turn class to  
be tailored to the  
specifically different  
classes

- b) What is the difference between "generalization" relationship and "extend" relationship? Use diagrams and examples in your explanation.



water is a generalization of pond; has more methods; pond use same methods that can be made very specific to suit pond

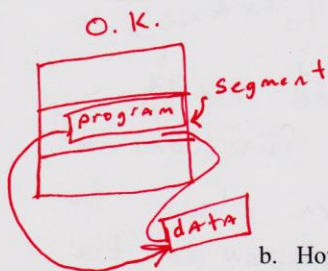


look @ (A)

generalization → a use case is on special type of another

7. Consider the two common errors when a program is executed: segmentation faults and bus error.

- a. What is segmentation fault? Explain in detail what cause this error.



problem when pointer accesses something outside the segment given to program by operating system

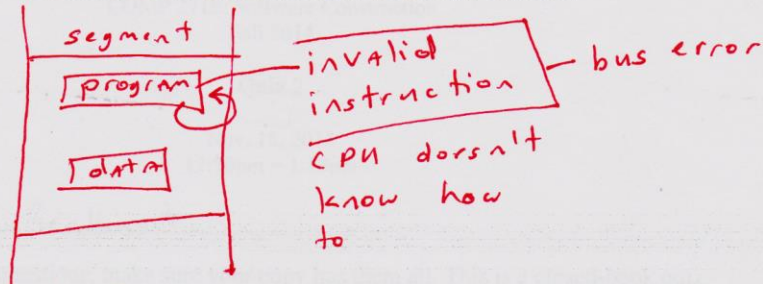


- b. How do you find which line of the code the segmentation fault occurred and what variable caused it?

gdb  
 > backtrace — or — where  
 > print pointer — if bad pointer  
 > print \*pointer



- c. What is bus error? Explain in detail what cause bus error.



8. Consider Abstract Base Class.

- a. What are abstract base classes?

A class that has all functions that are pure virtual functions

An outline that can be used for other classes to make objects without having to retype code

- b. Can objects be created for abstract base classes? Explain why or why not.

No, it is a blueprint that must be able to apply to other classes

it is made up of virtual functions that are undefined

- c. If a class is derived from an abstract base class, under what conditions will the derived class also be an abstract class? Explain.

when the derived class inherits the pure virtual functions & doesn't define them