Part I — Recognition (20)

- 1. Which best defines a data type?
 - a) A set of heterogeneous values and one operation
 - b) A homogeneous collection of values and the operations on them
 - c) A memory block reserved at run time only
 - d) A compiler directive for optimization
- 2. A type system is used primarily for:
 - a) Code formatting
 - b) Error detection and program organization
 - c) Faster I/O
 - d) GUI rendering
- 3. A type system typically includes:
 - a) Only built-in types
 - b) New-type mechanisms and rules for equivalence/compatibility/inference
 - c) Garbage collection policy only
 - d) Linker scripts
- 4. Scalar types are:
 - a) Composite and heterogeneous
 - b) Atomic and can compose other types
 - c) Only booleans and integers
 - d) Only hardware-independent
- 5. In IEEE-754 single precision, the fields are:
 - a) 1 sign, 11 exponent, 52 fraction
 - b) 1 sign, 8 exponent, 23 fraction
 - c) 0 sign, 10 exponent, 53 fraction
 - d) 1 sign, 7 exponent, 24 fraction
- 6. In an **enumeration type**, a key design issue is whether:
 - a) Enum constants may appear in more than one enum definition
 - b) The enum must start from value 100
 - c) It must be 64-bit
 - d) It must be printable only as an integer
- 7. A subrange type is:
 - a) A dynamic array
 - b) A contiguous subset of an ordinal type
 - c) Any user class
 - d) A record with only two fields
- 8. Jagged vs rectangular arrays:
 - a) Jagged use row-major, rectangular use column-major
 - b) Jagged allow rows of different lengths; rectangular have uniform shape
 - c) Rectangular are only in C++
 - d) Jagged are only in Fortran
- 9. A *slice* of an array/list is:
 - a) A deep copy only

b) A referencing mechanism for a substructure

- c) A pointer to the first element only
- d) Only valid for 1-D arrays
- 10. In row-major storage, the second subscript varies:
 - a) Slowest
 - b) Fastest
 - c) Neither
 - d) Unspecified
- 11. An associative array (map/dict) is indexed by:
 - a) Only integers
 - b) Only strings
 - c) Keys chosen by the programmer (hashable or comparable)
 - d) Memory addresses
- 12. String length strategies include:
 - a) Static, limited dynamic, and dynamic length
 - b) Only dynamic
 - c) Only static
 - d) Only limited dynamic
- 13. A record is:
 - a) Homogeneous aggregate
 - b) Heterogeneous aggregate with named fields
 - c) Linked list node
 - d) Fixed-point number
- 14. Two fundamental pointer operations are:
 - a) Hashing and concatenation
 - b) Assignment of addresses and dereferencing
 - c) Subtyping and overloading
 - d) Boxing and unboxing
- 15. A dangling pointer is:
 - a) A pointer set to null
 - b) A pointer to deallocated storage
 - c) A pointer to constant memory
 - d) A reference parameter
- 16. Compared to pointers, C++ references:
 - a) Can be reseated to another object
 - b) Can be null by default
 - c) Must be bound at initialization and cannot be reseated
 - d) Do not alias their targets
- 17. Type equivalence "by name" means two types are equivalent if:
 - a) They have identical structure only
 - b) They have the same declared type name
 - c) They occupy the same number of bytes
 - d) One can be cast to the other
- 18. *Type compatibility* is best described as:
 - a) The same as equivalence

b) Allowing a value of T wherever S is admissible under certain rules

- c) Only allowing implicit casts
- d) Only allowing explicit casts
- 19. Coercion vs cast:
 - a) Coercion is explicit; cast is implicit
 - b) Both are explicit
 - c) Coercion is implicit; cast is explicit
 - d) Neither changes representation
- 20. Polymorphism kinds include:
 - a) Ad hoc (overloading) and universal (parametric, subtyping)
 - b) Only subtyping
 - c) Only parametric
 - d) Only templates

Part II — Application (20)

- 21. The largest **signed** integer with 7 bits in two's complement is:
 - a) 63 b) 64 c) 127 d) 32
- 22. Assume char=1B, short=2B, int=4B, float=4B, 4-byte alignment. What is the size of

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struct X { char a; int b; char c; short d; };
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- a) 11 b) 12 c) 14 d) 16
- 23. Row-major 2-D array a[0..2][0..3] of 4-byte ints, base address α =1000. Address of a[2][1] is: a) 1016 b) 1024 c) 1036 d) 1048
- 24. Column-major 2-D array with 1-based indices A[1..3,1..4], 4-byte ints, base α =1000. Address of A[3,2] is:
 - a) 1008 b) 1016 c) 1020 d) 1032
- 25. The set type set of -2..13 represented by a bit chain needs how many bits?
 a) 14 b) 15 c) 16 d) 17
- 26. In C, which output is well-defined for

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union U { int data; unsigned char bt[4]; } x; x.data = 0x00007A12; printf("%u %u\n",
x.bt[0], x.bt[1]);
```

(Assume little-endian)

- a) 18 122 b) 122 18 c) 7 162 d) Implementation-defined, but on little-endian it is 18 122
- 27. For the Pascal-style 3-D array x[2..4, -3..5, -2..4] of 4-byte integers stored **column-major** (rightmost subscript varies slowest), base α . Which linearization formula is correct for address of x[i,j,k]?
 - a) $\alpha + (((i-2)*9 + (j+3))*7 + (k+2))*4$
 - b) $\alpha + (((k+2)*9 + (j+3))*3 + (i-2))*4$

c)
$$\alpha$$
 + (((j+3)*3 + (i-2))*7 + (k+2))*4
d) α + (((i-2)*7 + (k+2))*9 + (j+3))*4

- 28. With 32-bit IEEE-754 single precision, how many fraction bits are stored?
 - a) 22 b) 23 c) 24 d) 52
- 29. In most languages that allow it, char name[] = "abc"; initializes the array with length:
 - a) 3 b) 4 (including '\0') c) 5 d) Implementation-defined
- 30. Given the slice in Python:

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v = [2,4,6,8,10,12]; v[1:5:2]
```

The result is:

- a) [4,8] b) [4,6,8,10] c) [4,6,8] d) [4,8,12]
- 31. In C/C++, which statement about pointers is true?
 - a) void* can be dereferenced safely
 - b) Pointer arithmetic on int* p adds bytes, not elements
 - c) p[index] is syntactic sugar for *(p+index)
 - d) & returns the value stored at the pointer
- 32. With 1-byte char, 2-byte short, 4-byte int, structure padding often makes the final struct size:
 - a) A multiple of the smallest member's alignment
 - b) Exactly the sum of field sizes
 - c) A multiple of the largest member's alignment
 - d) Always a power of two
- 33. In C#, which pair is most accurate?
 - a) string is a primitive, fixed-length type
 - b) string is immutable and reference-semantics
 - c) string is always a 1-byte char array
 - d) string can be resized in place
- 34. Which is **not** a typical string operation listed in the handout?
 - a) Assignment b) Concatenation c) Pattern matching d) Matrix inversion
- 35. Regarding parameter passing in C++:
 - a) Reference parameters cannot alias the actuals
 - b) References can be reseated by assignment
 - c) int& r = a; binds r to a and ++r increments a
 - d) Taking address of a reference is ill-formed
- 36. For a set type implemented by a **bit chain**, membership test x in s is O(1) because:
 - a) Hashing is used
 - b) The ith bit can be masked directly
 - c) A linked list is traversed
 - d) A binary search tree is used
- 37. For dynamic arrays in C++ vector<int> v , subscripting is:
 - a) Always range-checked
 - b) Never range-checked
 - c) Range-checked by at , unchecked by operator[]
 - d) Only at compile time

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- 38. In Java, arrays are:
 - a) Value types
 - b) Reference types with runtime bounds checking
 - c) Unchecked pointer arithmetic blocks
 - d) Always jagged with different row lengths enforced
- 39. Which statement about unions is true?
 - a) Java supports C-style unions
 - b) C free unions do not carry a discriminant for type checking
 - c) Ada unions are free unions
 - d) Unions cannot overlap memory
- 40. Which is a correct type expression form?
 - a) array(I,T) for index type I and element T
 - b) function(T1,T2) for product types
 - c) pointer → T
 - d) record(name:T1;name:T2) is not a type expression

Part III — Advanced Application (20)

For Q41–Q60, assume the following library typings (when used):

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map : (T1 \rightarrow T2) \times List[T1] \rightarrow List[T2]
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- filter : (T → bool) × List[T] → List[T]
- reduce : $(U \times V \rightarrow U) \times U \times List[V] \rightarrow U$
- index : $(T \rightarrow bool) \times List[T] \rightarrow List[int]$
- floor : real → int
- List literal $[\dots]$: List[T] if elements are of type T.
- 41. Consider pseudo-Python:

```
def foo(x,y,z): return reduce(z(x), y, [])
If x is an int, which is the most precise principal type for foo?
a) (int \times (int\rightarrowT) \times (T\rightarrow int\rightarrowT)) \rightarrow T
b) (int \times T \times (T \times int \rightarrow T)) \rightarrow T
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- C) (int \times T \times (T \times int \rightarrow T)) \rightarrow int
- d) (int \times (int \to T) \times (int \times T \to T)) \to T
- 42. In a strict language, if y(z(x)) then x else 0 type-checks only if:
 - a) y(z(x)): bool and x, 0 share a common supertype
 - b) y(z(x)): int
 - c) x : bool
 - d) 0 : bool
- 43. Bit-chain question: X : set of -2..13. If the least significant bit encodes the smallest element, which pair encodes { -2, 5 }?
 - a) 1000...0001

- b) 0000...0001
- c) A bitstring with bit 0 and bit 7 set
- d) A bitstring with bit 2 and bit 13 set
- 44. Column-major 3-D array A[0..2, 1..3, 0..1] of 4-byte ints, base α =2000. Address of A[2,3,1] is:

(Use order: last index varies slowest.)

- a) 2012 b) 2032 c) 2060 d) 2084
- 45. C struct alignment. Assume 8-byte alignment for double, 4-byte for int, 1-byte for char:

```
struct R { char a; double b; int c; char d; };
```

Total size is:

- a) 18 b) 24 c) 32 d) 40
- 46. Free union punning (little-endian), choose the most correct statement:

```
union V { float f; unsigned int u; } v; v.u = 0x3F800000;
```

- a) v.f is exactly 1.0f per IEEE-754
- b) Behavior is undefined
- c) It is defined and always yields 0.0f
- d) It traps
- 47. Given:

```
def h(x): return lambda y,z: filter(y, map(z, x))
```

With the library typings above, the principal type of h is:

- a) List[T] \rightarrow ((T \rightarrow bool) \times (U \rightarrow T) \rightarrow List[T])
- b) List[T] \rightarrow ((T \rightarrow bool) \times (U \rightarrow T) \rightarrow List[U])
- C) List[T] \rightarrow ((U \rightarrow bool) \times (T \rightarrow U) \rightarrow List[U])
- d) List[T] \rightarrow ((U \rightarrow bool) \times (U \rightarrow T) \rightarrow List[T])
- 48. Consider:

```
def g(x): def k(z): return y(z) + x return k
```

In a statically typed setting with + overloaded for int and real only, pick a valid typing when y: (int \rightarrow int).

- a) $x : int, result k : (int \rightarrow int)$
- b) $x : bool, result k : (int \rightarrow bool)$
- c) $x : real, result k : (int \rightarrow real)$
- d) a or c
- 49. Two's complement: the range of an n -bit signed integer is:
 - a) [-2^(n-1), 2^(n-1)-1]
 - b) [0, 2ⁿ 1]
 - c) [-2ⁿ, 2ⁿ-1]
 - d) [-2^(n-1)+1, 2^(n-1)]

50. IEEE-754 single precision. Which bit pattern encodes -0.0?

- a) Sign=1, all exponent and fraction bits 0
- b) Sign=0, exponent all ones, fraction nonzero
- c) Sign=0, exponent bias, fraction all zeros
- d) Sign=1, exponent all ones, fraction all zeros
- 51. With index : $(T\rightarrow bool) \times List[T] \rightarrow List[int]$ and floor : real \rightarrow int , consider:

```
def q(u,v): return index(v, map(floor, u))
```

A principal type for q is:

- a) (List[real] × (int → bool)) → List[int]
- b) (List[int] × (real → bool)) → List[int]
- C) (List[real] × (real → bool)) → List[int]
- d) (List[T] \times (T \rightarrow bool)) \rightarrow List[int]
- 52. Name vs structural equivalence. Which pair is **equivalent by structure** but not by name?
 - a) Two distinct typedefs of the same record layout
 - b) An int and a float
 - c) array(0..9, int) and array(1..10, int)
 - d) A class and its subclass
- 53. Parametric polymorphism example:

```
template <class T> void swap(T& x, T& y) { T t=x; x=y; y=t; }
```

Which is true?

- a) Works only for built-ins
- b) Requires T to be a pointer
- c) Works for any T with copy/move semantics
- d) Requires virtual dispatch
- 54. Subtyping polymorphism example:

```
struct Polygon { virtual float area() = 0; }; struct Rect : Polygon { float area(){return
h*w;} float h,w; }; Polygon* p = new Rect{3,4};
```

The dynamic call p->area() is resolved:

- a) At compile time by static type
- b) At run time via dynamic dispatch
- c) By template instantiation
- d) Never, because abstract
- 55. Python lists are:
 - a) Immutable and fixed-length
 - b) Mutable, dynamic, and can contain heterogeneous elements
 - c) Only numeric
 - d) Value-semantics like C arrays
- 56. In C, which causes a dangling pointer?
 - a) int *p = NULL;

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b) int *p = malloc(4); free(p); *p = 5;
c) int a=3; int *p=&a;
d) int *p = (int*)0x0;
```

57. Consider:

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def r(f, xs): return reduce(lambda acc, t: acc + [f(t)], [], xs)
```

Given list concatenation and single-element append via acc + [f(t)], the principal type is:

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a) ((T \rightarrow U) \times List[T]) \rightarrow List[U]
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- b) $((T \rightarrow U) \times List[U]) \rightarrow List[T]$
- C) $((T\rightarrow bool) \times List[T]) \rightarrow List[T]$
- d) $(T \times List[T]) \rightarrow List[T]$
- 58. Column-major B[1..4, 1..5] of 8-byte doubles, base α =5000. Address of B[4,5] is:
 - a) 5000 + ((5-1)*4 + (4-1))*8
 - b) 5000 + ((4-1)*5 + (5-1))8
 - c) 5000 + (45)*8
 - d) 5000 + ((5-1)*5 + (4-1))*8
- 59. Record vs array comparison (from the evaluation slide). Which is accurate?
 - a) Arrays are heterogeneous, records homogeneous
 - b) Arrays are processed in the same way per element; record fields can be processed differently
 - c) Records support dynamic subscripting
 - d) Arrays never allow dynamic subscripting
- 60. Reference vs pointer in C++. Which is valid?
 - a) int& r = a; r++; mutates a and r cannot be reseated
 - b) int& r; is fine without initialization
 - c) int* p = &a; p = &b; reseats pointer the same way a reference reseats
 - d) References can be null by default

Answer Key (letters)

- 1 b
- 2 b
- 3 b
- 4 b
- 5 b
- 6 a
- 7 b
- 8 b
- 9 b
- 10 b
- 11 c
- 12 a
- 13 b
- 14 b

15 b

16 c

17 b

18 b

19 c

20 a

21 a

22 b

23 c

24 c

25 c

26 d

27 b

28 b

29 b

30 a

31 c

32 c

33 b

34 d

35 c

36 b

37 c

38 b

39 b

40 a

41 b

42 a

43 c

44 d

45 c

46 b

47 a

48 d

49 a

50 a

51 a

52 a

53 c

54 b

55 b

56 b

57 a

58 a

59 b

60 a