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## Interview Questions: Elementary Symbol Tables (ungraded)

TOTAL POINTS 4

1. **Java autoboxing and equals().** Consider two `double` values `a` and `b` and their corresponding `Double` values `x` and `y`.

1 / 1 point

- Find values such that `(a == b)` is `true` but `x.equals(y)` is `false`.
- Find values such that `(a == b)` is `false` but `x.equals(y)` is `true`.

*Note: these interview questions are ungraded and purely for your own enrichment. To get a hint, submit a solution.*

**Correct**

*Hint:* IEEE floating point arithmetic has some peculiar rules for `0.0`, `-0.0`, and `NaN`. Java requires that `equals()` implements an equivalence relation.

2. **Check if a binary tree is a BST.** Given a binary tree where each `Node` contains a key, determine whether it is a binary search tree. Use extra space proportional to the height of the tree.

1 / 1 point

**Correct**

*Hint:* design a recursive function `isBST(Node x, Keymin, Keymax)` that determines whether `x` is the root of a binary search tree with all keys between `min` and `max`.

3. **Inorder traversal with constant extra space.** Design an algorithm to perform an inorder traversal of a binary search tree using only a constant amount of extra space.

1 / 1 point

**Correct**

*Hint:* you may modify the BST during the traversal provided you restore it upon completion.

4. **Web tracking.** Suppose that you are tracking  $n$  web sites and  $m$  users and you want to support the following API:

1 / 1 point

- User visits a website.
- How many times has a given user visited a given site?

What data structure or data structures would you use?

**Correct**

*Hint:* maintain a symbol table of symbol tables.