MTH 4300: Algorithms, Computers, and Programming II

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Midterm 2 Review

1 TRUE OR FALSE

- 1. Returning by reference allows you to avoid copying an object, improving performance, but returning by value ensures the caller receives a new copy of the object.
- 2. The this pointer in C++ is a constant pointer that holds the address of the current object.
- 3. The size of an std::vector is fixed once it is created and cannot change.
- 4. std::list in C++ allows random access to its elements, just like std::vector.
- 5. You can overload the arrow (->) operator in a class, and it is commonly used when a class contains or behaves like a pointer.
- 6. In a singly linked list, each node has a pointer to the previous node as well as the next node.
- 7. The time complexity of the selection sort algorithm is O(n log n) in the worst case.
- 8. The fstream class in C++ allows for both input and output operations on files.
- 9. Overloaded operators must have at least one operand that is of user-defined type(a class).
- 10. (*ptr).method() is the same as ptr->method()

2 SHORT ANSWER

- 1. How do you declare a member function that guarantees it will not modify the object it belongs to?
- 2. What happens to the elements of a vector when it resizes after exceeding its current capacity?
- 3. What is an advantage of using std::list over std::vector?
- 4. In stl the list stl data structure has a method named push_front() that adds an element to the front of the list. What is the time complexity of this method?
- 5. What operator do you have to overload as friend function(typically)?
- 6. What class in fstream is used to only open files?
- 7. When is a destructor called?
- 8. Given the files main.cpp myclass1.cpp myclass1.h how would you compile these in a terminal
- 9. Write any function signature that uses default parameters (arguments).
- 10. How does the selection sort algorithm determine which element to swap at each step?

3 CODING

1. Write the code for the method (adds a node to the end of a linked list. Return true if successful otherwise false. Do not use stl):

```
bool LinkedList::push_back(int val)
{
     ...
}
```

2. The code below has more than 5 errors. Find at least 5 for full credit! rectangle.h:

```
#ifndef RECTANGLE_H
#define RECTANGLE_H
class Rectangle {
public:
   Rectangle(double width, double height); // Constructor
   double getPerimeter() const;
                                         // Member function to get perimeter
   void getHeight();
                                          // Gets height
private:
                                          // Member variables
   double width;
   double height;
};
#endif // RECTANGLE_H
rectangle.cpp:
#include<iostream>
#include "rectangle.h"
// Constructor definition
Rectangle::Rectangle(double width, double height) : width(width), height(height) {}
// Function to calculate the area of the rectangle
double Rectangle::getArea() const
{
   return width * height;
}
// Sets height
double Rectangle::getPerimeter() const
   return 2 * (width + height);
}
// Function to calculate the perimeter of the rectangle
double Rectangle::setHeight(double h) const
{
   height=h;
}
// Gets height
void getHeight()
{
   return height;
}
```

main.cpp:

```
#include <iostream>
int main()
{
    Rectangle rect(10.0, 5.0); // Create a Rectangle object with width 5.0 and height 3.0
    std::cout << "Area: " << rect.getArea() << std::endl;
    std::cout << "Perimeter: " << rect.getPerimeter() << std::endl;
    std::cout <<rect<< std::endl;
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

4 SOLUTIONS

4.1 TRUE OR FALSE

- 1. true
- 2. true