EARTH SC/ENVIR SC/GEOG 2GI3

Midterm Exam Details

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When, Where, What to Bring

- When:
 - October 25th, 2017 from 11:30 to 12:20 pm
- Where:
 - UH 213: Last name begins with A to L
 - T13 123/24: Last name begins with M to Z
- What to bring:
 - Casio FX-911 calculator (McMaster standard)
 - Student ID card

T13



Exam Structure

Total marks = 45

- Part I: Multiple Choice, True/False, Fill-in-the-blank
 - 25 questions
 - Each worth 1 mark
- Part II: Short Answer and Problem Solving
 - 3 questions, with multiple parts
 - In total, the questions and their parts = 20 marks

What the Exam Covers

- First three topics:
 - What is a GIS?
 - What is georeferencing?
 - How are data represented in a GIS?
- Questions will be derived from all material covered in lectures on the above topics (majority will come from latter two topics)
- Some questions could come from Exercises 1, 2, and
 3 (Part A)

Sample Questions (1)

- Who invented GIS?
 - A. Gerhardus Mercator
 - B. Roger Tomlinson
 - C. Johann Lambert
 - D. Jack Dangermond

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Sample Questions (2)

 Information about places on the Earth's surface is known as _____geographic / geospatial ____ information.

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Sample Questions (3)

- When using a secant cylindrical projection with a normal aspect the scale is true:
 - A. Only at the equator
 - B. At two standard parallels
 - C. Only at the Greenwich Meridian
 - D. At two standard meridians
 - E. None of the above

Sample Questions (4)

A map projection will always distort the Earth in some way.

True False

Sample Questions (6)

■ The ______ data model represents space as a series of grid cells with the same resolution.

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Sample Questions (7)

Define the following terms: latitude and longitude (2 marks). Use a figure to illustrate each term (2 marks).

Sample Questions (8)

Storage is an important consideration in applications involving raster data. Encode the following figure using run length (2 marks) and run length row order (2 marks) encoding. Which approach is better at compressing this particular figure? (1 mark) Justify your answer based on your encoding results. (1

mark)

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