

CS304 Midterm Practice Exam

Fall 2016

Multiple Choice

1. In which situations the array based implementation and the linked based implementation are most suitable?
 - A. Unbounded Stack ADT and bounded Stack ADT, respectively
 - B. Unbounded Stack ADT and unbounded Stack ADT, respectively
 - C. Bounded Stack ADT and bounded Stack ADT, respectively
 - D. Bounded Stack ADT and unbounded Stack ADT, respectively**
 - E. They are equally suitable.
2. Which of the following represents “quadratic” time?
 - A. $3n+5n^2+1$**
 - B. $n\log n$
 - C. n^7+n+1
 - D. 2^n+n^2+5
 - E. None of the above
3. Which of the following statements is **TRUE** about linked lists?
 - A. All the elements in a linked list are always stored contiguously.
 - B. Given the position, removing a node from a linked list is extremely inefficient.
 - C. Linked lists support random access.
 - D. You can traverse a singly linked list from head to tail and from tail to head.
 - E. Each node in a singly linked list saves data as well as a link to its next node.**
4. Which of the following Java statement attempts to invoke methods that would potentially throw exception(s)?
 - A. throw
 - B. raise
 - C. catch
 - D. try**
 - E. None of the above
5. Given the following code snippet, what is the size of the stack `s` after all this code executes?

```
NumberStack s = new LinkedNumberStack();
s.push(10);
s.push(20);
s.push(30);
s.push(40);
s.push(50);
s.pop();
int myInt = s.top();
s.pop();
s.pop();
s.push(myInt);
```

 - A. 2
 - B. 3**
 - C. 4
 - D. 5
 - E. none of the above

6. Which of the following structures did we classify as “non-linear”?
- A. array
 - B. sorted list
 - C. stack
 - D. queue
 - E. tree**
7. Given the following code snippet, what is the element at the front of the queue `q` after all this code executes?
- ```
NumberQueue q = new LinkedNumberQueue();
q.enqueue(10);
q.enqueue(20);
q.enqueue(30);
q.enqueue(40);
q.enqueue(50);
NumberStack s = new LinkedNumberStack();
for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
 s.push(q.dequeue());
}
while (s.size() > 0) {
 q.enqueue(s.pop());
}
```
- A. 10
  - B. 20
  - C. 30
  - D. 40**
  - E. 50
8. Under which circumstances should a recursive solution be preferred to an iterative solution?
- (1) When the recursive version is more easily understood.
  - (2) When the running time is critical.
  - (3) When space (memory) is critical.
- A. None of them
  - B. Only (1)**
  - C. (1) and (2)
  - D. (1) and (3)
  - E. All of them
9. Which of the following `Queue` method could throw the `QueueOverflowException`?
- A. enqueue**
  - B. dequeue
  - C. isEmpty
  - D. isFull
  - E. the constructors
10. For the array based **unbounded** `Queue` implementation, what happens if the underlying array is full and an enqueue operation is attempted?
- A. A `QueueOverflowException` is thrown.
  - B. A `QueueUnderflowException` is thrown.
  - C. A linked list is created to hold additional elements.
  - D. A bigger array is created and all the elements in the current array are copied into the new array.**
  - E. Nothing happens.

## Short Answers

11. Describe the exceptional cases for the array based bounded `Stack` ADT implementation.

**A `StackUnderflowException` would be thrown when `pop` or `top` is attempted on an empty stack.**

**A `StackOverflowException` would be thrown when `push` is attempted on full stack.**

12. What is the output of the following program?

```
public class TestRecursion {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
 myRec(10, 16);
 }

 public static void myRec(int a, int b) {
 if (a > 2) {
 System.out.println("b is " + b);
 myRec(b - 4, a - 2);
 }
 else
 System.out.println("a is " + a);
 }
}
```

**OUTPUT:**

**b is 16  
b is 8  
b is 10  
b is 2  
a is -2**

## Coding Questions

13. Assume you are given a recursive definition:  $\text{myFun}(n) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$

- a) What are the base case and the general case for this definition? You should list them mathematically. For example:

Base case:  $\text{factorial}(0) = 1$

General case:  $\text{factorial}(n) = n * \text{factorial}(n - 1)$

**Base case:  $\text{myFun}(1) = 1$**

**General case:  $\text{myFun}(n) = \frac{1}{n} + \text{myFun}(n - 1)$**

- b) Write a recursive method to calculate  $\text{myFun}(n)$  using the first  $n$  terms according to your answer in part a). The method should take an `int` parameter  $n$  and return a `double` value.

```
double myFun(int n)
{
 if (n == 1)
 return 1.0;
 else
 return 1.0 / n + myFun(n - 1);
}
```

14. Given the following definition of the `LNode` class, implement the methods "push" and "pop" for the `LinkedStack` class. You can assume `isEmpty()` method is already implemented for you. You may throw a `StackUnderflowException` if needed without defining it.

```
public class LNode
{
 private int m_value;
 private LNode m_link;

 public LNode(int value) {
 m_value = value;
 m_link = null;
 }

 public void setLink(LNode link) {
 m_link = link;
 }
 public LNode getLink() {
 return m_link;
 }
 public void setInfo(int value) {
 m_info = value;
 }
 public int getInfo() {
 return m_value;
 }
}

public class LinkedStack
{
 private LNode topOfStack;

 public LinkedStack()
 {
 topOfStack = null;
 }

 public void push(int v)
 {
 LNode newNode = new LNode(v);
 newNode.setLink(topOfStack);
 topOfStack = newNode;
 }

 public int pop()
 {
 if (isEmpty())
 throw new StackUnderflowException("Pop attempted on empty stack");
 else
 {
 int v = topOfStack.getInfo();
 topOfStack = topOfStack.getLink();
 return v;
 }
 }
}
```