

IBM InfoSphere Streams Technical Mastery Test v1
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Which host tags are defined by Streams?

- A. compile, execute
- B. execution, build
- C. build, run
- D. compile, run

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 2

Which statement is CORRECT?

- **A.** A composite operator does not belong to any namespace.
- **B.** All operators in a composite operator must belong to the same namespace.
- **C.** Primitive operators all belong to the com.ibm.primitive name space.
- **D.** It is always acceptable to use fully qualified operator names (i.e. names that include the namespace).

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 3

Which command gives the health status of the individual processing elements of a submitted Streams job?

- A. streamtool Isjobs
- B. streamtool Ispes
- C. streamtool getresourcestate
- D. streamtool getnsentry

Answer: B Explanation:

Which statement is TRUE regarding InfoSphere Streams?

- **A.** A stream is defined as an infinite sequence of tuples.
- **B.** The tuples in a stream can be of different types.
- C. A Processing Element (PE) can only contain a single operator.
- **D.** An operator port can accept streams of different types as long as they are properly defined.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 5

Which Streams Studio component displays output generated by running various streamtool commands?

- A. Console
- B. Error Log file
- C. SPL Application Graph
- D. Project Explorer

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 6

Which Streams Studio tool lets developers view applications running on distributed hosts?

- A. Console
- B. Explorer
- C. Live Graph
- D. Application Graph

Answer: C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 7

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What command can be used following installation to verify that all Streams hosts satisfy the configuration and network connectivity requirements including access to appropriate directories on the shared file system?

- A. dependency_checker.sh
- B. checkhost
- C. connectivity checker
- D. streamtool checkhost

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 8

In the logic clause of an SPL operator invocation body, what is the purpose of the state label?

- **A.** To share state across all the operators.
- **B.** To persist in-memory state within that operator.
- **C.** To restore operator state from a database.
- **D.** To modify the state of another Streams application.

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 9

Which statement regarding usage of a shared file system in Streams is TRUE?

- **A.** Streams uses the shared file system to provide a common shared image for instance and configuration information.
- **B.** Streams must be installed on a shared file system in order to be used in a cluster of hosts.
- **C.** Streams must be installed on a shared file system for hosts that are enabled for SELinux (Security-Enhanced Linux).
- **D.** It must be a GPFS shared file system.

Answer: A Explanation:

Which two commands can be used to create a Streams instance? (Choose two.)

- A. streamtool mkinstance --hosts streamsadmin
- B. streamtool mkinstance --hosttags host1,host2,host3,host4
- C. streamtool mkinstance --hosts 10.10.187.156,myhost1
- D. streamtool mkinstance --hosts 10.10.187.156,127.0.0.1
- E. streamtool mkinstance --numhosts 10.10.187.156,10.10.187.157

Answer: A,C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 11

Which statement regarding Streams toolkits is CORRECT?

- **A.** A toolkit must be recompiled for each upgrade of the Streams installation.
- **B.** All toolkits must be installed in /usr/lib.
- C. A toolkit is self-contained and cannot depend on other toolkits.
- **D.** A toolkit may contain multiple namespaces.

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 12

What are two requirements for installing and using Streams on a cluster of hosts in which Streams is installed on each host? (Choose two.)

- **A.** The installation must be performed as root on each host in the cluster.
- **B.** The same version of Streams must be installed on each host in the cluster by the same install owner.
- **C.** All hosts in the cluster must use the PAM (Pluggable Authentication Model) authentication method.
- **D.** The Streams install path name must be the same on each host in the cluster.
- E. SELinux (Security-Enhanced Linux) must be enabled on each host in the cluster.

Answer: B,D Explanation:

Which is NOT required in order to install and enable Streams on an SELinux (Security-Enhanced Linux) system?

- **A.** The SELinux system is set to enforcing or permissive mode.
- **B.** The SELinux system is set to use LDAP (Lightweight Directory Access Protocol) for user authentication.
- **C.** The SELinux system is set to use a targeted policy.
- **D.** Streams is installed by a user with root authority.

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 14

Starting and stopping Streams runtime services produces what kind of log files?

- A. PE logs
- B. Runtime boot logs
- C. Runtime service logs
- **D.** Runtime trace rolling logs

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 15

Which Source and Sink operators are included in the standard toolkit?

- A. FileSource, FileSink, TCPSource, TCPSink, UDPSource, and UDPSink
- B. FileSource, FileSink, MQSource, MQSink, UDPSource, and UDPSink
- C. HTTPSource, HTTPSink, MQSource, MQSink, UDPSource, and UDPSink
- D. FileSource, FileSink, HTTPSource, HTTPSink, MQSource, and MQSink

Answer: A Explanation:

Which programming languages should be part of your skill set in order to become a full-fledged Streams Application Developer?

- A. SPL, Java, PHP
- B. SPL, C++, Perl, Java
- C. SPL, C++, Ruby, Java
- D. SPL, Python, JavaScript

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 17

What is the purpose of the SPL Import/Export operators?

- **A.** To exchange data between management and application nodes.
- **B.** To exchange data between multiple jobs running in the same instance.
- C. To exchange data between different operators in one application.
- **D.** To exchange data with other vendor products.

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 18

Which statements are supported inside SPL operator logic?

- A. if-else, foreach, do-while
- B. if-else, foreach, while
- C. if-else, for(x in y), while
- **D.** if-else, for(x=0;x<10;x++), do-until

Answer: C Explanation:

Which of the following is the correct set of deployable artifacts produced by the Streams compiler?

- A. JAR files
- B. Shared object library files
- C. PEs and an ADL file
- D. DLL files

Answer: C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 20

How do you display the graph topology of an SPL application that is not running?

- **A.** In the Project Explorer, right-click on the main composite; in the context menu, select Show Application Graph.
- **B.** In the Streams Explorer, right-click on the instance; in the context menu, select Show Application Graph.
- **C.** In the Instance Graph, right-click on the job; in the context menu, select Show Application Graph.
- **D.** In the Streams Explorer, right-click on the instance; in the context menu, select Show Instance Graph.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 21

Which streamtool command is used to remove PE and runtime log data?

- A. getlog
- B. removelog
- C. clearlog
- D. cleanlog

Answer: D

QUESTION NO: 22

Which statement is CORRECT?

- **A.** The InfoSphere Streams runtime environment does not have to be installed to run a standalone SPL program.
- **B.** The InfoSphere Streams runtime environment does not have to be installed to run a distributed SPL program.
- **C.** Standalone programs can talk to other standalone programs by exporting and importing streams.
- **D.** A standalone program can be visualized by the Live Graph function of the Streams-Studio IDE.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 23

Which data analysis problem is most suitable for a streams processing solution?

- **A.** Correlating data from multiple database management systems.
- **B.** Transforming historic call center recordings to text files.
- C. Identifying best wind turbine locations using past weather data.
- **D.** Combining data from multiple sensors to create situational awareness.

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 24

The Join operator CANNOT perform which operation?

- **A.** Combining attributes from tuples on different streams.
- B. Filtering out tuples that don't meet specific criteria.
- **C.** Grouping tuples according to the values in an attribute.
- **D.** Routing tuples according to the values in an attribute.

Answer: D
Explanation:

Which statement is TRUE?

- **A.** The standard toolkit operators are special and therefore do not belong to any namespace.
- **B.** There is only one namespace for all operators in a toolkit.
- **C.** In one application you may invoke two operators with the same name from two different namespaces.
- **D.** Only IBM approved names can be used when defining namespaces.

Answer: C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 26

What are the possible role[s] of the TCP operators in the Standard Toolkit?

- **A.** Server only.
- B. Client only.
- C. Router only.
- **D.** Client or server.

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 27

Which runtime service is required to use Streams Console?

- A. Streams Debugger
- **B.** Streams Explorer
- C. Streams Web Service (SWS)
- D. Streams Web Console (SWC)

Answer: C

QUESTION NO: 28

What are two reasons for using the dependency checker script? (Choose two.)

- A. To check the Java version.
- **B.** To check the ssh configuration.
- **C.** To validate Streams instance integrity.
- D. To check the RSA key.
- E. To validate the RPM level.

Answer: A,E Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 29

What are the permitted trigger polices for a sliding window?

- A. count, time, and date
- B. count, time, and delta
- C. time, date, and punct
- D. count, time, date, and punct

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 30

When you create a Streams instance, you must specify a name for the new instance that satisfies which requirement?

- **A.** The name must be unique among the instances defined by the instance owner.
- **B.** The name can not start with an alphabetic character.
- C. The name must be unique among all instances defined by all instance owners.
- **D.** The name must contain a dash (-), an underscore (_), or a period (.).

Answer: A

QUESTION NO: 31

Which of the following best represents the process and threading model for a standalone SPL program?

- **A.** Multiple processes each with multiple threads.
- **B.** Multiple processes each with a single thread.
- **C.** A single process with one or more threads.
- **D.** A single process with only a single thread.

Answer: C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 32

What is a Streams toolkit?

- A. A set of plug-ins, compilers, and editors for developing SPL applications.
- **B.** A description of valid port configurations, parameters, and attribute values for a primitive operator.
- **C.** A package of SPL types, functions, and operators.
- **D.** A package of compiled and standalone Streams applications.

Answer: C Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 33

Which command is used to create a Streams instance?

- A. streamtool crtinstance
- B. streamtool create_instance
- C. streamtool mkinstance
- D. streamtool make instance

Answer: C

QUESTION NO: 34

What clauses can an operator invocation have?

- A. logic, window, param, output, config
- B. logic, view, param, output, error
- C. input, view, output, except, config
- D. input, window, param, output, error

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 35

Which runtime platform could be used for Streams?

- A. A Linux server.
- B. A Windows server.
- C. An iPad.
- D. An Android phone.

Answer: A

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 36

In the Instance Graph, what visual cue will show which Streams have had no tuples flowing on them?

- A. Dashed line for the stream.
- **B.** Missing line for the stream.
- **C.** Icon on the output port of the operator producing the stream.
- **D.** Icon on the input port of the operator ingesting the stream.

Answer: A Explanation:

Which of the following best describes SPL state variables defined in a logic clause?

- **A.** State variables have the same lifetime as the operator they are defined in.
- **B.** State variables can be shared between different operators.
- **C.** State variables are always immutable.
- **D.** State variables need to be freed before a streams application is terminated.

Answer: A

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 38

A composite operator definition contains which of the following?

- A. A complete Streams application.
- **B.** A reusable stream graph or subgraph.
- C. A set of primitive operators implemented in C++ or Java.
- **D.** A set of composite type definitions.

Answer: B

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 39

In the Instance Graph, you can layout the topology of the applications running by which two types of Streams elements? (Choose two.)

- A. Process Elements
- **B.** Operators
- C. LDAP Users
- **D.** Jobs
- E. Applications

Answer: A,B Explanation:

When a Streams instance is stopped, what happens to the PE log files?

- **A.** They are moved to the Streams install directory.
- **B.** They are deleted from the log directory.
- C. They are automatically backed up.
- **D.** They are transferred to user's home directory.

Answer: B

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 41

How can you examine operator fusion in the Application Graph?

- A. In Graph Preferences, select Collect Metrics Information and Layout topology by PE.
- B. In Graph Preferences, use Group Operators by Application and Color Operators by Composite.
- C. In Graph Preferences, use Group Operators by PE or Color Operators by PE.
- **D.** You can, because fusion is a runtime concept and the Application Graph is based directly on the SPL code.

Answer: C

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 42

What command can be used to install RedHat RPMs required by Streams?

- A. dependency_checker.sh
- B. streamtool install
- C. yum
- **D.** rpm rpm?

Answer: C

Explanation:

Streams may be the most appropriate solution for which type of processing?

- **A.** A database extract/transform/load job.
- **B.** Algorithmic stock trading.
- C. An online web portal.
- D. A voicemail retrieval system.

Answer: B Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 44

A state label may appear in which of the following?

- A. The logic clause.
- B. The window clause.
- C. The exception statement.
- **D.** The config statement.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 45

Which data analysis problem is most suitable for a streams processing solution?

- **A.** Prediction of best harvest yield using historic harvest data.
- **B.** Prediction of bus arrival time using current location information.
- **C.** Prediction of manufacturing yield using images in a content management system.
- **D.** Prediction of next quarter earnings using past sales data from a data warehouse.

Answer: B Explanation:

When a tumbling window is full, how will it behave?

- **A.** It will execute the operator behavior and flush all stored tuples before starting over from scratch.
- **B.** It will execute the operator behavior and expel the oldest tuples before processing the next tuple.
- **C.** It will expel the oldest tuples, execute the operator behavior, and flush all processed tuples before starting from scratch.
- **D.** It will expel triggered tuples, execute the operator behavior, and flush unprocessed tuples before starting from the end.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 47

What tasks do the source-type operators perform?

- **A.** Reading external data into a Stream Application from various sources.
- **B.** Writing external data from a Stream Application to various sources.
- **C.** Copying data types between Stream applications operators.
- **D.** Extracting data from an internal reservoir of data filled by the Sink operators.

Answer: A Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 48

Which statement is TRUE?

- **A.** A stream can contain at most a single tuple.
- **B.** A stream can contain many tuples of many different types.
- C. A stream can contain many tuples of one type.
- **D.** A stream can contain a tuple of an undefined type.

Answer: C Explanation:

An Application Graph view in the IDE depicts which components?

- A. Operators and jobs.
- **B.** Jobs and instances.
- C. Operators and streams.
- **D.** Streams and instances.

Answer: C

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 50

Which component is included in Streams Studio?

- A. XML view
- B. Graph view
- C. Streams Explorer
- D. UML view

Answer: C

Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 51

What happens when you use the Export operator inside standalone SPL applications?

- **A.** The application will run slower.
- **B.** The exported stream will be highly optimized.
- C. The tuples will be batched before being sent.
- **D.** The tuples will not be sent to the exported stream.

Answer: D

Explanation:

What are the criteria for a potential main composite operator?

- **A.** A composite operator with no input or output ports.
- **B.** A composite operator with at most one input and one output port and no parameters.
- C. A composite operator called "Main" that is in an SPL source file by itself.
- **D.** A composite operator with no input or output ports and no required parameters.

Answer: D Explanation:

QUESTION NO: 53

In SPL, which logLevel directive will give you the most verbose application-level logging?

- A. Info
- B. Trace
- C. Error
- D. Debug

Answer: B