



Java Certified #3

A question lead guide to prepare Java certification



Working with Arrays and Collections

Given:

```
Deque<Integer> deque = new ArrayDeque();  
deque.offer( 1 ); deque.offer( 2 );  
var i1 = deque.peek(); var i2 = deque.poll(); var i3 = deque.peek();  
System.out.println( i1 + " " + i2 + " " + i3 );
```

What is the output of the given code fragment?

- ➔ 1 1 1
- ➔ 1 1 2
- ➔ 1 2 1
- ➔ 1 2 2
- ➔ An exception is thrown

1 1 2

1 1 2

The `offer` method inserts new elements at the tail of the deque. Therefore, after two invocations of this method, our deque has two elements: the first is 1 and the second is 2.

Both the `peek` and `poll` method read at the head of the deque. The difference between them is that the `peek` method doesn't remove the retrieved element, while the `poll` method does.

In the given code, number 1 is read by `peek` and assigned to variable `i1`. This number is read the second time by the `poll` method and assigned to `i2`. At this point, it's also removed from the deque. The last invocation of the `peek` method retrieves number 2, which was at the head of the deque after removal of number 1.

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/util/Deque.html>



Working with Streams and Lambda expressions

Given: interface Calculable { long calculate(int i); }

```
public class Test { public static void main( String[] args ) {
```

```
    Calculable c1 = i -> i + 1; // Line 1
```

```
    Calculable c2 = i -> Long.valueOf( i );// Line 2
```

```
    Calculable c3 = i -> { throw new ArithmeticException(); };// Line 3
```

```
}} // Which lines fail to compile?
```

- ➔ Line 1 only
- ➔ Line 2 only
- ➔ Line 3 only
- ➔ Line 1 and line 2
- ➔ Line 2 and line 3
- ➔ The program successfully compiles

The program successfully compiles

According to the Java Language Specification:

- If the function type's result is a (non-`void`) type R, then either (i) the lambda body is an expression that is compatible with R in an assignment context, or (ii) the lambda body is a value-compatible block, and each result expression ([§15.27.2](#)) is compatible with R in an assignment context.
- A checked exception that can be thrown in the body of the lambda expression may cause a compile-time error, as specified in [§11.2.3](#).

From the Specification, we can see that the result of a lambda body doesn't need to be of a type that is the same as or a subtype of the target function's return type. The restriction is that the body's return value is assignable to the return type of the target function.

On line 1 and line 2, the bodies' return values are of type `int` and `Long`, respectively. These values are assignable to the `long` data type, thanks to casting and unboxing. Therefore, both lines 1 and 2 are valid.

On line 3, the thrown exception is unchecked, hence the expression is also correct. Line 3 would have failed to compile if the exception had been a checked exception.



Working with Streams and Lambda expressions

Given:

```
Optional o1 = Optional.empty(); Optional o2 = Optional.of( 1 );
```

```
Optional o3 = Stream.of( o1, o2 )  
    .filter( Optional::isPresent )  
    .findAny()  
    .flatMap( o -> o );
```

```
System.out.println( o3.orElse( 2 ) );
```

//What is the given code fragment's output?

- ➔ 0
- ➔ 1
- ➔ 2
- ➔ Optional.empty
- ➔ Optional[1]
- ➔ Compilation fails

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The `Stream.filter` operation allows only the `Optional` object referenced by variable `o2` to pass through.

After the `Stream.findAny` terminal operation is performed, we have an `Optional` object that contains the `Optional` to which `o2` refers.

This outer `Optional` then goes to the `Optional.flatMap` method, where the inner `Optional` is extracted and assigned to variable `o3` .

After this assignment, variable `o2` and `o3` point to the same object. Since this object was created with value `1` , the given code prints number `1` to the console.

If a value is present, `orElse` returns the value, otherwise returns `other`.

[https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/util/Optional.html#orElse\(T\)](https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/util/Optional.html#orElse(T))

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