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SEMESTER 1 EXAMINATIONS 2018-19

Advanced Computational Methods 1

DURATION 120 MINS

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**This paper contains 6 Questions. Answer All Questions.**

**This is a Computer-Based Exam.**

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**For all questions, template files have been provided for your use. These files can be found in My Documents.**

A total of 100 marks are available for this paper. Marks available for answering parts of the questions are shown in brackets thus [ ].

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1.

- a). Write Emacs commands for the followings:
  - i. open or create file,
  - ii. save file,
  - iii. compile file,
  - iv. run the code in eshell.
- b). What are the two parts of a `while` statement?
- c). What are the four parts of a `for` statement?
- d). How are the elements of an `array` stored in memory?
- e). Show two ways to obtain the address of the first element of the array `data[ ]`.
- f). If an `array` is passed to a function, what are two ways to know where the end of that `array` is?
- g). To store a string of `n` characters, it is necessary to have a character array of `n+1` elements. Why is the extra element needed?
- h). What keyword in the `C` programming language is used to create a structure?

**Answer this question using the notepad editor to open the file `q1.txt`. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 20 marks]**

2. Find the errors on each of the following code segments and explain how to correct them.

a).

```
#include<stdio.h>
void print_msg( void );
int main ()
{
    print_msg("This is a message to print");
    return 0;
}
void print_msg( void )
{
    puts("This is a message to print");
    return 0;
}
```

b).

```
int get_1_or_2(void)
{
    int answer=0;
    while ( answer <1 || answer >2)
    {
        printf(Enter 1 for Yes, 2 for No);
        scanf("%f", answer);
    }
    return answer;
}
```

c).

```
struct{
    char zodiac_sign[21];
    int month;
} sign= "Leo", 8;
```

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d).

```
int x[3][12];
int *ptr[12];
ptr=x;
```

e).

```
void *p;
p=(float*)malloc(sizeof(float));
*p=1.23;
```

f).

```
union data{
    char a_word[4];
    long a_number;
}generic_variable = {"WOW", 1000};
```

**Answer this question using the notepad editor to open the file q2.txt. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 20 marks]**

3. Write a function that accepts two strings. Count the number of characters in each, and return a pointer to the long string. You may extend the provided q3.c function to complete the solution:

```
#include<stdio.h>
main()
{

    return 0;
}
```

**Answer this question using the Quincy editor to open and extend the file q3.c. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 10 marks]**

4. Write a function named `addarrays()` that accepts two arrays that are the same size. The function should add each element in the arrays together and place the values in a third array. You may extend the provided `q4.c` function to complete the solution:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#define SIZE 5
```

```
main()
{
    return 0;
}
```

**Answer this question using the Quincy editor to open and extend the file `q4.c`. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 10 marks]**

5. In this question, the task is to write a library of functions to handle the complex numbers.

a) Define a structure `complex` to contain members `re` and `im` to represent real and imaginary parts of a complex number. The members `re` and `im` should be of a type `double`. [4 marks]

b) Define a function `init(x, y)` which takes as input two arguments `x` and `y` of a type `double`, and returns a type `complex` as an output. Within the function `init`, the input `x` should be assigned to the member `re` of the output structure, and `y` should be assigned to the member `im` of the output structure. The function `init` will be useful in the subsequent part of the question for initialising any variable declared as a type `complex`. [4 marks]

c) Define a function `add(a, b)` which takes two arguments `a` and `b` both of a type `complex` and returns a type `complex` as an output. Within the function `add`, the two complex numbers represented by `a` and `b` are added by adding their real and imaginary parts and the new complex number is returned as an output. [4 marks]

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d) Define a function `conjugate(a)` which takes as an input a single argument `a` of a type `complex` and returns a type `complex` as an output. The function `conjugate` is to return the complex conjugate of `a` obtained by multiplying its imaginary part by  $-1$ . [4 marks]

e) In `main()`, declare arrays `a`, `b`, `c` each having `N` elements of a type `complex`. Thus `a`, `b`, `c` represent `N`-element arrays of complex numbers. Given the array `a`, the array `b` is to be populated by complex conjugates of the elements of `a`. The array `c` is to be populated by the sums of elements of `a` and `b`, i.e.  $c[i] = a[i] + b[i]$  where `i` is the index of the `i`-th element of the arrays. As a test, initialise the array `a` by `N=3` complex numbers `1+1j`, `2+4j`, `3+9j` using your function `init`, compute the arrays `b` and `c` by using your functions `conjugate` and `add`, and you should expect the following output:

```
1.000000+1.000000j
2.000000+0.000000j
2.000000+4.000000j
4.000000+0.000000j
3.000000+9.000000j
6.000000+0.000000j
```

if the following code snippet (provided in `q5.c`) is populated correctly by the missing code: [4 marks]

```
#include<stdio.h>

/* Structure complex to represent a complex number */
...

/* Function init that to return a complex number
   having real part x and imaginary part y */
...

/* Function add return a sum of two complex numbers a
   and b */
...
```

```
/* Function conjugate to return a complex conjugate
   of a complex number a */
...

/* Print a complex number c in the format x + yj*/

void print(struct complex c)
{
    if(c.im >= 0.0)
        printf("%f+%fj\n", c.re, c.im);
    else
        printf("%f%fj\n", c.re, c.im);
}

int main()
{
    ...

    for(i=0; i<N; i++)
    {
        print(a[i]);
        print(c[i]);
    }

    return 0;
}
```

**Answer this question using the Quincy editor to open and extend the file `q5.c`. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 20 marks]**

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6. Let  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  represent square matrices of size  $n \times n$  such that  $c = a * b$  where  $*$  implies matrix multiplication.

- a) Write a function `multiply(a, b, c, n)` which returns no value and the arrays  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  representing the matrices are passed to it as pointers to type `double`. The input  $n$  is an integer representing the size of the matrices. The function should perform a matrix multiplication of the matrices  $a$  and  $b$ , given to the function as input, by using the direct summation  $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_{ik} b_{kj}$  and store the result in  $c$ . In `main()`, allocate the arrays  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  by using dynamic memory allocation. [6 marks]
- b) Write a function `power(a, n, p)`, which calculates a matrix power  $a^p = a \cdot a \cdots a$  by performing the  $p$ -fold matrix multiplication starting from the right-end. The function `power` returns no value and the square matrix  $a$  of size  $n \times n$  is given to the function as a pointer to an array with all elements of type `double`. Both the matrix size  $n$  and the power index  $p$  are integers and assume  $p > 0$ . The output after the multiplication should be stored in the array  $a$ , i.e. rewriting the initial input matrix. You can call your function `multiply` defined above to perform the multiplication. [10 marks]

Note that instead of using two-dimensional arrays, which requires handling pointer-to-pointer operations, matrices can be defined contiguously as one-dimensional arrays of length  $n*n$  and matrix elements  $ij$  accessed as, e.g., `d[i*n + j]` where  $i, j = 0, \dots, n-1$ . This approach was used in the code snippet shown below (provided in `q6.c`), which after including the missing parts, produces the following output: [4 marks]

```
|1.000000 0.000000 |
|0.000000 1.000000 |

|4.000000 4.000000 |
|4.000000 4.000000 |
```

Code in `q6.c`:



```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>

/* function multiplying two matrices */
...
/* function to compute p-th power of a matrix */
...
/* print a formatted matrix */

void print(double *a, int n)
{
    int i, j;

    for(i=0; i<n; i++) {
        printf("|");
        for(j=0; j<n; j++) {
            printf("%f ", a[i*n+j]);
        }
        printf("|\\n");
    }
    printf("\\n");
}

int main()
{
    ...
    /* dynamic allocation of arrays*/
    ...

    a[0*N+0] = 1.0;
    a[0*N+1] = -1.0;
    a[1*N+0] = 1.0;
    a[1*N+1] = 1.0;

    b[0*N+0] = 0.5;
    b[0*N+1] = 0.5;
    b[1*N+0] = -0.5;
    b[1*N+1] = 0.5;
```

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```
multiply(a, b, c, N);  
  
print(c, N);  
  
a[0*N+0] = 1.0;  
a[0*N+1] = 1.0;  
a[1*N+0] = 1.0;  
a[1*N+1] = 1.0;  
  
power(a, N, 3);  
print(a, N);  
  
...  
return 0;  
}
```

**Answer this question using the Quincy editor to open and extend the file `q6.c`. You must save the file upon completion.**

**[ 20 marks]**

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