

# ECE326 – Fall 2019: Week 5 Exercise Questions

## 1. True or False [1 mark each]

Circle T is true, otherwise circle F for false.

1. Generic programming is a subset of metaprogramming.    **T**    **F**
2. If no deep copy is required (e.g. class has no pointer), move semantics performs no better than copy semantics.    **T**    **F**
3. If template specialization is not used (i.e. not instantiated), its code is not generated for the final executable.    **T**    **F**
4. For template `T foo()`, you can write `int a = foo()` to instantiate the function template `foo` with an `int` parameter.    **T**    **F**
5. The `new` operator in C++ couples heap allocation and constructor invocation.    **T**    **F**

## 2. Short Answers

1. Use `container_of` to return a pointer to the parent object of member field `base`.

**[2 marks]**

```
struct base {  
    int x, y, z;  
};
```

```
struct derived {  
    int a;  
    struct base b;  
    char c[10];  
};
```

```
struct derived * get_derived(struct base * b) {
```

```
}
```

2. Implement binary search algorithm using a function template, assume swap template function has already been implemented and the array is sorted. **[5 marks]**

```
template<typename T> /* find index of val in array of size n */  
int binary_search(const T & val, T * array, int n) {
```

```
}
```

3. Implement a template class named Triple that is a tuple of 3 elements of the same type. Overload enough operators so that binary search template you implemented above can be instantiated for Triple. Use lexicographical order. **[5 marks]**

```
template<typename T>  
class Triple {
```

```
};
```

### 3. Generic Programming [10 marks]

Create a generic Queue class without using templates. Implement the Queue using a singly linked list, with the member functions, `push_back`, that pushes new elements to end of the queue, `front`, which returns the first element of the queue, and `pop_front`, which removes the first element of the queue.

#### 4. Template Programming [10 marks]

Using the generic Queue made in Question 3, write a FIFO class template, which allows type-safe use of the generic Queue class for any parameterized type. Use move semantics for `push_back` instead of copy semantics.