

## CS1101S Programming Methodology

### Reading Assessment 2 Solution, redacted version of 2020/21

Use **only** the given answer sheet to indicate your answer to each of the following 13 questions. Use a pencil, and mark only one choice for each question. Do not write your name, but only your student number, on the answer sheet.

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**Note that in this redacted version, several questions are missing, compared to the original, because they are obsolete in the context of the 2019/20 material.**

## Part A

Consider the following Source program:

```
function make_matrix(x, y) {  
    let a = [];  
    for (let i = 0; i < x; i = i + 1) {  
        a[i] = [];  
        for (let j = 0; j < y; j = j + 1) {  
            a[i][j] = 0;  
        }  
    }  
    return a;  
}  
  
make_matrix(3,4);
```

**Question 1:** How many arrays get created, when this program runs?

- 1 ☐ A 1
- 1 ☐ B 4
- 1 ☐ C 12
- 1 ☐ D 81
- 1 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** B: The matrix, and its three rows.

**Question 2:** How many array assignments (assigning a value at a particular index in an array) are carried out during the evaluation of the program above?

- 2 ☐ A 3
- 2 ☐ B 4
- 2 ☐ C 12
- 2 ☐ D 64
- 2 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** E: 15 (12 array assignments in the inner loop and 3 assignments in the outer loop)

## Part B

Consider the following Source program:

```
function f(x) {  
    function g(y) {  
        return (y === 0) ? x : f(y - 1);  
    }  
    return g(x);  
}  
f(10);
```

**Question 3:** How many environment frames get created during the evaluation of this program, excluding the global frame?

- 3 ☐ A 4
- 3 ☐ B 12
- 3 ☐ C 23
- 3 ☐ D 34
- 3 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** D: The correct number of environment frames for this program is 34.

**Question 4:** How many function objects get created during the evaluation of this program?

- 4 ☐ A 2
- 4 ☐ B 12
- 4 ☐ C 23
- 4 ☐ D 34
- 4 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** B: 12 (11 function objects for function `g` and one for function `f`)

**Question 5:** Some of the environment frames will contain the variable `g`. Which variable do these frame also contain?

- 5 ☐ A `x`
- 5 ☐ B `y`
- 5 ☐ C `f`
- 5 ☐ D `display`
- 5 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** E: none of the above

## Part C

Consider the following program.

```
function curry(f) {  
    return x => y => f(x, y);  
}  
curry(math_pow)(3)(4);
```

**Question 6:** How many function objects get created when this program is evaluated?

- 6 ☐ A 0
- 6 ☐ B 1
- 6 ☐ C 3
- 6 ☐ D 5
- 6 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** C: 3

**Question 7:** One of the environment frames that get created will contain the variable `f`. Which variable does this frame also contain?

- 7 ☐ A `x`
- 7 ☐ B `y`
- 7 ☐ C `curry`
- 7 ☐ D `math_pow`
- 7 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** E: That frame only has variable `f`

## Part D

Consider the following program for binary search:

```
function binary_search(a, v) {  
  function search(low, high) {  
    if (low > high) {  
      return false;  
    } else {  
      let mid = math_floor((low + high) / 2);  
      return (v === a[mid])  
        ||  
        ( (v < a[mid])  
          ? search(low, mid - 1)  
          : search(mid + 1, high)  
        );  
    }  
  }  
  return search(0, array_length(a) - 1);  
}  
binary_search([1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15], 12);
```

**Question 8:** The frames that contain the variable `mid` also contain

- 8 ☐ A the variables `low`, `high`  
8 ☐ B the variables `a`, `v`  
8 ☐ C the variable `binary_search`  
8 ☐ D the variable `search`  
8 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** E: There is a frame for just the alternative statement of the conditional.

**Question 9:** How many times will the function `search` be called during the evaluation of this program?

- 9 ☐ A twice  
9 ☐ B 3 times  
9 ☐ C 4 times  
9 ☐ D 5 times  
9 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** C: 4 times (arguments: 0,7; 4,7; 6,7; 6,5)

## Part E

Consider the following program from the lectures.

```
function permutations(s) {  
  return is_null(s)  
    ? list(null)  
    : accumulate(  
      append, null,  
      map(x =>  
        map(p => pair(x, p),  
          permutations(remove(x, s))),  
      s));  
}  
permutations(list(1));
```

**Question 10:** According to the environment model, the evaluation of a variable requires a lookup of the variable in the innermost frame of the current environment. If the lookup fails, the innermost frame of the *enclosing* environment is used, and so on until the global environment is reached. When evaluation reaches the expression `pair(x, p)` during the evaluation of the program, the variable `pair` is looked up in frame(s). How many frame lookups will fail, before the value of `pair` is found in the global frame?

- 10 ☐ A 1
- 10 ☐ B 2
- 10 ☐ C 3
- 10 ☐ D 4
- 10 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** D: 4 (one frame with `p`, one with `x`, one with `s`, and one with `permutations`)

**Question 11:** How many function objects get created during the evaluation of the program?

- 11 ☐ A 1
- 11 ☐ B 3
- 11 ☐ C 5
- 11 ☐ D 6
- 11 ☐ E none of the above

**Answer:** B: 3 (each function expression/statement gives rise to one function object, here)

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