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EC5080: Software Construction  
Lab – 01: Introduction to Java language features

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Duration: 3 Hours

1. Following Java program is written to check whether a given number is an *ugly number*. In number system, ugly numbers are positive numbers whose only prime factors are 2, 3 or 5. First ten ugly numbers are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10 and 12. By convention, number 1 is included.

Test Data (Input an integer number): 235

Expected Output: It is not an ugly number.

```
public class UglyNumber {  
    public static void main(String[] args){  
        int n = 235;  
        while (n != 1){  
            if (n % 5 == 0) n /= 5;  
            else if (n % 3 == 0) n /= 3;  
            else if (n % 2 == 0) n /= 2;  
            else System.out.print("It is not an ugly number.");  
        }  
        System.out.print("It is an ugly number.");  
        System.out.print("\n");  
    }  
}
```

- i. Is there any difference between the output you get and the expected output?
  - ii. If your answer for the above question is yes, modify the above code to print the correct output.
2. The code block below shows a **Python** program to count the number of even and odd numbers from a series of numbers.

```
numbers = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9)  
count_odd = 0  
count_even = 0  
for x in numbers:  
    if not x % 2:  
        count_even+=1  
    else:  
        count_odd+=1  
print("Number of even numbers :",count_even)  
print("Number of odd numbers :",count_odd)
```

- i. What will be the output for the above program? (You can use online Python editor to check the output)
- ii. Is Python a statically or dynamically typed language? Explain your answer.

- iii. Implement the same functionality in Java.
- iv. Modify your Java program to prompt the input from the user and count the odd and even numbers.

### 3.

- i. Explain in detail how *stack* and *heap* memory are used.
- ii. In which memory area, the variable *temp* and variable *card*, declared in following Java program's main method, get stored? Explain your answer.

```
class CreditCard{
    int num;
}
public class Bank {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        int temp;
        CreditCard card;
    }
}
```

- iii. What is Garbage Collection in Java?
- iv. Briefly describe the advantages and disadvantages of Garbage Collection technique implemented in Java.
- v. The following Java program is a sample code to explain different ways of how objects are made eligible for garbage collection.

```
package lk.ac.jfn.eng.ec5080.l1;

public class Message {
    String message;

    public Message(String msg) {
        this.message = msg;
    }

    public void display() {
        print(this.message);
    }

    public void print(String message) {
        Message msg = new Message("The message: " + message);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Message msg_1 = new Message("SC1");
        Message msg_2 = new Message("SC2");
        msg_1 = msg_2;
        msg_1.display();
        new Message("SC3").display();
        msg_1 = null;
        System.gc();
    }

    public void finalize() {
        System.out.println("'" + this.message + "'" + " successfully
garbage collected");
    }
}
```

- a. The program produced following output when executed. Explain the reason of the output by highlighting the ways the objects were garbage collected.
- ```
'The message: SC3' successfully garbage collected  
'SC3' successfully garbage collected  
'The message: SC2' successfully garbage collected  
'SC1' successfully garbage collected
```
- b. Will the program produce same output consistently when executed multiple times? Explain your answer briefly.

4. Write a Java Program to print the number of days in a given month of a year. The program should use following input and output format.

```
Input: February 2000  
Output: 29
```

The program will be evaluated based on the correctness and efficiency. You are expected to consider following features of Java language wherever applicable to use best coding practices.

- control constructs
- static / dynamic typing
- scope and name-spaces

**Instructions:**

- Create a zip file named L1\_2018\_E\_xxx which contains all the Java programs and the answer sheet.
- Upload the zip file on/before given deadline via team.
- Any plagiarized work will be given 0 marks.