

COMP 333 MIDTERM

1. Name one reason why someone might want to use virtual dispatch.

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2. Name one reason why someone might not want to use virtual dispatch.

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3. Consider the following Java code:

```
public class Main {  
    public static void makeCall(final I1 value) {  
        value.doThing();  
    }  
    public static void main(final String[] args) {  
        final I1 t1 = new C1();  
        final I1 t2 = new C2();  
        makeCall(t1);  
        makeCall(t2);  
    }  
}
```

```
public interface I1 {  
    public void doThing();  
}
```

```
public class C1 implements I1 {  
    public void doThing() {  
        System.out.println("c1");  
    }  
}
```

```
public class C2 implements I1 {  
    public void doThing() {  
        System.out.println("c2");  
    }  
}
```

What is the output of the main method?

4. Consider the following code snippet:

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Operation op1 = new AddOperation(); // line 3  
        Operation op2 = new SubtractOperation(); // line 4  
        int res1 = op1.doOp(5, 3); // line 5  
        int res2 = op2.doOp(5, 3); // line 6  
        System.out.println(res1); // line 7; should print 8  
        System.out.println(res2); // line 8; should print 5  
    }  
}
```

Define any interfaces and/or classes necessary to make this snippet print 8, followed by 2.

5. Consider the following Java code, which simulates a lock which can be either locked or unlocked. The lock is an immutable data structure, so locking or unlocking returns a new lock in an appropriate state: Refactor this code to use virtual dispatch, instead of using if/else. As a hint, you should have a base class/interface for Lock, and subclasses for locked and unlocked locks. (Continued on to next page)

```
public class Lock {
    private final boolean locked;
    public Lock(final boolean locked) {
        this.locked = locked;
    }
    public Lock unlock() {
        if (locked) {
            System.out.println("lock unlocked");
            return new Lock(false);
        } else {
            System.out.println("lock already unlocked");
            return this;
        }
    }
    public Lock lock() {
        if (!locked) {
            System.out.println("lock locked");
            return new Lock(true);
        } else {
            System.out.println("lock already locked");
            return this;
        }
    }
    public boolean isLocked() {
        return locked;
    }
}
```

Refactor this code to use virtual dispatch, instead of using if/else. As a hint, you should have a base class/interface for Lock, and subclasses for locked and unlocked locks. (Continued on to next page)

6. The code below does not compile. Why?

```
public class MyClass extends MyInterface {  
    public void foo() {}  
    public void bar() {}  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        MyInterface a = new MyClass();  
        a.bar();  
    }  
}
```

```
public interface MyInterface {  
    public void foo();  
}
```

7. Java supports sub-typing. Write a Java code snippet that compiles and uses sub-typing.

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8. Name one reason why someone might prefer static typing over dynamic typing.

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9. Name one reason why someone might prefer dynamic typing over static typing.

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10. Name one reason why someone might prefer strong typing over weak typing.

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11. Name one reason why someone might prefer weak typing over strong typing.

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