

Data Structures
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Midterm (Part 1: Chap. 1-3)

CHAPTER 1 PROBLEMS

Problem 1.1. (1 point)

Convert each time formula to big-O notation.

- a) $10n$
- b) $2n^2$
- c) $3\log(n)$
- d) $2n^2 + 10n$

Problem 1.2. (1 point)

List the following formulas in order of running time analysis, from greatest to least time requirements, assuming that n is very large: n^2 ; $50 \log n$; 1,000,000; $10n + 10,000$.

Problem 1.3. (1 point)

Write the simplest big-O expression to describe the number of operations required for the following algorithm:

```
for (i = 1; i < N; ++i) {  
    ...statements that require exactly i operations...  
}
```

Problem 1.4. (1 point)

What will happen if a function is executed and the precondition for the function is not met?

- A. An error message will be printed.
- B. The program will loop indefinitely.
- C. The system will crash.
- D. Any of the above results could happen.

Problem 1.5. (1 point)

If the precondition fails, it is a good idea to write a useful error message and then halt the program. Why is the program halted?

- A. Most operating systems forbid continuation.
- B. The function is no longer guaranteed to make the postcondition true.
- C. The function's memory requires have become exponential (or worse).
- D. The function's running time has become exponential (or worse).

Problem 1.6. (1 point)

Which of these is used to stop the program execution when a precondition is not met.

- A. `assert();`
- B. `exit();`
- C. `return();`
- D. `void();`

Problem 1.7. (1 point)

What is the easiest way to turn off all assertion checking in a program?

- A. `#define NASSERT` should appear before any include directives.

- B. #define NDEBUG should appear before any include directives.
- C. Comment out each occurrence of the assert statement.
- D. All of the above.

Problem 1.8. (1 point)

What does a run-time analysis usually count?

- A. The number of arithmetic and other operations required for the program to run
- B. The number of megabytes required for the program to run
- C. The number of seconds required for the program to run
- D. The number of seconds plus the number of megabytes
- E. The number of seconds times the number of megabytes

Problem 1.9. (1 point)

Which of these is the correct big-O expression for $1+2+3+\dots+n$?

- A. $O(\log n)$
- B. $O(n)$
- C. $O(n \log n)$
- D. $O(n^2)$

Problem 1.10. (1 point)

Prove your answer for the previous problem.

Problem 1.11. (1 point)

Which of the following formulas in big-O notation best represent the expression $n^2+35n+6$?

- A. $O(n^3)$
- B. $O(n^2)$
- C. $O(n)$
- D. $O(42)$

Problem 1.12. (1 point)

Here is some code for an integer variable n:

```
while (n > 0) n = n/10; // Use integer division
```

What is the worst-case time analysis for the above loop?

- A. $O(1)$
- B. $O(\log n)$
- C. $O(n)$
- D. $O(n^2)$

CHAPTER 2 PROBLEMS

Problem 2.1. (1 point)

What is the difference between a class and an object?

Problem 2.2. (1 point)

Here is part of the throttle declaration:

```
class throttle
{
public:
    void shut_off();
    double flow();
    ...
private:
    int position;
};
```

Write several lines of C++ code to declare a throttle called quiz, activate the member function that shuts off quiz's flow, and then print the current flow from quiz.

Problem 2.3. (1 point)

What is a macro guard in a header file, and what is its purpose? Give a small example as part of your answer.

Problem 2.4. (1 point)

Write one clear sentence telling me when it would be appropriate to use a reference parameter.

Problem 2.5. (1 point)

Is it possible for a member function of a class to activate another member function of the same class?

- A. No.
- B. Yes, but only public member functions.
- C. Yes, but only private member functions.
- D. Yes, both public and private member functions can be activated within another member function.

Problem 2.6. (1 point)

Can two classes contain member functions with the same name?

- A. No.
- B. Yes, but only if the two classes have the same name.
- C. Yes, but only if the main program does not declare both kinds
- D. Yes, this is always allowed.

Problem 2.7. (1 point)

What is the primary purpose of a default constructor?

- A. To allow multiple classes to be used in a single program.
- B. To copy an actual argument to a function's parameter.
- C. To initialize each object as it is declared.
- D. To maintain a count of how many objects of a class have been created.

Problem 2.8. (1 point)

Suppose that the foo class does not have an overloaded assignment operator. What happens when an assignment `a=b;` is given for two foo objects?

- A. The automatic assignment operator is used
- B. The copy constructor is used
- C. Compiler error
- D. Run-time error

Problem 2.9. (1 point)

When should you use a const reference parameter?

- A. Whenever the data type might be many bytes.
- B. Whenever the data type might be many bytes, the function changes the parameter within its body, and you do NOT want these changes to alter the actual argument.
- C. Whenever the data type might be many bytes, the function changes the parameter within its body, and you DO want these changes to alter the actual argument.
- D. Whenever the data type might be many bytes, and the function does not change the parameter within its body.

Problem 2.10. (1 point)

Here is a small function definition:

```
void f(int i, int &k)
{
    i = 1;
    k = 2;
}
```

Suppose that a main program has two integer variables `x` and `y`, which are given the value 0. Then the main program calls `f(x,y);` What are the values of `x` and `y` after the function `f` finishes?

- A. Both `x` and `y` are still 0.
- B. `x` is now 1, but `y` is still 0.
- C. `x` is still 0, but `y` is now 2.
- D. `x` is now 1, and `y` is now 2.

CHAPTER 3 PROBLEMS

Problem 3.1. (1 point)

For the bag class in Chapter 3 (using a fixed array and a typedef statement) what steps were necessary for changing from a bag of integers to a bag of double values?

- A. Change the array declaration from `int data[CAPACITY]` to `double data[CAPACITY]` and recompile.
- B. Change the `int` to `double` in the typedef statement and recompile.
- C. Round each double value to an integer before putting it in the bag.
- D. Round each double value to an integer after taking it out of the bag.

Problem 3.2. (1 point)

I have an array named `data`, which contains `n` integers. I want to print all of the numbers, starting at `data[0]`. BUT if the number 42 occurs, then I want to stop my printing just before the 42 (without printing the 42!). Here is most of my for-loop to accomplish my goal:

```
for (i = 0; _____; i++)  
    cout << data[i] << endl;
```

What is the correct way to fill in the blank? (If there is more than one correct answer, please select E.)

- A. `(data[i] != 42) && (i < n)`
- B. `(data[i] != 42) || (i < n)`
- C. `(i < n) && (data[i] != 42)`
- D. `(i < n) || (data[i] != 42)`
- E. More than one of the above answers is correct.

Problem 3.3. (1 point)

What is the best C++ statement to use when a program must choose between several alternatives that are controlled by the value of a single variable? A. do-while statement B. for-statement C. if-else statement D. switch statement E. while statement