CMPT 225-D100 Midterm Exam 1 Summer 2023, Burnaby

Sample Exam

This is a **50 minute closed book exam**: notes, books, computers, calculators, electronic devices, etc. are **not** permitted. Do not speak to any other students during their exam or look at their work. Please remain seated and **raise your hand** if you have a question.

Linked Lists

(10 marks) Suppose you have a C++ program with a **singly-linked list** based on this:

```
struct Node {
   int data;
   Node* next;
};

Node* head = nullptr; // head is a global variable
```

head is a global variable that points to the first element of the list. If head is nullptr, then the list is empty. Note that there is *no* class, and the negate_biggest() function requested below should directly use head.

Question

Using detailed C++-like pseudocode, write a function called negate_biggest() that:

- Returns a copy of the biggest data value in the list.
- Negates (i.e. multiplies by -1) the biggest value in the list. No other changes are made to the list.
- Traverses the list at most one time.
- **Doesn't** use recursion.

Assume the list is non-empty, and that there are *no* duplicates (i.e. every data value is unique).

For example, suppose your program creates a list like this:

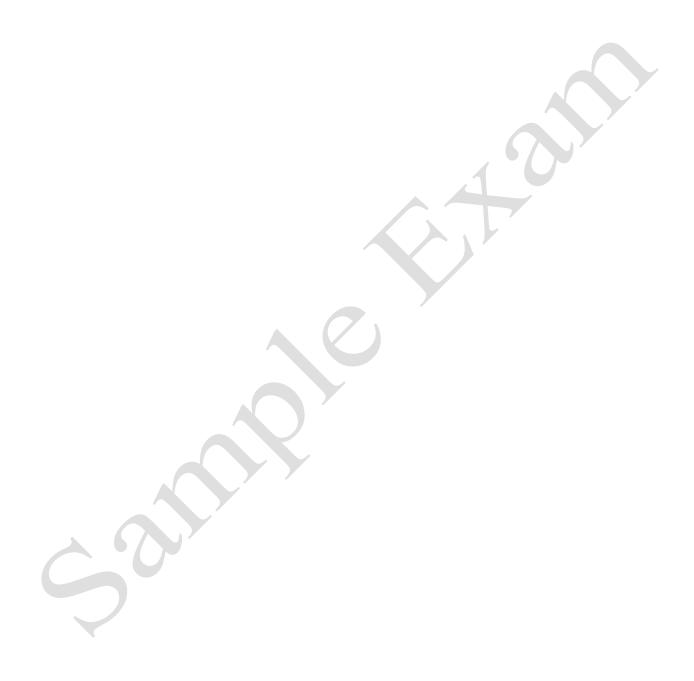
```
head = new Node{0, nullptr};
head = new Node{2, head};
head = new Node{1, head};
```

When you call negate_biggest() it returns 2, and the 2 in the list is negated:



Your negate_biggest() should work for *any* valid singly-linked list, not just this example. Your answer should be efficient and not use any unnecessary memory. **Don't** use arrays or vectors or other such data structures in your answer.

Please write your answer on the next page.



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Stacks

(10 marks) Suppose the Stack class contains ints, and has these methods:

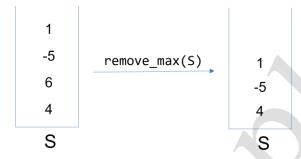
- S.push(x) inserts x on the top of S.
- S.pop() removes, but does **not** return, the top int of S; if S is empty, an error occurs.
- S.peek() returns, but does **not** remove, a copy of the top int of S; if S is empty, an error occurs.
- S.empty() returns true if S is empty, and false otherwise.
- S.size() returns the number of ints in S.
- When you define a new stack it starts empty, e.g.:

```
Stack S; // S is empty
Stack T; // T is empty
```

Question

Using **detailed** C++-**like pseudocode**, write a function (not a method!) called **remove_max(Stack& S)** that removes the *biggest* element in S, and leaves the rest of the elements in the same order. To make things easier, you can assume S is non-empty, and that all the ints on S are different (i.e. S has no duplicates).

For example:



Important Only use Stacks in your answers: **don't** use arrays, vectors, lists, or other such data structures. You can use as many stacks as you need (but try to use as few as possible).

Important remove_max(Stack& s) is a *function*, **not** a method in a class. So it can only use the Stack methods described above, and should not make any assumptions about how Stack is implemented.

Write your answer on the next page.

Please use brief comments to explain the main sections of your answer.

```
// Pre-conditions:
// S is not empty
// S has no duplicates
// Post-condition:
// modifies S so that its max element is removed,
// and other elements are still there in the same order
void remove_max(Stack& S)
{
```

O-notation and Analysis

a) (5 mark) State the precise mathematical definition of "f(n) is O(g(n))".

b) (5 marks) Using the definition of O-notation, mathematically prove that 20n - 50 is O(n).

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Trees

Let p be a node in a tree T, as defined in the textbook and lectures. The **depth** of p is defined to be the number of ancestors of p, excluding p itself.

- a) (4 marks) Draw a tree:
 - that is **not** binary.
 - where the root is labelled "root".
 - with **exactly** 4 **leaf** nodes, each labelled "leaf".
 - with **exactly** 2 different nodes of **depth** 4, labelled A and B.

b) (2 marks) Give a **recursive definition** of the depth of a node p in a tree T.

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