## **COM498 Algorithms and Data Structures**

## **Challenge 2.1 - Animals and Lions**

## The Lion sub-class

- 1. In your Animal project develop a sub-class of **Animal** called **Lion**.
  - a. Provide the sub-class with an integer class variable to count the number of **Lion** objects created.
  - b. The sub-class should also have two instance variables

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age e.g. 3, 5
name e.g. "Leo", "Simba"
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- c. It should also have the following constructor methods:
  - A default constructor method
  - A constructor method which accepts four parameters (two to initialise the inherited properties **food** and **lifeExpectancy**, and two to initialise the **Lion** instance variables **age** and **name**).
- 2. Write a method called **setAge()** which accepts an integer as a parameter and sets the **age** instance variable to this value.
- 3. Write a **toString()** method for the **Lion** class to return an appropriate message indicating the age, food it eats and whether or not it has a mane make use of the **toString()** method in the **Animal** class.
- 4. Write a method called **numberOfLions()** to return the number of **Lion** objects created.

## The TestAnimal Application class

- 5. Write an application class called **TestAnimal** that will create two **Lion** objects called **myLion1** and **myLion2**. Initialise the properties required with values of your own choice.
- 6. Make a call to an appropriate method to set the **age** of **MyLion1** to 3.
- 7. Print out the details of myLion1 using the toString() method and the number of Lions created using the numberOfLions() method.