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**COURSE:** CSF301 (Principles of Programming Languages)

**COMPONENT:** Tutorial Sheet 1 **DATE:** 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

**Q1:** Differentiate in between Imperative- and Declarative- Languages.

#### **Answer:**

Imperative Programming	Declarative Programming
In this, programs specify how it is to be	In this, programs specify what is to be done.
done.	
It simply describes the control flow of	It simply expresses the logic of computation.
computation.	
Its main goal is to describe how to get it	Its main goal is to describe the desired result
or accomplish it.	without direct dictation on how to get it.
Its advantages include ease to learn and	Its advantages include effective code, which can
read, the notional model is simple to	be applied by using ways, easy extension, high
understand, etc.	level of abstraction, etc.
Its type includes procedural	Its type includes logic programming and
programming, object-oriented	functional programming.
programming, parallel processing	
approach.	
In this, the user is allowed to make	In this, a compiler is allowed to make
decisions and commands to the	decisions.
compiler.	

**Q2:** How compilation can be more efficient than interpretation?

#### **Answer:**

Compiled languages are converted directly into machine code that the processor can execute. As a result, they tend to be faster and more efficient to execute than interpreted languages. They also give the developer more control over hardware aspects, like memory management and CPU usage.

**Q3:** What is orthogonality? Brief it with example.

#### **Answer:**

Refer PoPL Lecture 2 notes slides 6,7.

**Q4:** Which features of programming language should support for good writability? and how it is achieved in programming language like Java?

### **Answer:**

Programming language should support simplicity, orthogonality, data types, syntax design, support for abstraction, expressivity.

Student should write the example of six features with respect to Java.

Q5: Enlist the most suitable programming languages for following application design,

- A. Launching a satellite in space: Assembly Language, Embedded C
- B. Predicting a soli moisture from available dataset: Python, Julia etc.
- C. Selecting an employee name and id from employee database with respect to specific conditions.: SQL
- D. Design of an operating system: C, C++
- E. Developing a E-commerce web application: Java, Javascript, html etc.

**Q6:** Multiple choice questions

- a. von Neumann machine is one of the most fundamental concepts in computer science. What programming paradigm most closely follows this concept?
  - A. Imperative B. Object-oriented D. Functional E. Logic
- b. If you teach someone to make a food, you are in fact teaching,

A.Imperative programming B. Declarative Programming

c. If you teach someone to order food from restaurant, you are in fact teaching,

A.Imperative programming B. Declarative Programming

d. Which of the following languages nearer to be Turing-complete?

A.C B. Java D. C++ E. All of these

- e. Which of the following programming languages satisfy most of the language evaluation criteria's and characteristics associated with it?
  - A. Java B. Python D. ALGOL E. Fortran