

# 1007 Principles of Programming

## 2005 Exam

## 2.5 Hours

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**Answer ALL questions from Part I and TWO questions from Part II**

(Note that in all questions the Java or Prolog code given in your answers does not have to be syntactically perfect but should, at least, be a good approximation.)

**Part I**

Q1.

a) Outline how the following statement is evaluated and state what value `n` is initialised to.

```
int n = 8 / 2 * 3 * 4 + 3 - 2 / 2;
```

[5 marks]

b) Write a method with this signature:

```
public int[] create(int n, int x)
```

that creates an array with `n` elements, all initialised to the value of `x`.

[6 marks]

c) Write a method with this signature:

```
public boolean f(int[] a, int b)
```

that returns true if the value of `b` is stored in *any* element of array `a`. For example, when called with the array 1,2,3,4,5 and the value 3 the method returns true, when called with 1,2,3,4,5 and the value 6 the method returns false.

[6 marks]

d) Write a method with this signature:

```
public boolean g(int[] a, int[] b)
```

that returns true if all the values stored in array `b` are also stored at some index in array `a`. For example if `a` holds 1,2,3,4,5 and `b` holds 2,3,2,1,1 then the method returns true, as all the values in `b` are stored somewhere in `a`.

[8 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

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Q2. a) For each of the following state whether it is a legal data object in Prolog. If it is, state whether it is an atom, number, variable or structure.

`nil`

`x25`

`'Sarah Jones'`

`Tom`

`date(1,feb,2005)`

`[tennis,football,[swimming,climbing]]`

`_23`

`5(X,Y)`

`100`

`happy(cat)`

[10 marks]

b) Given a set of predicates in the form of `parent(X,Y)`, indicating  $X$  is the parent of  $Y$ , write a predicate `ancestor(X,Z)` that is true if  $X$  is the ancestor of  $Z$ .

[5 marks]

c) Assume that a rectangle is represented by the term `rectangle(P1,P2,P3,P4)` where the  $P$ s are the four points of the rectangle. Write the predicate `regular(R)` that is true if  $R$  is a rectangle whose sides are vertical and horizontal.

[5 marks]

d) Define a predicate `max(X,Y,Max)` so that  $Max$  is the greater of the two numbers  $X$  and  $Y$ .

[5 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

**End of Part I**

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**Part II Answer TWO Questions from this Part**

Q3. a) Explain each of the following:

operator, encapsulation, compound statement, void, break

[2 marks each, total of 10 marks]

b) State the scope and lifetime rules for local, parameter and instance variables.

[ 5 marks]

c) Write a method to display filled right-hand triangles using characters. The height of the triangle and the character used to display a triangle should be passed as method parameters. Note that your code can only output one character at a time.

Two examples are:

filledTriangle(4, '\*')

```
  *
 * *
* * *
* * * *
```

filledTriangle(6, '#')

```
  #
 ##
###
####
#####
#####
```

[10 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

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Q4.

a) Consider this method:

```
public int g(int n)
{
    if (n < 1)
    {
        return 1;
    }
    else
    {
        return (n + 1) + g(n - 1);
    }
}
```

Write down the values returned by the following method calls:

`g(1)`, `g(2)`, `g(4)`, `g(g(2))`, `g(-1)`

[10 marks]

b) Explain what an `ArrayList` is and how it differs from an array.

[5 marks]

c) Write a method with the following signature:

```
public ArrayList f(ArrayList a, String s)
```

that returns a new `ArrayList` containing any `String` stored in the parameter `a` that comes alphabetically before the `String s`. If no strings are found an empty `ArrayList` is returned. Assume the parameter `ArrayList` contains only strings.

For example, given an `ArrayList` containing “the”, “and”, “you” and the string “it”, the method would return a new `ArrayList` containing “and”.

[10 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

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Q5.

a) Write a predicate `sorted(List)` that is true if `List` is a sorted list of integers.

[5 marks]

b) Write the predicate `maxlist(List,Max)` so that `Max` is the greatest number in the list of integers `List`.

[5 marks]

c) Write a predicate `count(List,N)` so that `N` is the number of elements of the list `List`.

[5 marks]

d) Write a predicate, using `append`, to delete the last three elements from a list `L` producing another list `L1`.

[5 marks]

e) Define the predicate `last(Item,List)` so that `Item` is the last element of a list `List`.

[5 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

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Q6.

a) The following relation classifies numbers into three classes: positive, zero and negative:

```
class(Number,positive) :- Number > 0.
```

```
class(0,zero).
```

```
class(Number,negative) :- Number < 0.
```

Define this relation in a more efficient way using cuts.

[5 marks]

b) Write a predicate `translate(Number,Word)` so that `Number` and `Word` are mutual translations of each other for numbers from 1 to 5. For example, in `translate(Number,two)` `Number` is 2; in `translate(2,Word)` `Word` is 'two'.

[5 marks]

c) Write a predicate `showelement(List)` that displays every element of a list `List`.

[5 marks]

d) Define the predicate `sumlist(List,Sum)` so that `Sum` is the sum of a given list of numbers `List`.

[5 marks]

e) Given a list

```
List=[jan,feb,march,april,may,june,july,aug,sept,oct,nov,dec]
```

define a predicate that returns all the months before june and all the months after june.

[5 marks]

[Total 25 marks]

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