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First Semester Examinations – Month 2013
COSC211: Introduction to Object Oriented Programming I

Attempt **ALL** the questions

Time: **120** mins

1. Examine the following Java code and answer the questions that follow.
[Note that line numbers are not part of the code and are for reference only.]

```
1. //Tree.java
2.
3. public class Tree{
4.     private double girth;
5.     private double height;
6.
7.     public Tree(double girth, double height){
8.         setGirth(girth);
9.         setHeight(height);
10.    }
11.
12.    public Tree(){
13.        this(0.01, 0.05);
14.    }
15.
16.    public double getGirth(){
17.        return girth;
18.    }
19.
20.    public double getHeight(){
21.        return height;
22.    }
23.
24.    public void setGirth(double girth){
25.        if(girth < 0.01) girth = 0.01;
26.        this.girth = girth;
27.    }
28.
29.    public double setHeight(double height){
30.        if(height < 0.05) height = 0.05;
```

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```
31.         this.height = height;
32.     }
33.
34.     public String toString(){
35.         return String.format("Girth %8.2f\t" +
36.             "Height %8.2f", girth, height);
37.     } //end of class Tree
```

(a) The class has two fields, both *private*. Explain why such fields are normally kept private.

(b) There are two *constructors*, one on lines 7 to 10 and one on lines 12 to 14. Describe two characteristics that these constructor methods have.

(c) When there is more than one constructor defined in a class how does the JVM distinguish between them? Explain the term *signature*.

(d) There are two *getter methods*. Identify them and explain what they are for.

(e) There are two cases of *data validation* performed by this code. What lines are they on and how do they work?

(f) The keyword `this` is used in two different senses. First on line 13 it is used in a constructor. Second on lines 26 and 30 it is used in a mutator. Explain each of these usages fully.

(g) There is a `toString()` method. What is it used for? What characteristics must a `toString()` method have?

(h) Write the Java source code for a program that will instantiate two `Tree` objects and display their field values.

2. The following code, stored in the files `Worker.java` and `WorkerPay.java`, has **eight** errors in it.

[Note that line numbers are not part of the code and are for reference only.]

```
1. //Worker.java
2.
```

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```
3. public Worker{
4.     private static final double HOURLY_PAY =
        2000.00;
5.     private static final int BASE_HOURS = 40;
6.     private hours;
7.
8.     public Worker(int hours){
9.         setHours(hours);
10.    }
11.
12.    public void setHours(int hours){
13.        if(hours > 70) hours = 70
14.        this.hours = hours;
15.    }
16.
17.    public double calculatePay(){
18.        double pay;
19.        if hours > BASE_HOURS {
20.            pay = BASE_HOURS * HOURLY_PAY;
21.            pay += (hours - BASE_HOURS) *
                HOURLY_PAY * 1.5;
22.        }else{
23.            pay = hours * HOURLY_PAY;
24.            return pay;
25.        }
26.    } //end of class Worker

1. //WorkerPay.java
2.
3. public class WorkerPay{
4.     public void main(String[] args){
5.         Worker worker = new Worker(56);
6.         System.out.printf("Pay is %.2f\n",
            worker.calculatePay());
7.     }
8. } //end of class WorkerPay
```

(a) Locate each of the *eight* lines that contain an error and rewrite it correctly.

(b) Describe the purpose of the method `calculatePay()` on lines 17 to 25

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and explain how it works. (In answering this refer to the code you have corrected since the original may have errors.)

(c) Reproduce the screen display created when running the program *WorkerPay.class*, (compiled after the corrections have been applied).

3. (a) Explain *in full* the effect of the following lines of code if they appeared in a `main()` method..

```
(i) Dog myDog = new Dog();
(ii) int myNum = 27;
(iii) String myName = "Fatima Abubakar";
(iv) if(height >= 2.0)
        System.out.println("You are tall.\n");
    else
        System.out.println("You aren't tall.\n");
```

(b) There are two principal data types in the Java Programming Language: *primitive data types* and *objects*. Distinguish carefully between them.

(c) How many bits of storage do the following data types require: `int`, `byte`, `short`, `long`, `float`, `double`.

4. (a) Write the code for a class called `Course` that has the following private fields: `code (String)`; `title (String)`, `level (int)` and `semester (int)`.

There should be a constructor that sets the field values, passed as arguments. There should also be a *no-args* constructor that gives each field a suitable default value.

There should be *accessor* and *mutator* methods for each field. The mutator methods for `level` and `semester` should include suitable *validation checks*.

There should be an appropriate `toString()` method.

(b) Now write the code for a program that will instantiate the class you created in (a) above. The field values should be "COS211", "An Introduction to object-oriented programming I", 200 and 1, respectively. The program should display these field values.

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5. (a) Some methods return a value, others do not. Describe the differences between them in (i) how the methods are defined, and (ii) how the methods are called.

(b) Design a method that will take three integer arguments and return the smallest.

(c) Why is the `main()` method declared to be static.

6. (a) The following statements appear at the very start of a Java file.

```
import javax.swing.JFrame;  
import static java.lang.Math.*;
```

Explain what they are for.

(b) Write a Java program that will prompt the user for the size of the angles A and B, and the length of the side BC of a triangle ABC. The program should calculate and display the length of the side AC. [Sine rule.]