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Failure to follow the proctors instructions can result in a failing (zero) grade.

• The exam proctors will not answer any technical questions. If you believe a question is ambiguous, write your assumptions on your sheet and answer accordingly.

• This is a closed book and closed notes exam. No electronic aids are allowed.

• You should have 10 pages total including one empty and one scratch page. The last sheet is scratch paper; you may detach it while taking the exam. You must hand in the whole manuscript including the scratch sheet before you leave.

• This exam tests your understanding of recursion: Unless specifically instructed you may not use loops – 'for', 'while', or 'do...while' – in this exam. Also, you may not create any additional unspecified class or instance variables or class or instance methods.

• You are not allowed to use the break, continue, or switch statements on this exam.

• Unless we say otherwise in the specific problem, you can assume all values entered by the user will be acceptable input for that program.

• For full marks correct syntax is required: Ensure all statements include a semicolon and the correct use of upper/lower case, single quotes and double quotes.

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1. Recursive Concepts – 14 points (2 points each)

Consider the following recursive function.

```java
public static int mystery(int a) {
    if(a == 256) return 3;
    return 1 + 2 * mystery(a*4);
}
```

a. Which line in the above code implements a Recursive Case? Line ______

b. Which line in the above code implements a Base Case? Line ______

c. Circle one italicized correct word within the {}'s to best describe the structure of the recursion.

"mystery(1) creates a { circle base runtime sandwich chain spray } of activations"

d. Carefully explain why the mystery method is forward recursive not tail recursive. Your answer should highlight which parts of the method cause the method to be forward recursive.

e. mystery(255) does not return an integer result. Complete the following sentence to explain why.

"mystery(255) is an example of ________________ recursion"

f. Refactor line 3 so that mystery uses a tree of activations:

New Line 3:

g. Which one of the following best describes the refactored mystery function, that has tree of activations, when compared to the original implementation?

A. mystery(1) is not well defined.
B. mystery(1) will now take the same amount of time to calculate the same result.
C. mystery(1) will now take more time to calculate the same result.
D. mystery(1) will now take less time to calculate the same result.
E. mystery(1) will now return a different result value.

Your answer: ______
2. Tracing code – 11 points

Consider the following method 'foo':

```java
public static int foo(int a, int b) {
    if (a==b) {
        return b;
    }
    int min = Math.min(a,b), max = Math.max(a,b);
    return foo(min,min) + foo( max - min , min);
}
```

a. Which one of the following statements best describes the method 'foo' in the above code?
   A. Causes a runtime error because class methods cannot be recursive.
   B. The method 'foo' is an example of an iterative method.
   C. Each activation will have its own local, temporary variable min.
   D. The value of min is shared over all activations
   E. The variable min is only initialized by the first activation of 'foo'.

   Your answer: ______

b. Which one of the following statements best describes the execution of foo(1,0)?
   A. Returns a small positive integer when executed on a modern Java virtual machine.
   B. Returns a small negative integer when executed on a modern Java virtual machine.
   C. Requires multiple threads so it causes a compile error on modern Java compilers.
   D. Example of infinite recursion. In practice an exception will be thrown.
   E. None of the above.

   _____

c. Create an activation diagram below for the execution of foo(3,12). For full marks ensure your activation diagram includes:
   • The method parameter values for each execution of foo.
   • Label the return arcs with the returned value, including the returned value of foo(3,12).

d. Use your diagram to determine the returned value of foo(3,12) ?

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e. How many times is foo activated (called), including the first "foo(3,12)" ?

   _____
3. Linked Lists – 15 points (5 points each)

The following code is a linked list of integers. Complete the linked list by writing three recursive instance methods described below. These methods are called on the head of the linked list. Do not use any loops in this question or create any other class or instance variables or any other class or instance methods (but local/temporary variables are allowed).

**insert** takes one integer parameter (the value to insert) and returns a reference to a Link (either the current link or the new link, whichever has the lower value). Insert the value such that the links are sorted by value (lowest values first).

**toSum** takes no parameters. Return the sum of all of the values.

**countEven** takes one parameter (an integer accumulator, initially zero) and returns an integer – the total number of links with an even value (hint: "%2" may be useful). For full marks use tail recursion.

```java
public class Link {
    private int value; // Always non-null
    private Link next; // null for the last link
    public Link(int v, Link n) {this.value = v; next = n;}

    // Complete the 'insert' recursive instance method here:
    public Link insert(int v) {
        if (v < this.value) return new Link( v, ___________ );
        if (next != ___________) next = ___________;
        else next = new Link( v, ___________ );
        return ___________; //we don't need to move.
    }

    // Write 'toSum' recursive instance method here:

    // Write 'countEven' tail recursive instance method here: (continue overleaf if necessary)
}
```
4. Twenty Questions. Tree Recursion – 15 points

The class below models a tree of Yes-No Questions for the game "20 Questions". Each question object is referenced just once in this network (i.e. it's a tree). Do not write any loops, or create any other methods, or create any other class or instance variables (temporary/local variables are allowed). Assume the methods below are initially called on the top-most item of the tree.

```java
public class Question {
    private String text;
    private Question yes; // possibly null
    private Question no; // possibly null
    // assume a constructor is written to initialize the above instance variables.

    a. Write a recursive instance method `count` that takes no parameters and returns an integer. Your method will recursively visit every question in the tree. Return the total number of question objects that have both `yes` and `no` set to `null`.

    b. Write an instance method `max` that takes no parameters and returns a reference to a question object: Return the question with the longest text.
```
5. Binary Search – 15 points

By analyzing tagged images and web pages, you create a simple database - an array of Pair objects (see below). Each Pair object contains a unique Facebook user name in lowercase and the likely UIUC email of the user:

```java
public class Pair {
    public String name;
    public String uiuc;
}
```

**a.** Complete the following recursive binary search method to quickly find the relevant Pair object in an array. Use a ‘divide and conquer’ approach: Assume the given array is already sorted alphabetically by the name variable. Search the array only between lo\textsuperscript{th} and hi\textsuperscript{th} indices for the Facebook user that matches the search parameter ‘key’. Return null if no name matches the search key. All values in the array are valid and non-null. Do not use loops or create any other methods or any other class variables. Local, temporary variables are allowed.

```java
class Lookup {

    public static Pair search(Pair[] data, String key, int lo, int hi) {
        // end method
    }
}
```

**b.** Create a wrapper class-method toEmail that returns a String and takes two parameters: 'data' – a sorted array of Pair objects, 'key' – a string which is the name to find. Return the corresponding email, or a question mark, ‘?’ if the key does not match any names. Use the search method above to perform the search of the array.

*Write your wrapper method here:*
6. Recursive Searching and Sorting Concepts – 15 points

a. Complete the following recursive method to return the index of the smallest value of the sub-array \{data[lo], data[lo+1], ... up to and including data[hi]\). Do not use any loops or create any other methods or class variables (but local variables are allowed). The data is not sorted. Assume 0 <= lo <= hi < data.length and the array values are unique.

```java
public static int findMin(double[] data, int lo, int hi) {
}
```

b. Which one of the following best describes a Selection sort on a pile of playing cards?

A. Divide the pile into two smaller piles of equal size: Recursively sort the two piles then merge them back together.
B. Partition the cards into two smaller piles "Highs" and "Lows" by choosing a threshold value then and recursively sort each of these two piles.
C. Put all of the unsorted cards down. Take any card from the unsorted pile and insert into its correct position of the sorted cards held in your hand.
D. Put all of the unsorted cards down. Keep picking up the smallest valued card from the remaining unsorted cards and append it to the cards held in your hand.

Your Answer: _______

c. Consider the following array of 8 values for sorting using Selection Sort (low to high).

| 7 | 3 | 11 | 17 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 35 |

Calculate the values in the array after the 4\(^{th}\) swap has completed. Write your answer below:

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |

d. Once all 8 array values have been sorted and all swaps have completed, how many times has the value '7' moved to a new position?

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how many times has the value '35' moved to a new position?

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how many times has selection sort called findMin (ie found the index of a minimum)?

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e. Choose the best description of this code:

```java
for(int i=0; i<data.length; i++) {
    int m = i;
    for(int j = i; j < data.length; j++)
        if(data[j] < data[m]) m = j;
    swap(data, i, m);
}
```

A. Recursive Quicksort
B. Iterative Quicksort
C. Recursive Selection sort
D. Iterative Selection sort
E. Recursive Insertion sort

Your Answer: _______
7. Recursive Dreaming. Selection Sort – 15 points

Complete the three methods below to correctly implement a recursive **selection sort** so the code matches the behavior described in the comments below. Do not write any loops.

You may assume I've written `findMin(double[] data, int lo, int hi)` and `findMax(double[] data, int lo, int hi)` methods, that may, or may not, be useful to you: The method `findMin` returns the index of the smallest value in the sub-array \{data[lo],data[lo+1],...,data[hi]\}. Similarly `findMax` returns the index of the largest.

```java
/** Swaps values at data[i] and data[j] */
public static void swap(double[] data, int i, int j) {
    double temp = data[i];
```

```java
/** Sorts all values (smallest first) between lo-th and hi-th index (inclusive) using a recursive selection sort. */
public static void sort(double[] data, int lo, int hi) {
```

```java
/** A wrapper method to sort the entire array using selection sort. This method just calls the recursive method above. */
public static void selectionSort(double[] data) {
```

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