EECS2030 (B & E) Fall 2021

Guide to Written Test 1

When: Thursday (September 30) & Friday (October 1)

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- This written test is strictly individual: identified collaborations will be reported to Lassonde for a breach of academic honesty.
- You are given 20 minutes to complete the submission. The time limit is strict.
- This written test accounts for 6% of your course grade.
- Unlike the labs (and the later programming tests), there will be <u>no</u> starter project for you to download and import.
- All questions will be answered on the B & E eClass site.

1 Rules

- Written Test 1 will be opened for submission at **14:00 EST** on **Thursday**, September 30.
- Written Test 1 will be **closed** for submission at **14:00 EST** on **Friday**, October 1.
- During the 24-hours submission period, there is a <u>single attempt of 20 minutes</u> for you to complete the test. That is, once you click on the test link and choose to start it, a timer of 20 minutes will start.
- Though this is a written test, you may be asked to write fragments of Java code in answer boxes.

2 Format

- Most ($\geq 70\%$) of the questions will be multiple-choice questions:
 - A true or false question
 - A question with a **single** correct answer
 - A question with multiple correct answers

e.g., Say you are given 5 answers for the question: 2 of them are correct (and 3 of them are incorrect). Accordingly, for each <u>correct</u> answer you choose will receive a credit of $\frac{100\%}{2} = 50\%$, whereas for each <u>incorrect</u> answer you choose will receive a penalty of $\frac{-100\%}{3} = -33.3\%$.

Say you chose one <u>correct</u> answer and one <u>incorrect</u> answer, then you would receive 50% + (-33.3%) = 16.7% of the full marks. Also, the minimum mark you can receive is 0 (e.g., when you chose one correct answer and two incorrect answers).

This mechanism is to ensure that one cannot just receive full marks by simply choosing all answers.

- There might be written questions requiring you to, e.g.,:
 - Write a fragment of Java code

In this case, minor syntax errors such as missing a semicolon will be excused.

- Explain how a given fragment of Java code works at runtime
- Explain why a given fragment of Java code works

3 Coverage for the Test

- You need **not** study Lab1 for the test.
- The concepts about Github and terminal commands are <u>not</u> covered in the test.
- All topics covered in the Review Tutorial on OOP in Java:
 - Tutorial Videos (Part 1 & Part 2)

Link

• iPad Notes

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• Classes and Objects (up to and including Slide 74)

PDF

- Written Notes:
 - * Inferring Classes/Methods from JUnit Tests

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- * Declaring and Manipulating Reference-Typed, Multi-Valued Attributes [Pdf]
- Lectures materials (slides, iPad notes, example code, recordings) from Week 3:
 - Lecture 2a: Exceptions

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4 Study Tips for the Test

- The test is meant to <u>test your understanding</u> of the taught concepts (which is different from a programming test in which you are expected to write Java programs with no syntax or type errors).
- Go through the slides and annotated iPad notes to review the concepts and examples. Re-watch parts
 of the lecture/tutorial videos if necessary.
- Skim through the topics discussed in the weekly Q&A sessions: watch ones you consider as helpful.
- Pay special attention to the logic explained on *tracing Java code* (e.g., use of a boolean variable to control the entrance into and exit from a loop, visualizing object creations and method calls).
- Given a piece of Java code, you are expected to judge:
 - If it does not compiler, then what syntax errors or type errors?
 - If it compiles:
 - Will an exception occur (e.g., IndexOutOfBoundsException, NullPointerException)?
 - If no exception will occur at <u>runtime</u>, then what **console output** will it produce? Are there any **logical errors** (i.e., the output is not as expected)?

5 Example Test

- An example test has been made available on the B & E eClass site (under the Written Tests section).
 You can attempt this test for as many times as you wish.
 - This example test will be <u>closed</u> for submissions <u>shortly before</u> the actual test starts (i.e., 14:00 EST on Thursday, September).
- It is important note that these questions are meant for familiarizing yourself with the <u>format</u> and <u>workflow</u> of the test, and they cover <u>only</u> some of the topics required by the actual test: you are expected to study all materials as listed in Section 4.