

## Midterm Exam 1

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COMPUTER PROGRAMMING FOR ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE  
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### Instructions:

1. This is open book, open note, but not open neighbor.
2. If you have a question about the meaning of an exercise, ask! Getting things wrong because of misunderstandings can be aggravating for me as well as you.
3. If answers do not fit in the space provided, use the back of a sheet and very carefully indicate and label this so I don't miss it in grading.
4. You may take the entire period.

1. (10 points) Keeping in mind that a logical array is utilized quite differently from a numeric array, consider the follow interaction:

```
>> x = [3 5 1 7 6 2 4]
x =
     3     5     1     7     6     2     4
>> y = x > 0
y =
     1     1     1     1     1     1     1
>> z = double(y)
z =
     1     1     1     1     1     1     1
```

- (a) What is the result of entering the following three expressions?

```
>> x(y)    3 5 1 7 6 2 4
>> x(z)    3 3 3 3 3 3 3
>> x(x)    1 6 3 4 2 5 7
```

2. (10 points) Consider the following code.

- (a) Give a formula for the final value to show how it can be calculated.

```
count = 0;
for a = 1:A
    for b = 1:B
        count = count + 1;
    end
    for b = 1:B
        count = count + 1;
    end
    for c = 1:C
        for d = 1:D
            for e = 1:E
                count = count+1;
            end
            for f = 1:F
                count = count+1;
            end
        end
    end
end
end
end
```

$$2AB + ACD(E+F)$$
~~$$2AB + ACD(E+F)$$~~

$$A(2B + C(D(E+F)))$$

3. (10 points) What is output by the following fragment of code?

```

for a = 5:-2:1
    for b = a:2:5
        for c = a:b
            fprintf('%1d %1d %1d\n', a, b, c)
        end
        fprintf('tee hee!\n')
    end
    fprintf('giggle!\n')
end
    
```

5 5 5  
 tee hee!  
 giggle!  
 3 3 3  
 tee hee!  
 3 5 3  
 3 5 4  
 3 5 5  
 tee hee!  
 giggle!  
 tee hee!  
 1 3 1  
 1 3 2  
 1 3 3  
 tee hee!  
 1 5 1  
 1 5 2  
 1 5 3  
 1 5 4  
 1 5 5  
 tee hee!  
 giggle!

4. (10 points) Convert each of the following to the missing forms.

(a) (postfix:)  $2\ 3\ 4\ * \ 5\ 6\ * \ + \ +$

(in)  $2 + (3 * 4 + 5 * 6)$

(b) (prefix:)  $* \ + \ * \ + \ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5$

(in)  $(2 + 3) * 4 + 5$

(post)  $2\ 3\ +\ 4\ * \ 5\ +$

5. (10 points) Rewrite as Matlab expressions and add parentheses to show how Matlab would calculate the following expressions.

(a)  $3 + 4 * 2 + 6/3/2^2 - 5^2$

$((((3 + (4 * 2)) + ((6 / 3) / (2^2)))) - (5^2))$

(b)  $3 > 8 + 2 || 4 == 2 + 5 * 6$

(c)  $3 > 9 | -5 <= 2 | 1 < 7 \& 2 < 5$   $((3 > (8 + 2)) || (4 == (2 + (5 * 6))))$

$((3 > 9) | (-5 <= 2)) || ((1 < 7) \& (2 < 5))$

6. (10 points) Consider the following logic expressions.

- Check the expressions in which short circuiting is enabled.
- Circle the expressions in which short circuiting actually occurs.
- Evaluate each expression. ~~000~~
- Where does a side effect of a function take place, and what happens? *c+d function prints 'howdy'*

Here are the expressions:

- ✓ (a)  $25 > 357 || true$  | 1
- ✓ (b)  $-5 == 8 \& \& 21 > 9$  | 0
- (c)  $45 < 24 | logical(fprintf('howdy'))$  | 1
- (d)  $45 < 245 | logical(fprintf('howdy'))$  | 1
- ✓ (e)  $45 < 245 || logical(fprintf('howdy'))$  | 1
- ✓ (f)  $true || 2 > 71$  | 1
- (g)  $2 - 16 < 6 \& 5 > 2$  | 1

7. (10 points) Write a piece of code that determines if *grade* is 'A', 'B', etc. and prints out an appropriate message for each. Do this in each of the following ways.

- Separate *if* statements
- One nested *if* statement (no *elseif*s are allowed)
- An *if* with *elseif*s
- A *switch* statement

(a)

```
if grade == 'A'
    disp ...
end
if grade == 'B'
    disp ...
end
...
```

(b)

```
if grade == 'A'
    disp
else
    if grade == 'B'
        disp
    else
        if grade == 'C'
            disp
        end
    end
end
...
```

(c)

```
if grade == 'A'
    disp
elseif grade == 'B'
    disp
...
end
```

(d)

```
switch grade
case 'A'
    disp
case 'B'
    disp
...
end
```

8. (10 points) Time complexity of algorithms is the subject of this exercise!

(a) In the selection sort algorithm (which is quadratic in complexity) there are repeated rounds of searching for the largest (or smallest) value in the section that is not yet sorted. The search algorithm is similar used to find that extreme value is very similar to sequential search. Why not use something similar to the binary search that is dramatically faster?

*binary only if already sorted!*

(b) How fast is the binary search algorithm? Explain.

$\log_2 n$  halves search space with each probe

(c) Until we got into looping, we really did not focus on time complexity. Why not?

*trivial!*

(d) Most sorting algorithms are quadratic in complexity. What is most likely the reason?

*n times to go through n things*

Question	Points	Score
1	10	0
2	10	10
3	10	2.5
4	10	7.5
5	10	9
6	10	7
7	10	10
8	10	9
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Total:	100	

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