

# First Term Test

## Horton's and Reiter's sections: SOLUTIONS!

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**Duration:** 50 minutes

**Aids allowed:** None

Make sure that your examination booklet has 6 pages (including this one). Write your answers in the spaces provided. Write legibly.

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**Question 1**

[6 marks in total]

Consider the following new ADT: A **FrequencyCounter** contains a set of zero or more items, plus an integer frequency for each item. The operations one can perform on a **FrequencyCounter** are:

- **clear**: Clear out the contents of this **FrequencyCounter**.
- **occurrence( item )**: Record the occurrence of the ‘item’ by adding one to that item’s frequency count. If the item hasn’t occurred before, add it to the set of items and set its count to one.
- **average()**: Return the average frequency among all the items in the set, or zero if the set is empty.
- **mostFrequent()**: Return the most frequently occurring item in the set, or null if the set is empty.

(a) [4 marks]

Write a Java interface for this ADT. Assume the items in a **FrequencyCounter** will be instances of class **Object**. Comments are not necessary.

```
public interface FrequencyCounter {

    public void clear();

    public void occurrence (Object item);

    public double average();

    public Object mostFrequent();

}
```

(b) [2 marks; no penalty for wrong answers]

Say that class **C** is in package **P** and has a **protected** member **m**. Suppose another class wants to use **m**. Which of the following kinds of class can? Circle the appropriate answer for each.

a class that is a subclass of **C** and is in package **P**☒ CAN

CANNOT

a class that is a subclass of **C** and is in a different package☒ CAN

CANNOT

a class that is not a subclass of **C** and is in package **P**☒ CAN

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a class that is not a subclass of **C** and is in a different package

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**Question 2**

[10 marks in total]

Assume that the following class has been defined for creating nodes in a linked data structure.

```
class Node {
    public int data;
    public Node next;
    public Node( int n ) {
        data = n;
        next = null;
    }
}
```

Now suppose we are writing a new class that has the following instance variables for keeping track of a linked list:

```
// The first and last Nodes in the linked list.  If the list has just one Node,
// both must refer to it.  If the list is empty, both must be set to null.
private Node first, last;
```

(a) [5 marks]

Write the body of the following method, which is to be part of the new class. Hint: Don't forget the case where the linked list is currently empty.

```
// Insert 'newNum' at the end of the linked list.
public void insertAtEnd( int newNum ) {

    Node temp = new Node( newNum );
    if ( first==null ) {      // and last==null too
        first = temp;
        last = temp;
    }
    else {
        last.next = temp;
        last = temp;
    }
}
```

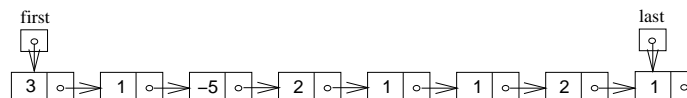
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(b) [3 marks]

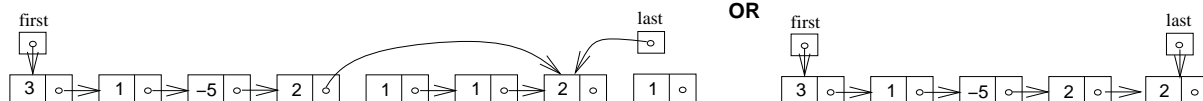
The following mysterious method is also to be part of the new class.

```
// Precondition: there is at least one element in the linked list.
public void doSomething( int n ) {
    boolean b = false;
    if (first.data == n) {
        b = true;
    }
    Node current = first.next;
    Node previous = first;
    while (current != null) {
        if (current.data == n && b) {
            previous.next = current.next;
            current = current.next;
        }
        else {
            if (current.data == n) {
                b = true;
            }
            previous = current;
            current = current.next;
        }
    }
    last = previous;
}
```

Assume that instance variables `first` and `last` have been set to refer to Nodes in the structure below. Trace what would happen if `doSomething()` were called with parameter value 1.



Show the final state of the data structure here:



(c) [2 marks]

Write a precise comment that describes what method `doSomething()` does.

If there is more than one node containing the value `n` in the list, `doSomething(n)` removes all but the first one.

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**Question 3**

[14 marks in total]

Consider following new interface:

```
import java.util.Enumeration;
public interface Shakable {

    // Insert the given 'items' into this Shakable.  Anything that may have been
    // in the Shakable before is lost.  If all of the items fit into the Shakable
    // return true; if not, stuff as many as possible and return false.
    public boolean stuff( Enumeration items );

    // Randomly reorder the items in the Shakable.
    public void shake();

    // Return an Enumeration of the items currently in the Shakable.
    public Enumeration unstuff();
}
```

Below is an outline for a class that implements `Shakable`. It will store the items to be shaken in a simple array of `Objects`. Declare any instance variables required and complete the constructor below. Then on the next page, complete method `stuff()`.

```
import java.util.Enumeration;
public class Shaker implements Shakable {

    // Instance variables:

    private Object[] list; // The Shaker.
    private int size;      // The number of elements in the Shaker.
                          // They occupy positions 0..size-1.

    // Construct a Shaker with room for 'capacity' items.
    public Shaker( int capacity ) {

        // Construct an array with the given 'capacity'.
        list = new Object[capacity];

        // The shaker is currently empty.
        size = 0;

    }

    // The Shaker class is continued on the next page ...
```

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```

// Insert the given 'items' into this Shakable.  Anything that may have been
// in the Shakable before is lost.  If all of the items fit into the Shakable
// return true; if not, stuff as many as possible and return false.
public boolean stuff( Enumeration items ) {

    int i = 0;  // Where to insert next into the array.

    // Take elements out of the Enumeration one at a time and put
    // each into the array.
    while ( items.hasMoreElements() ) {

        // If we've advanced past the end of the array and still
        // need to insert another element, fail!
        if ( i == list.length ) {
            size = list.length;  // Which also equals i.
            return false;
        }
        list[i] = items.nextElement();
        i++;
    }

    // The last item was put into position i-1.  In all, we inserted into
    // positions 0 through i-1 inclusive.  That's i items, so size is i.
    size = i;
    return true;

}

// Randomly reorder the items in the Shakable.
public void shake() {  // Details omitted.  }

// Return an Enumeration of the items currently in the Shakable.
public Enumeration unstuff() {  // Details omitted.  }
}

```

Notice that the variable `i` was unnecessary in method `stuff()`. Since `size` is set to `i` before returning (whichever return is taken), we could have just used `size` throughout instead of `i`. I chose to use variable `i` because I thought it made it easier to talk about why the final value of `size` is correct.

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