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Duration: $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours

There are two questions in this paper. You should answer BOTH questions. Each question carries 25 marks. The marks for each part of a question are indicated at the end of the part in [.] brackets.

There are 50 marks available on this paper.

No calculators should be used.

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Question 1 Procedural programming and simple objects

- (a) Some programming languages have an exponentiation operator \uparrow which evaluates a^b i.e. $2 \uparrow 3$ evaluates to 8 ($= 2^3$). Suppose that \uparrow is right associative.

The value of $2 \uparrow 3 \uparrow 2$ is

- i. 2^9
- ii. 6^2
- iii. 2^{3^2}
- iv. undefined - the expression is ambiguous
- v. none of the above

[5]

- (b) Consider the following algorithm:

POWER

Input: non-negative integers a , b

Output: a raised to the power b

1. set c to the value of a
2. if b is 1
3. return c
4. subtract 1 from b and save the result in b
5. multiply c by a and save the result in c
6. go to 2

Write a snapshot sequence for **POWER** in the case that immediately before instruction 1, a , b and c have the values $a = 3$, $b = 2$ and $c = 1$ (the first snapshot is 1. $a=3$ $b=2$ $c=1$).

[5]

- (c) Write a non-recursive procedural Java method that implements **POWER**. Do not use `Math.pow(double a, double b)`.

[5]

- (d) Now implement **POWER** with a *recursive* procedural Java method. Do not use `Math.pow(double a, double b)`.

[5]

- (e) Write a class `MyMaths` that has an implementation of **POWER** as an instance method. Do not use `Math.pow(double a, double b)`. Include test code in `main` to demonstrate how your instance method is called.

[5]

Question 2 Advanced objects

(a) A Java class `Book` is defined as follows:

```
public class Book{

    private String title;
    private String[] authorName;
    private boolean isForSale;

    public Book(String t, String[] name, boolean b){
        title = t;
        authorName = name;
        isForSale = b;
    }

    public String getTitle(){
        return title;
    }

    public void setTitle(String t){
        title = t;
    }

    public String[] getAuthor(){
        return authorName;
    }

    public void setAuthorName(String[] name){
        authorName = name;
    }
}
```

Which one of the following statements best describes `Book`?

- i. `Book` is correctly encapsulated.
- ii. `Book` is not correctly encapsulated because the variable `isForSale` does not have a getter or a setter method.
- iii. `Book` is not correctly encapsulated because `Book` does not implement the `Encapsulate` interface.
- iv. `Book` is not correctly encapsulated because it lacks a default constructor.
- v. None of the above.

[5]

(b) Consider this subclass of `Book`:

```
public class Novel extends Book {  
  
    private String summary;  
  
    public Novel(String t, String[] name, boolean b, String s) {  
        super(t, name, b);  
        summary = s;  
    }  
  
    public String getSummary() {  
        return summary;  
    }  
  
    public void setSummary(String s) {  
        summary = s;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        Book book = new Novel("Java in a peapod",  
                               new String[] { "A", "Student" }, true,  
                               "This book...");  
        System.out.println(book);  
    }  
}
```

When `Novel` is executed, this line (or something similar) is printed at the command line:

```
exam.Novel@35960f05
```

The programmer actually intended that the program printed a meaningful representation of the object referred to by `book`. Add code to either `Book` or `Author` so that the programmer's aim is accomplished. [5]

(c) Provide code to demonstrate how `Book` and its subclasses would implement the following interface:

```
public interface Printable {  
    public void print();  
}
```

[5]

(d) Explain how the JVM uses stacks and stack frames in order to organise its computations. [5]

(e) This program

```
public class Bad {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        Integer[] buff = new Integer[5000000];  
  
        int i = 0;  
        while (true) {  
  
            i++;  
            if (i == buff.length)  
                i = 0;  
  
            Integer obj = new Integer(i); // line 14  
            buff[i] = obj;  
            // do something useful with buff[i];  
        }  
    }  
}
```

terminated unexpectedly after several seconds and the following message was printed at the command line:

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.OutOfMemoryError: Java heap space  
at exam.Bad.main(Bad.java:14)
```

Explain what went wrong, and provide code to fix the problem. [5]