

Topics List for Exam 1

1. Material from CISC 3115

- Classes

- accessors and mutators (getter / setters)
- private / public
- Constructors and overloaded constructors
- Overloading / overriding
- How to override the equals() method
- How to override the toString() method
- How to implement the Comparable interface and compareTo()
- interfaces and how to create / implement them
- inheritances and polymorphism
- extends and implements
- Difference between declaring a reference and creating an object (operator new)

- Recursion

- How to write a simple recursive algorithm
- How to trace through a recursive algorithm

2. Java Collections Hierarchy

- What is it?
- to know that it contains both classes and interfaces
- to know that the broadest interface is called Collection
- to know what the List interface is and its methods
- to know what an ADT and an API are.

3. ArrayLists

- How to create an empty ArrayList in Java
- What the operations add(), size(), get(), set(), iterator(), listIterator(), remove(), contains(), etc. (all of the various List operations) do and to know how to use them to write a method/program segment.
- To write a method that will iterate through an ArrayList performing some operation. You must know all 3 ways we looked at!
- Our Own Implementation
 - How did we implement an ArrayList?
 - What is the running time of all of the ArrayList operations based on our implementation.

4. LinkedLists

- How to create an empty LinkedList in Java.
- same as above (how do all the List operations work)

- What addFirst(), getFirst(), removeFirst(), addLast(), getLast(), removeLast() do.
- How to write a method/program segment that uses all of the LinkedList methods.
- How to **efficiently(!)** iterate through a LinkedList performing some operation.
- Our Own Implementation
 - How do we implement a LinkedList?
 - Know how to write code to add/remove an element from the head/tail of a singly or doubly linked list.
 - Know how to write code to loop through a singly or doubly linked list printing out all of the nodes.
 - What is the running time of all of the List operations using a linked list implementation?

5. Analysis of Algorithms

- Know the definitions of:
 - Running time (time complexity)
 - Space complexity
 - algorithm
 - Correctness of an algorithm

- Know how to analyze the running time of a simple algorithm and be able to explain why that is the running time.
- Know how linear and binary search work and which is better in which situations.

6. Stacks

- Know how to use a Stack based on our implementation
- Know what the Stack operations do.
- Be able to solve a problem using a Stack.

7. Queues

- Know how we implemented our own queue.
- Know how we specified our own Queue interface.
- know what add(), poll(), peek(), isEmpty(), and size() do.

8. Deque

- How to use the Java Deque interface to write code that would use stacks or queues
- That the LinkedList class implements the Deque interface.

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