NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE SCHOOL OF COMPUTING

Practical Examination 1 (PE1) for AY2017/8 Semester 1 CS1010 Programming Methodology

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Time Allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- 1. Please leave your student card on your desk throughout the PE.
- 2. You are only allowed to read this cover page and the last page before the start of the PE. Do **not** flip the pages to read the questions inside until you are told to do so.
- 3. This paper consists of 2 tasks on 6 pages.
- 4. This is an open-book exam. You may bring in any printed material, but **not** electronic devices, including but not limited to laptop, thumb-drive, electronic dictionary and calculator. You are to switch off/silence your mobile phone and keep it out of view.
- 5. You may turn to the last page (page 6) to read some advice.
- 6. You will be logged into a special Windows account at the beginning of the PE. Do not log off until the end of the PE. Do not use your own NUSNET account.
- 7. A plab account slip will be issued to you at the beginning of the PE.
- 8. You are to write your program in the given **plab account**. The host name is **pe10** (not sunfire!). No activity should be done outside this plab account.
- 9. You are not allowed to type your programs in the first ten minutes of the PE.
- 10. You **do not** need to submit your programs to CodeCrunch. We will retrieve your programs and submit them to CodeCrunch after the PE.
- 11. Skeleton programs and some test data files are already residing in your plab account. Please leave your programs in the home directory, and use the <u>same program names</u> as specified in the paper. Do **not** create subdirectory to put your programs there, and do **not** name your programs differently from what are given, otherwise we will not be able to find them!
- 12. **Only your source codes (.c programs)** from your plab account will be collected after the PE. Hence, how you name your executable files is not important.
- 13. Please read carefully and follow all instructions in the question. If in doubt, please ask. Raise your hand and the invigilator will attend to you.
- 14. Any form of communication with other students or the use of unauthorised materials is considered cheating and you are liable to disciplinary action.
- 15. Please save your programs regularly during the PE.
- 16. When you are told to stop, please do so **immediately**, or you will be penalised.
- 17. At the end of the PE, please log out from your plab account.
- 18. Please check and take your belongings (especially your student card) before you leave.
- 19. We will make arrangement for you to retrieve your programs after we have finished grading. Grading may take a week or more.

ALL THE BEST!

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Advice – Please read!

- In the first 10 minutes of the PE, you are not allowed to type your programs. Use that time to read the task statements, ask questions and design your algorithms.
- Your program must be compilable! Or you will receive zero mark for correctness.
- You are <u>not</u> allowed to use recursion, arrays or string functions from string.h. Heavy penalty will be given (see below) if you use any of them. If in doubt, please ask.
- Any variable used must be declared within some function. You are <u>not</u> allowed to use global variables (variables that are declared outside all the functions). Heavy penalty will be given (see below) if you use any global variable.
- If you write a function, you must have a function prototype, and you should put the function definition after the main() function.
- You may write additional function(s) not mentioned in the task statement if you think it is necessary.
- You may assume that all inputs are valid, that is, you do not need to perform input validity check.
- Manage your time well! Do not spend excessive time on any task.
- Be careful in naming your executable code. Do <u>not</u> overwrite your source code with your executable code, especially if you are using the –o option in gcc!

Rough Marking Scheme

- 1. Style: 5 marks
 - Are your name, student number, plab-id, DG and description filled at the top of the program?
 - Is there a description written at the top of every function (apart from the main() function)?
 - Are there proper indentation and naming of variables?
 - Are variables unnecessarily initialized, or not initialized when they are supposed to be?
 - Are there appropriate comments wherever necessary?
- 2. Design: 5 marks
 - Is the program modular?
 - Are function prototypes present?
 - Are the functions correctly defined and called?
 - Is function cohesion abided by?
 - Is algorithm not unnecessarily complicated?
- 3. Correctness: 20 marks for Task 1, 60 marks for Task 2. **Zero mark if cannot be compiled**.
- 4. Deductions (not restricted to the following):
 - Program cannot be compiled Zero mark for correctness
 - Compiler issues warning with –Wall: Deduct 5 marks.
 - Use of recursion, array, built-in string functions from string.h: Deduct 10 marks
 - Use of global variables: Deduct 10 marks

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