

Note: In questions where you are asked about a static method, assume that the method is in a class called Qn where n is the question number, e.g., $Q1$ for Question 1.

Question 1. [10 points] Consider the following code:

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n * n; i++) { n2 times
    for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) { n times
        count++; O(1)
    }
}
```

State a big-O upper bound for this code, using n (the value of the variable n) as the problem size. Briefly explain your answer.

$$n^2 \cdot n \cdot C \text{ is } O(n^3)$$

Question 2. [10 points] Consider the following code:

```
int count = 0;
for (int i = 0; i < n * n; i++) {
    for (int j = 0; j <= i; j++) { 1, 2, 3, 4, ..., n2 times
        count++; O(1)
    }
}
```

dependent inner loop →

State a big-O upper bound for this code, using n (the value of the variable n) as the problem size. Briefly explain your answer.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n^2} i = \underbrace{1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n^2 - 1) + n^2}_{n^2/2 \text{ pairs of terms}}$$

$$= \frac{n^2}{2} (n^2 + 1) = \frac{n^4}{2} + \frac{n^2}{2} \text{ is } O(n^4)$$

Question 3. [10 points] Complete the definition of the `CaseInsensitiveCharacterComparator` class. Its behavior is shown by the following JUnit test code:

```
Character[] letters = { 'H', 'a', 'E', 'k', 'D' };
Arrays.sort(letters, new CaseInsensitiveCharacterComparator());

assertEquals((Character)'a', letters[0]);
assertEquals((Character)'D', letters[1]);
assertEquals((Character)'E', letters[2]);
assertEquals((Character)'H', letters[3]);
assertEquals((Character)'k', letters[4]);
```

Hint: You can use the `Character.toLowerCase` method to convert a character value to an equivalent lower case character value. E.g., `Character.toLowerCase('A')` would return `'a'`.

```
public class CaseInsensitiveCharacterComparator implements Comparator<Character> {
    public int compare(Character left, Character right) {
```

```
        char l = Character.toLowerCase(left);
        char r = Character.toLowerCase(right);
```

```
        if (l < r) {
            return -1;
        } else if (l == r) {
            return 0;
        } else {
            return 1;
        }
    }
```

```
}
```

Question 4. [5 points] Consider the following method:

```
public static int countEvens(LinkedList<Integer> list) {  
    int count = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < list.size(); i++) { -N times  
        if (list.get(i) % 2 == 0) { count++; }  
    }  
    return count; O(N) on average  
}
```

State a big-O upper bound for this method, where the problem size N is the number of elements in the list parameter. Briefly explain your bound.

$O(N^2)$ because loop executes N times and $\text{get}(int)$ is $O(N)$ on average for LinkedList (since time is proportional to i , which is about $N/2$ on average)

Question 5. [5 points] Consider the following method:

```
public static int countEvens(LinkedList<Integer> list) {  
    int count = 0;  
    for (Iterator<Integer> i = list.iterator(); i.hasNext(); ) { -N times  
        Integer value = i.next(); O(1)  
        if (value % 2 == 0) { count++; }  
    }  
    return count;  
}
```

State a big-O upper bound for this method, where the problem size N is the number of elements in the list parameter. Briefly explain your bound.

$O(N)$, because all ~~iterator~~ Iterator operations (including $\text{next}()$) are $O(1)$ for LinkedList

Question 6. [10 points] Consider the following static method:

```
public static<E extends Comparable<E>> List<E> mystery(List<E> src) {  
    Set<E> set = new TreeSet<E>();  
    for (E elt : src) { set.add(elt); }  
    List<E> result = new ArrayList<E>();  
    for (E elt : set) { result.add(elt); }  
    return result;  
}
```

N times (circled) $O(\log N)$

$O(N)$ *times* (circled) $O(1)$

(a) State a big-O upper bound on the running time of this method. Assume that the problem size N is the number of elements in the list parameter `src`. Briefly explain your answer.

$O(N \log N)$ because of the first loop, which ~~iterates~~ executes N times and incurs $O(\log N)$ for each element added to the ~~Tree Set~~. (The second loop is $O(N)$, so doesn't affect the big-O bound overall.)

(b) What output is printed by the following code?

```
List<Integer> myList = new ArrayList<Integer>();  
myList.add(9);  
myList.add(0);  
myList.add(1);  
myList.add(2);  
myList.add(5);  
  
List<Integer> result = Q6.mystery(myList);  
for (Integer x : result) { System.out.print(x + " "); }
```

0 1 2 5 9