CSSE 220 Day 30

Project presentations Course evaluations Final Exam preview Stacks and expression evaluation

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- If your mini-project final version is not committed to your repository, please do it now!
- The Digital Resource Center is looking for a student or two to do ANGEL support for faculty.
 - Training will be provided.
 - Work Study/Work Opportunity not required.
 - See Nancy Bauer in the DRC if you're interested

Today's Agenda

- Project Presentations
- Course Evaluations
- Discussion of Final Exam
- Stacks and expression evaluation

Project Presentations

- Order of team presentations will be randomly chosen.
- Person who presents for each team will be randomly chosen.
- At most 6 minutes, plus time for questions.
- Fill out a form for each team's presentation (except your own)
- No one but the presenters should use a computer during the presentations

My evaluation of student work in the course

- Most of you have worked very hard and learned a tremendous amount.
- You have moved from needing a lot of handholding toward being confident, competent, independent programmers
- I think if you can do the written and programming exercises that I have given you, you are ready to compete with students at this level from any college in the country.

I have enjoyed working with you.

Course Evaluations

- On Banner Web
- I am much more interested in your comments than in the multiple choice questions.
 - I am well past the point where these evaluations have much of an impact on my future at Rose-Hulman.
 - I am a tenured, full professor, and have been elected by the faculty to the committee that makes recommendations about tenure and promotion for other faculty members.
 - But the words you write may have an impact on students' experience when I teach this course again next Winter.
 - So I will appreciate you taking time to make detailed suggestions.

Final Exam Monday at 6 PM

- Two parts, like the previous exams
- My timing aims:
 - "Get it working" programming part:
 - Average (B) student can get 90% of the points in 2 hours.
 - C students can get 80% of the points in the 3 hours.
 - Other part:
 - Most students can complete it in 45 minutes
 - All students can get 95% of the points they can earn in less than an hour.

* By "B student" or "C Student", I mean studetns who will have that grade at the end of the term; not those who have it going into the exam.

A Comprehensive Exam

- Covers the entire term
- But since you have not been tested at all on the material since the last exam, it will count a disproportionate percent (approximately 30-40%) of the exam points.
- More than on the previous exams, there may be questions that ask you to think and apply course material to a new situations

Material that may be covered by the exam

- Weiss chapters 1-4 (except 4.7.5, 4.7.6)
- Sections 5.1, 5.2, 5.4–5.8 (you do not have to know the formal definition of big-oh and its cousins or do any proofs, but you should know the informal definitions)
- Chapter 6
- Sections 7.1, 7.3, 8.1–8.5 (not 8.4.1)
- GUIs and Events
- Implementation of Stack, Queue, ArrayList, and especially LinkedList
- Binary Files, Random access, Object I/O, Networking

What you can bring

- Same as on previous exams
 - First part
 - An 8.5 by 11 inch piece of paper on which you have written or printed anything you want (in a font that you can read with just your eyes or your normal glasses!).
 - A calculator
 - Any quantity of blank paper
 - Programming part
 - Books, notes, course web pages and ANGEL pages, SUN's Java pages, any other pages that you have bookmarked before the exam.
 - No Google (or similar) searches, IM, mail, chat, etc.
 - No use of headphones or earphones

Effect of the exam on your grade

- Counts a little more than either of the previous exams (16% vs 12% of the total grade)
- If your final exam percentage is significantly higher than your overall average for the course, I will "bump up" your average by a few points.
 - Especially if your average is just below a grade cutoff point.
 - Some people finally "get it all together" at the end of the course.

Exam Provisions in the Syllabus

- You **must** earn a C grade on at least one exam in order to earn a C in the course.
 - If you did not earn at least 57 points on the first exam and did not earn at least 62 points on the first exam, you must have a C on the Final in order to get a C for the course.

Exam Provisions in the Syllabus

- You must have a passing average on the exams to pass the course.
 - If you did not earn a total on 97 points on the two exams, you will need a high enough score on the Final to bring your average up to the passing level (50.5%). Four people are in this situation
 - If you are barely above the passing exam average mark, you need to make sure that you do not dip below it as a result of the Final exam. One person is in this situation.

Exam Provisions in the Syllabus

- You must demonstrate that you can individually write and debug simple Java programs at the level of this course in order to pass. The exams will be the usual way to do this.
 - If your total for the programming parts of the two exams is less than 60, you have not yet demonstrated this competence.
 - On the programming part of the Final, you will need to get 50% of the points, or 80% of the class average (whichever is lower) in order to pass the course.

Programming part: What kinds of questions might you see?

- Create or modify a simple GUI program
 - Could include buttons, text fields, labels, text areas, drawing, panels, layout (flow, border, grid), listeners (mouse, action, key)
- Data Structure use, implementation, type parameters, comparators and other function objects
- Non-text IO, random access files, reading and writing objects
- Searching and sorting
- Networking. Write a client program that communicates with a server, which using a simple protocol that I will give you.

First part

- Questions will mostly be similar in style to written Homework problems and ANGEL quizzes
- Some may actually *be* problems from written Homework and ANGEL quizzes
- Some questions may be like "why does Java ... ?" or "Why would you choose ...?"

Practice for the (possible) network programming question.

- In class Tuesday, we looked at the Server portion of the Bank example.
- Understand that, and try writing a BankClient class (using WebGet.java as a model)
- If you get stuck, you can look at the BankClient code that I provided.

The topic list that I sent before the second exam

- Possible topics for CSSE 220 Exam 2
- UML Class Diagrams

- Terminology from chapters 1-4
- Dynamic Binding and Polymorphism Java Generics via Type Parameters (Generic classes, interfaces, methods)
- Arrays class and Collections class providers of static methods for search, sort, max, min, etc.
- Measuring runtime efficiency
- Big-oh, big-omega, big-theta (and the method of using limits to show relationships)
- Inheritance to the max, as in BallWorlds
- Threads and animation (including Runnable, run, start, sleep)

Exam 2 topics continued

- Function Objects (including Comparator). Compare and contrast Comparator and Comparable interfaces.
- Algorithms and running time for sequential and Binary search, basic ideas of interpolation search.
- Abstract data types and Data Structures: specification, implementation, application.
- Implementation of low-level data structures, such as integers and arrays.
- Data Structures Grand Tour: Know the basic definitions of each of the structures, along with big-oh running time for their main operations.
- Collections framework, including the main interfaces (Collection, List, Set, Map)
- The difference between a Set and a Map, and the practical differences between the "hash" and "Tree" versions of those.
- Iterator and ListIterator interfaces
- Implementing a list as an array list
- Implementing a list as a linked list (with and without a header node)

Topics since exam 2

Sorting

- Know insertion, bubble, selection sorts at the level of being able to write the code
- Know how Shell Sort and Merge Sort work
- Know how to analyze all but Shell
- Binary files, random access files, serialization
- Concepts of network programming
- How a client and a server communicate via a socket in Java.

If you want extra practice problems

- Consider these
 - 6.14, 6.15, 6.17, 6.19, 6.20, 6.21, 6.22
 - 8.1abc, 8.4abc, 8.5abc, 8.6abc
 - 15.9
 - 16.1, 16.3, 16.6, 16.7, 16.9
 - 17.5, 17.6, 17.12, 17.17, 17.18
 - Written problems from the previous exams