# **ECE 1574 Spring 2014**

# Final Exam Study Guide

#### How to Solve It

- 1. What are the four steps of problem solving?
- 2. How are the four steps of problem solving related to programming?

## **Programming: Principles and Practice Using C++**

### Chapter 1

- 1. What is software?
- 2. What do most programmers refer to when they say that programming is interesting?
- 3. How are computers used in our day to day life?
- 4. What are the ideals for programmers?

### Chapter 2

- 5. Are computers "smart" or "dumb"?
- 6. What is the one function all C++ programs must have?
- 7. What are the steps that take C++ source code and create an executable?

### **Chapter 3**

- 8. What is an object?
- 9. What is an object's type?
- 10. What is a variable?
- 11. What is a variable definition?
- 12. What is a value?
- 13. How does "get from", >>, work?
- 14. What is an assignment?
- 15. What is an initialization?
- 16. How is assignment different from initialization?
- 17. What is a valid name in C++?

### **Chapter 4**

- 18. What is I/O?
- 19. What is abstraction?
- 20. What is "divide and conquer"?
- 21. How does abstraction and divide and conquer help programmers solve difficult problems?

- 22. What is an expression?
- 23. How does C++ compute mathematical expressions?
- 24. What does C++ do with mixed type expressions, e.g. 7 + 2.5?
- 25. How does C++ choose between alternatives?
- 26. How does C++ repeat statements?
- 27. What is a function in C++?
- 28. What is the syntax of a function definition?
- 29. Why do we write functions?
- 30. What is a function declaration?
- 31. What is a vector?
- 32. How do you put data into a vector?
- 33. How do you access data in a vector?

#### **Chapter 5**

- 34. What are four different types of errors?
- 35. What are two different types of compile-time errors?
- 36. Which errors are easiest to find?
- 37. What are different sources for errors?
- 38. What are different ways to deal with errors?
- 39. What is debugging?

### **Chapter 6**

40. This chapter is a combination of previous chapters and serves as a review.

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# **Chapter 8**

- 42. What is a declaration?
- 43. What is a definition?
- 44. What typically goes in a header file?
- 45. What is scope?
- 46. What are the different types of scope?
- 47. What is in a function declaration?
- 48. What is pass-by-value?
- 49. What is pass-by-reference?
- 50. What is a reference?

# **Chapter 9**

- 51. What is a class?
- 52. What is a struct?
- 53. How do classes and structs differ?
- 54. How are classes and structs the same?
- 55. What does a private access modifier do?

- 56. What does a public access modifier do?
- 57. Why should fields be private and methods public?
- 58. What is a constructor?
- 59. What is a default constructor?

#### Chapter 10

- 60. How do you open a file for reading or writing?
- 61. What happens if an input file doesn't exist when you open it?
- 62. What happens if an output file doesn't exist when you open it?
- 63. What happens to an output file when you open it?

### **Chapter 11**

- 64. How do you format the width of an output field?
- 65. How do you format the precision of decimal output?

### **Chapter 17**

- 66. What is a pointer?
- 67. How does a pointer differ from a reference?
- 68. How do you declare a pointer?
- 69. How can you allocate memory to a pointer?
- 70. How do you release or free a pointer?
- 71. What is NULL?
- 72. Where do pointers typically get their memory?
- 73. Where do automatic variables typically get their memory?
- 74. What is an array?
- 75. What is a destructor?

### Chapter 18

76. This chapter filled in a few tiny cracks that were needed for pointers.

#### **Scope Example:**

For the next questions use this small program to answer the questions. Assume all #include and using directives as needed:

- 1. On line 10, what is the value for x on the right side of the equals sign?
  - A) 10
  - B) 7
  - C) 0
  - D) 14
  - E) 28
- 2. On line 30, what is the value for x on the right side of the equals sign?
  - A) 10
  - B) 7
  - C) 0
  - D) 14
  - E) 28
- 3. On line 40, what is the value for x on the right side of the equals sign?
  - A) 10
  - B) 7
  - C) 0
  - D) 14
  - E) 28