

# COSC 111: Computer Programming I

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# A1 feedback

- Solution online
- Statistics:
  - Average: 17/20
  - Max: 20/20
- Common mistakes:
  - When to initialize attributes using constructor's input parameters and when to give default values
  - Variables vs. values
  - Understanding values passed into input parameters
  - Use methods that are provided for you (e.g. `setOrder()`)
  - Matching parameters between method calls and method definitions

# Midterm – Things to bring

- Required:
  - Student ID card
- Allowed:
  - 2 pencils
  - An eraser
  - 2 pens
  - 1 sheet of 8.5" x 11" paper
- Not allowed:
  - No calculators of any kind
  - No cell phone
  - No food or drinks

# Midterm instructions

- We will place the exam on a desk
  - Do not open the booklet
- Exam starts only when we indicate so
  - If anyone starts earlier, the case will be treated as cheating
- Exam ends when we indicate “time’s up”
  - If anyone stops later, the case will be treated as cheating
  - If you finish early, submit your exam before you pack up

# Midterm instructions (cont.)

- No looking around, whispering, using any notes/books aside from the cheatsheet, copying from others, listening to audio, using the cell phone for any purpose
  - If any such behaviour is found, the case will be treated as cheating
- If you have a question, raise your hand during exam

# Midterm Format

- Section 1: multiple choice [10 points]
- Section 2: short answers [15 points]
  - Given code, how many ...?
  - Given code, identify the line of code that ...
  - Given code, what is the output?
- Section 3: write Java code [22 points]
  - Given partial code, complete a method
  - Given partial code, write a method that does something specific

# Questions?

# Extra Practice

- Pseudo-random number generator implements a Math formula that generates a sequence of seemingly random numbers
- Example:  
$$x_i = (p1 * x_0 + p2) \% N$$

where

  - $p1, p2$  are constants
  - $N$  specifies the range of numbers to be returned in  $[0, N-1]$
  - $x_0$  is an initial number called “the seed”
  - $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- What kind of numbers are generated?



# Extra Practice (cont.)

- Example:

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- How to write a Java program for the following number generator?

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where

p1, p2 are constants

N specifies the range of numbers to be returned in [0,N-1]

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- Hint:
  - Set up the variables inside the constructor
  - Do the first calculation inside the constructor
  - Define computeAgain() so the test class can repeatedly call it to get additional values of  $x_i$