

# COMS W4115

## Programming Languages and Translators

### Homework Assignment 2

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Columbia University                at 11:59 PM

CVN students: FAX the solutions to CVN and email me when you have done so.

Write both your name and your Columbia ID (e.g., se2007) on your solutions.

Do this assignment alone. You may consult the instructor, but not other students.

1. Consider the following Prolog program.

```
takes(jane_doe, his201).  
takes(jane_doe, cs254).  
takes(ajit_chandra, art302).  
takes(ajit_chandra, cs254).  
classmates(X,Y) :- takes(X,Z), takes(Y,Z).
```

What does the query `classmates(jane_doe,X)` return? Give details of how the search procedure produces this result.

2. Consider the following C-like program.

```
int w = 3;  
int x = 10;  
  
int incw() { return ++w; }  
int incx() { return ++x; }  
  
void foo(y, z){  
    printf("%d\n", y + y);  
    x = 1;  
    printf("%d\n", z);  
}  
  
int main() {  
    foo(incw(), incx());  
    return 0;  
}
```

What does it print if the language uses

- (a) Applicative-order evaluation?
- (b) Normal-order evaluation?

3. In an assembly-language-like notation (e.g., use MIPS or a pseudocode of your own choosing), write what a good optimizing compiler would produce for the following two `switch` statements:

```

switch (a) {
case 1: x = 3; break;
case 2: x = 5; break;
case 3: x = 15; break;
case 4: x = 20; break;
case 5: x = 23; break;
default: x = 28; break;
}

switch (b) {
case 1: x = 3; break;
case 10: x = 5; break;
case 100: x = 15; break;
case 1000: x = 20; break;
default: x = 25; break;
}

```

4. For a 32-bit little-endian processor with the usual alignment rules, show the memory layout and size in bytes of the following C types.

```

union {
    struct {
        int a; /* 32-bit */
        char b; /* 8-bit */
    } s;
    int c;
} u1;

struct {
    char a;
    short b;
    int c;
    char d;
} s1;

struct {
    char a;
    char d;
    short b;
    int c;
} s2;

```