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AP REVIEW

2024 AP CS A EXAM

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# Free Response Topics

## **Algorithms / Logic**

– ifs, loops, methods

## **Make a Class**

– create a class

## **Array/ArrayList**

– get,set,remove,add,size - [],length

## **Matrices**

– nested loops - array of arrays concepts



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# Free Response Question 1

## Algorithms / Logic

# Algorithms / Logic

**Algorithm problems often use array and strings, but like this year, they sometimes just use simple loops and method calls.**

# Algorithms / Logic

```
for(int aplus=1; aplus<7; aplus+=2)
{
    out.println("comp");
    out.println( aplus );
}
```

## OUTPUT

```
comp
1
comp
3
comp
5
```

# Algorithms / Logic

```
int run=25;  
while(run >= 10)  
{  
    out.println(run);  
    out.println("loop");  
    run=run-5;  
}
```

## **OUTPUT**

```
25  
loop  
20  
loop  
15  
loop  
10  
loop
```

```
public void simulateOneDay(int numBirds)
{
    double r = Math.random()*100;
    if( r < 95.0 )
    {
        int f = (int)(Math.random()*41)+10;
        int eaten = f * numBirds;
        currentFood = currentFood - eaten;
        if( currentFood < 0)
            currentFood = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        currentFood = 0;
    }
}
```

**2024**  
**Question 1**  
**Part A**

```
public int simulateManyDays(int numBirds,  
                             int numDays)  
{  
    int cnt = 0, x = 0;  
    while( x < numDays && currentFood != 0 )  
    {  
        simulateOneDay(numBirds);  
        cnt++;  
        x++;  
    }  
    return cnt;  
}
```

**2024**  
**Question 1**  
**Part B.1**

```
public int simulateManyDays(int numBirds,  
                             int numDays)  
{  
    int cnt = 0;  
    for( int x = 0; x < numDays; x++)  
    {  
        if( currentFood == 0 )  
            break;  
        simulateOneDay(numBirds);  
        cnt++;  
    }  
    return cnt;  
}
```

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**Question 1**  
**Part B.2**



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# Free Response Question 2

**Make a class**

# Make a Class

```
public Triangle(int a, int b, int c)  
{  
    sideA=a;  
    sideB=b;  
    sideC=c;  
}
```

**Constructors are similar to methods.  
Constructors set the properties of an  
object to an initial state.**

# Make a Class

```
public void setSideA(int a )  
{  
    sideA=a;  
}
```

**Modifier methods are methods that change the properties of an object.**

# Make a Class

```
public int getSideA()  
{  
    return sideA;  
}
```

**Accessor methods are methods that retrieve or grant access to the properties of an object, but do not make any changes.**

# Make a Class

```
public class Triangle  
{  
    private int sideA;  
    private int sideB;  
    private int sideC;
```

**Instance variables store the state information for an object.**

```
public class Scoreboard
```

```
{
```

```
    private String team1;  
    private String team2;  
    private int score1;  
    private int score2;  
    private boolean active1;  
    private boolean active2;
```

```
    public Scoreboard( String t1, String t2 )
```

```
{
```

```
    team1 = t1;  
    team2 = t2;  
    score1 = score2 = 0;  
    active1 = true;  
    active2 = false;
```

```
}
```

# Make a Class

## 2024 Question 2

# Make a Class

```
public String getScore()  
{  
    return "" + score1 + " - " + score2 +  
           " " + (active1 ? team1 : team2);  
}
```

**2024**  
**Question 2**



```
public void recordPlay( int x )
{
    if( x > 0 )
    {
        if( active1 )
            score1 += x;
        if( active2 )
            score2 += x;
    }
    else
    {
        active1 = !active1;
        active2 = !active2;
    }
}
```

# Make a Class

## 2024 Question 2

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# Free Response Question 3

## ArrayList

# ArrayList

**A typical ArrayList question involves putting something into an ArrayList and removing something from an ArrayList.**

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# ArrayList

**ArrayList is a class that houses an array.**

**An ArrayList can store any type.**

**All ArrayLists store the first reference at spot / index position 0.**

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# ArrayList

## frequently used methods

Name	Use
<code>add(item)</code>	adds item to the end of the list
<code>add(spot,item)</code>	adds item at spot – shifts items up->
<code>set(spot,item)</code>	put item at spot <code>z[spot]=item</code>
<code>get(spot)</code>	returns the item at spot <code>return z[spot]</code>
<code>size()</code>	returns the # of items in the list
<code>remove()</code>	removes an item from the list
<code>clear()</code>	removes all items from the list

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
```

# ArrayList

```
List<String> ray;  
ray = new ArrayList<String>();  
ray.add("hello");  
ray.add("whoot");  
ray.add("contests");  
out.println(ray.get(0).charAt(0));  
out.println(ray.get(2).charAt(0));
```

**OUTPUT**

**h**

**c**

**ray stores String references.**

# ArrayList

```
int spot=list.size()-1;  
while(spot>=0)  
{  
  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
  
    spot--;  
  
}
```



# ArrayList

```
for(int spot=list.size()-1; i >= 0; i--)  
{  
  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
  
}
```

# ArrayList

```
int spot=0;  
while(spot<list.size())  
{  
  
    if(list.get(spot).equals("killIt"))  
        list.remove(spot);  
else  
    spot++;  
  
}
```

```
public boolean isWordChain()  
{  
    for( int i = 0; i < wordList.size()-1; i++)  
    {  
        if( !(wordList.get(i+1).contains(  
                wordList.get(i))))  
            return false;  
    }  
    return true;  
}
```

**2024**  
**Question 3**  
**Part A**

```
public ArrayList<String> createList(String target)
{
    ArrayList<String> aplus;
    aplus = new ArrayList<>();
    for( String s : wordList )
    {
        if(s.startsWith(target))
            aplus.add(s.substring(target.length()));
    }
    return aplus;
}
```

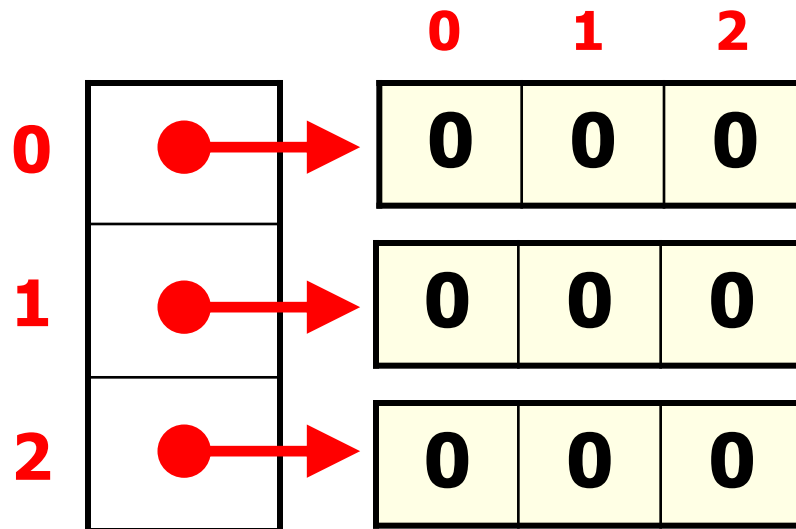
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**Question 3**  
**Part B**

# Free Response Question 4

## Matrices

# Matrices

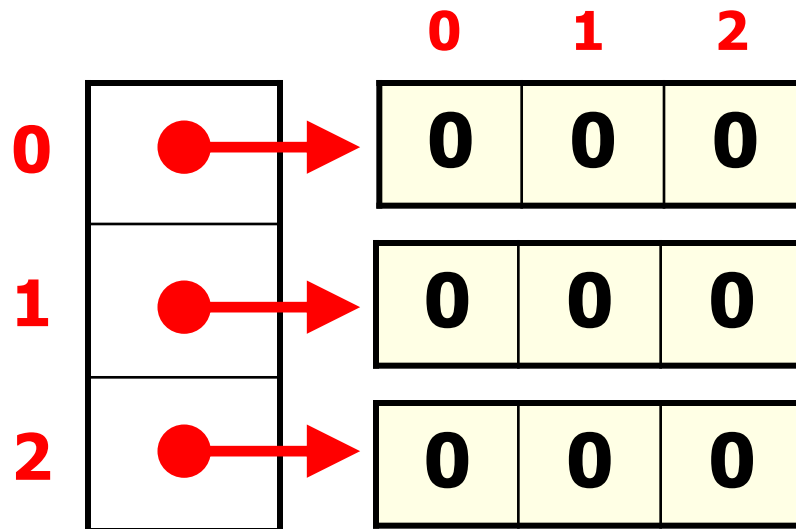
**Typically, 1 question on the A test free response will require that students manipulate a 2-dimensional array.**



# Matrices

**A matrix is an array of arrays.**

```
int[][] mat = new int[3][3];
```



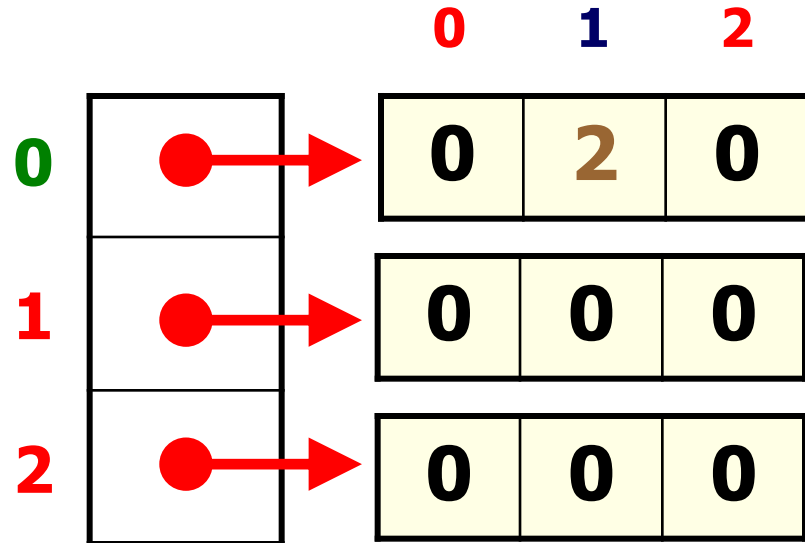
# Matrices

A matrix is an array of arrays.

```
int[][] mat = new int[3][3];  
mat[0][1]=2;
```

Which  
array?

Which  
spot?





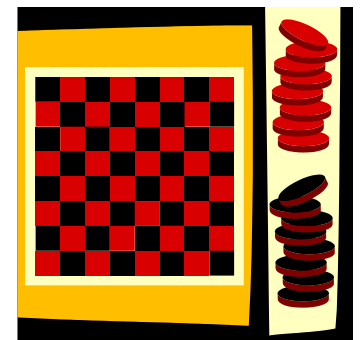
# Matrices

	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	0	0	5	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	7	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	3	0	0	0

`mat[2][2]=7;`

`mat[0][3]=5;`

`mat[4][1]=3`



# Matrices

```
for( int r = 0; r < mat.length; r++)  
{  
  for( int c = 0; c < mat[r].length; c++)  
  {  
    mat[r][c] = r*c;  
  }  
}
```

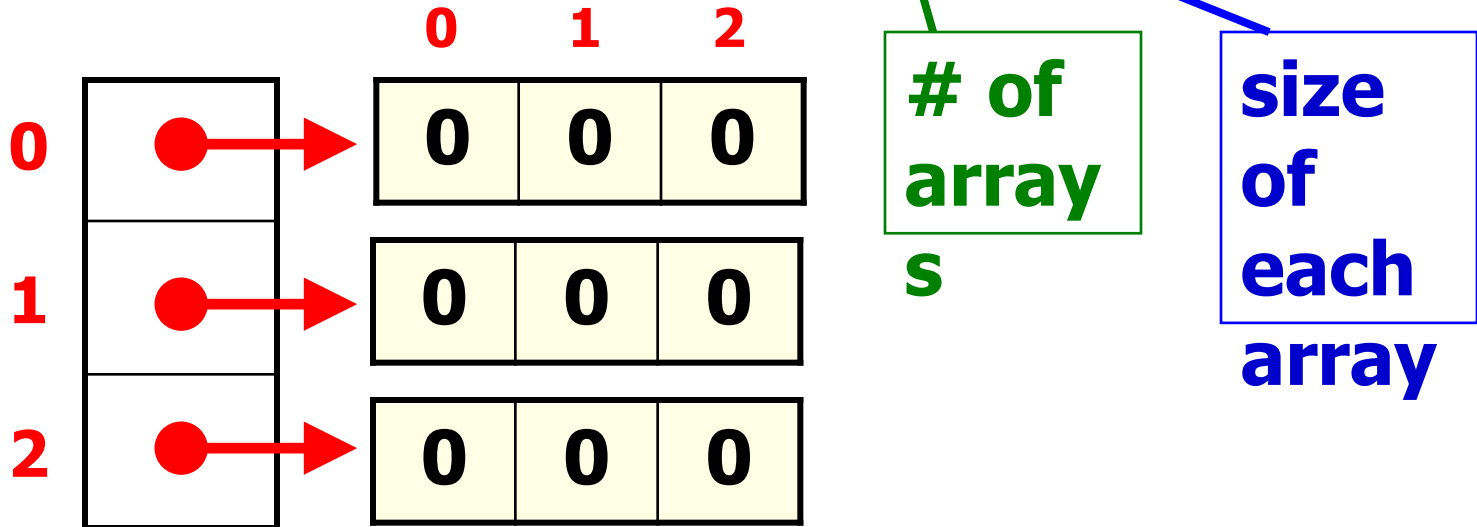
**if mat was 3x3**

0	0	0
0	1	2
0	2	4

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# Matrices – for each

```
int[][] mat = {{5,7},{5,3,4,6},{0,8,9}};
```

```
for( int[] row : mat )  
{  
    for( int num : row )  
    {  
        System.out.print( num + " ");  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

## OUTPUT

5 7

5 3 4 6

0 8 9

# Matrices – for loop

```
int[][] mat = {{5,7},{5,3,4,6},{0,8,9}};
```

```
for( int r = 0; r < mat.length; r++ )  
{  
    for( int c = 0; c < mat[r].length; c++ )  
    {  
        System.out.print( mat[r][c] + " ");  
    }  
    System.out.println();  
}
```

**OUTPUT**

**5 7**

**5 3 4 6**

**0 8 9**

```
public Location getNextLoc(int row, int col){
    Location bel = null, rt = null;
    int bv = 0, rv = 0;
    if( row+1 < grid.length){
        bel = new Location(row+1,col);
        bv = grid[row+1][col];
    }
    if( col+1 < grid[row].length){
        rt = new Location(row,col+1);
        rv = grid[row][col+1];
    }
    if( bel == null )
        return rt;
    if( rt == null )
        return bel;
    if( bv < rv )
        return bel;
    return rt;
}
```

**2024**  
**Question 4**  
**part A**

```
public int sumPath(int row, int col)
{
    int sum = 0;
    int rt = grid[row].length-1;
    int bot = grid.length-1;
    sum += grid[row][col];
    while(!(row == bot && col == rt))
    {
        Location nxt = getNextLoc(row,col);
        row = nxt.getRow();
        col = nxt.getCol();
        sum += grid[row][col];
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**Question 4**  
**part B .1**

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            sumPath(nxt.getRow(), nxt.getCol());
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    return grid[row][col];
}
```

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**part B .2**



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