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This exam is closed book, closed notes. You have **50 minutes** to complete it. It contains 43 questions and 8 pages (including this one), totaling 102 points.

Before you start, please check your copy to make sure it is complete. When you are finished, turn in all pages, together. **Write your initials on the top of ALL pages you turn in** (in case a page gets separated during test-taking or grading).

When you are asked for multiple answers, give answers that are as different as possible. Always give the most important answers.

Unless otherwise directed, answer in **one phrase** (when one answer line is given) or **one sentence** (when two or three answer lines are given).

If your answer to a T/F or multiple-choice answer is contingent on missing information, *briefly* note that. This should be very rare.

**Please write neatly**; we cannot give credit for what we cannot read.

Good luck!

## 1 True/False

Circle the correct answer. T is true, F is false. (1 point each, 15 points total)

1. **T / F** It can be a good practice to write tests for a different specification than that advertised to clients.
2. **T / F** Trade secrets expire after 20 years.
3. **T / F** A build system ensures that tests are run upon every push.
4. **T / F** Feature creep is when you start a project with too many features for you to feasibly implement.

For each of the following, is it a question on the Joel Test?

5. **T / F** Do you have testers?
6. **T / F** Do you write tests before you write code?
7. **T / F** Do you have an up-to-date schedule?
8. **T / F** Do you have a spec?
9. **T / F** Do you write unit tests?
10. **T / F** Do you do a build on every commit to your main branch?
11. **T / F** Can you make a build in one step?
12. **T / F** Do you fix bugs before writing new code?
13. **T / F** Do you have coding standards?
14. **T / F** Does all code go through code review?
15. **T / F** Do you use source control?

Circle the correct answer. **T** is true, **F** is false. (1.5 points each, 12 points total)

Consider the following class, subclass, and type hierarchies. In the type hierarchies, **H** is a subtype of **G**, **I** is a subtype of **H**, etc.

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class C {                                G          K
  H foo(L arg) { ... }                  |          |
}                                         H          L
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class D extends C { ... }              I          M
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Which of the following declarations of `foo` in class `D` satisfy behavioral subtyping?

16. **T / F** `G foo(L arg)`
17. **T / F** `I foo(L arg)`
18. **T / F** `H foo(K arg)`
19. **T / F** `H foo(M arg)`
20. **T / F** `I foo(M arg)`
21. **T / F** `I foo(K arg)`
22. **T / F** `G foo(M arg)`
23. **T / F** `G foo(K arg)`

## 2 Multiple choice

Choose the best answer. (3 points each, 12 points total)

24. What is the relationship between `git fetch` and `git pull`?
- (a) they do the same thing
  - (b) `git fetch` does more
  - (c) `git pull` does more
  - (d) neither is a subset of the other
25. What's a commonly-used tool to detect array bound errors in C code?
- (a) VS Code
  - (b) `valgrind`
  - (c) `gcc`
  - (d) `gdb`
  - (e) `clang`
  - (f) `reiserfs`
  - (g) `lint`
  - (h) `heimdallr`
26. What is the relationship between regression tests and unit tests?
- (a) they are different terms for the same concept
  - (b) every unit test is a regression test
  - (c) every regression test is a unit test
  - (d) neither concept subsumes the other
27. What should be the relationship of the specification of method `Superclass.foo()` and the specification of `Subclass.foo()`, where `Subclass` is a subclass of `Superclass`?
- The specification of `Subclass.foo()` \_\_\_\_\_ the specification of `Superclass.foo()`.
- (a) is the same as
  - (b) is stronger than
  - (c) is stronger than or the same as
  - (d) is weaker than
  - (e) is weaker than or the same as
  - (f) none of the above is necessary

### 3 Choose all that apply

Mark all the correct answers, by circling the appropriate letters. (1 point per subitem, 15 points total)

28. Which of the following is a good requirement?
- (a) The product will never crash.
  - (b) The product will crash in  $<0.01\%$  of sessions.
  - (c) The product will be secure against hacks.
  - (d) Product crashes will not impact security.
29. Which of the following is a best practice for writing project requirements?
- (a) Assign priorities.
  - (b) Describe goals at a high level.
  - (c) Leave UX/eng as unconstrained as possible.
  - (d) Avoid rigid templates/formats.
30. Suppose you have two different programs P and Q written to the same specification, and the developers (who are competent) have created a white-box and a black-box test suite for each. Mark all of the following that are true.
- (a) The white-box test suite for P passes on Q.
  - (b) The black-box test suite for P passes on Q.
  - (c) The two black-box test suites are similar or identical.
  - (d) The two white-box test suites are similar or identical.
31. Which of the following is a potential *downside* to a God class?
- (a) It modularizes functionality
  - (b) It is difficult to test
  - (c) It leads to tight coupling

#### 4 Very short answer

Answer in one word or phrase. (4 points each, 28 points total)

32. In a successful project, which stage of the software development lifecycle contains the majority of work?

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33. Please mark the following features as P0, P1, or P2 for a team making a to-do list app.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ Can add items to list

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ Can prioritize different tasks

(c) \_\_\_\_\_ Can send task notifications

(d) \_\_\_\_\_ Can share lists

(e) \_\_\_\_\_ Can mark items as complete

34. State a fact about connectors in a layered architecture that is not true about connectors in a pipe-and-filter architecture.

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35. What two things does InterConnect connect to each other? (This is a question about the user view of the project, not its architecture or implementation.)

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36. What is the biggest limitation of the beta product for FitQuest?

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37. What is the only technique that is taught in the beta product for Journey of the Voice?

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38. What is the most important disadvantage of a client-server architecture?

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## 5 Short answer

(4 points each, 12 points total)

39. What is representation exposure?

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40. What are two ways that representation exposure can occur?

(a) \_\_\_\_\_

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(b) \_\_\_\_\_

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41. Define "technical debt".

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**(4 points each, 8 points total)**

42. Team A has decided to use the waterfall model as its SDLC and Team B has decided to use prototyping. Suppose that each team has chosen well. State the main difference between the *requirements* of Project A and Project B.

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43. Describe the difference between a “north star” metric and a “balance” metric.

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