Topics to Study for Exam 2

We encourage you to study all of the following topics for Exam 2. Feel free to ask questions if a topic is unclear. We have included the approximate importance of each category below.

Miscellaneous Material (15%)

High-level understanding of how data types are storage (e.g., require diff. amounts of storage) Difference between pass by reference (&) and pass by value The three different ways one might use const Character strings Using the String class Using the Vector class Recursion

1D Arrays (20%)

Understand the purpose and definition of arrays How does one declare and/or initialize an array Array indices start with 0 How arrays are stored in memory Arrays are passed by 'reference' (unless const added) Sequential search on unordered list Selection sort on unordered list Define base address, offset

Multi-dimensional Arrays (15%)

Understand the purpose and definition of multi-dimensional arrays How does one declare and/or initialize a multi-dimensional array Arrays must have bounds for all dimensions except the first How to pass an array into a function How to pass a row of a 2D array into a function

Classes (50%)

Definitions to know: OOP, class, object, composition, member functions, constructors, scope resolution operator (::), dot operator (.), unit testing, abstraction
To define a 'thing', need to define its properties and rules/behavior
How to instantiate an object
How to use dot operator to access object's properties/functions (inc. when an array of objects)
Class consists of a prototype (placed in .h) and an implementation (placed in .cpp)
Default and parameterized constructors (definition and implementation)
Difference between public and private (and purpose of private)
Purpose of accessor and mutator functions (getters and setters)
Syntax for defining a new class
Use of static const and this
Class composition and chaining
Private helper functions
Passing objects to functions