Review for Exam 1

1. Algorithms

Algorithms are step by step instructions to solve a problem. They are expressed using the following key programming fundamentals:

a. **Sequencing:** All instructions are carried out in the sequence they are written.

do this then do this and then do this etc.

b. **Selection:** Allows one to choose between a set of instructions depending on a statement.

if something then
do this
otherwise
do that

- c. **Repetition:** Allows one to repeat a set of statements. There are two kinds:
 - 1) repeat N times 2) while something repeat the following do this
- d. Abstraction: Allows us to express computations abstractly:

Let
$$n \leftarrow \sqrt{a}$$

Above, we abstract the algorithm to compute \sqrt{a} into a single operation.

e. Variables: Hold values that we compute on.

Let
$$n \leftarrow \frac{3}{4}n + c$$

2. Java Program Structure: Every Java program has the following structure:

```
public class Name {
          public static void main(String[] args) {
                statements
          } // main()
} // class Name
```

- 3. **Statements:** These are Java commands that implement variable assignment, sequencing, selection, repetition, library functions, etc.
 - 1. Variable declaration:

```
type variable-name;
```

e.g.

2. Assignment Statement: Sets the value of a variable to that of an expression.

```
n = 3.0/4.0 * n + c;
```

3. Data Types: In Java there are:

```
int - positive or negative integer values (e.g, -89, 0, 897, etc.)
double - there are floating point/real numbers (e.g. -2.34, 3.1415, etc).
boolean - true, false
String - "Hello there", "The number is:", etc.
char - individual letters (e.g. 'A', '5', etc.)
```

4. Operations: Each data type provides some operations:

```
int: + (addition), - (subtraction, negation), * (multiply), / (divide), % (remainder)
double: + (addition), - (subtraction, negation), * (multiply), / (divide)
String: + (concatenation)
boolean: && (and, conjunction), | | (or, disjunction), ! (not, logical negation)
```

5. Comparison Operations: Allow us to compare int or double values.

```
< (less than), <= (less than or equal to), > (greater than), >= (greater than or equal to)
== (equal to), != (not equal to)
```

6. Command-Line Input Arguments: These enable inputs from the command line.

```
e.g.
$ java-introcs IsPrime 31
```

- println(...)

-printf("...", ...)

Above, 31 becomes the value of args [0].

7. Output: These commands, from the **System.out** (or **StdOut**) library provide a meand to print out the results of our computations.

```
E.g.
System.out.println("Hello, world!");
-print(...)
```

8. Data Type Conversions: To convert from one type to another. This can be:

Implicit: int to double, or int, double, boolean to String
Explicit:

```
e.g.
int n = (int) (Math.random() * 10) + );
```

9. Selection/Conditionals: Allow us to select one set of statements (pr another).

10. **Repetition:** Allows us to repeat a set of statements.

```
while ( condition ) { {
      do this
}

for ( initialization ; condition ; update )
      do this
}
```

4. Java Libraries: These are collections of useful functions that we can use>

```
System.out
Std.Out
Std.In
Integer
Double
Math
etc.
```

Each library provides several useful futncions. See your text or notes for examples of things we have used.

5. **Java Compilation:** To compile a Java program, we use the command:

```
$ javac-introcs ProgramName.java
```

To run the program we use:

```
$ java-introcs ProgramName ...
```

6. Linux Commands: See Chapters 1-4 from Schott for an overview.