

# HAL/S PROGRAMMING FUNDAMENTALS

## QUIZ 11

1. True or False. HAL/S NAME variables act like pointer variables in other programming languages. They are declared just like normal variables except that the keyword NAME must precede all attributes of the variable. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_
2. True or False. A NAME variable can only “point at” variables with exactly the same attributes, except that NAME INTEGER variables can point at SCALARs and NAME SCALAR variables can point at INTEGERS since HAL/S supports implicit type conversions between INTEGER and SCALAR. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_
3. True or False. A NAME variable occupies 1 halfword of memory and can address data residing in AP-101 sectors 0 plus one other sector (usually sector 1). If you wish to point at data residing in arbitrary sectors then you need to create a NAME REMOTE variable. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_
4. True or False. A NAME REMOTE variable occupies 2 halfwords of memory and it is created by appending the keyword REMOTE to a normal NAME declaration, e.g.,  
DECLARE VPTR NAME VECTOR DOUBLE REMOTE; Ans. \_\_\_\_\_
5. True or False. Either of the following two forms will initialize a NAME variable to a null (zero) value: Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
DECLARE SPTR NAME SCALAR INITIAL(NULL);  
DECLARE SPTR NAME SCALAR INITIAL(NAME(NULL));
6. True or False. Either of the following two forms will assign a NAME variable to point to a null (zero) value: Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME(SPTR) = NULL;  
NAME(SPTR) = NAME(NULL);
7. True or False. There are no illegal 16-bit addresses on the AP-101 so a NAME variable initialized to NULL (zero) is still a valid pointer (although probably not what you want). Ans. \_\_\_\_\_
8. True or False. The following code is valid: Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
DECLARE T, N1 NAME, N2 NAME INITIAL(NAME(T));  
T = 2;  
NAME(N1) = NAME(N2);

9. Which of the following are “dereferenced” usages of a NAME variable?

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DECLARE MATRIX, MAT INITIAL(3#(1,1,0)), VMAT NAME  
INITIAL(NAME(MAT));
```

- a) NAME(VMAT) = NAME(MAT);
- b) VMAT\$(1,1) = 2;
- c) CALL PROC1(NAME(VMAT));
- d) CALL PROC2(VMAT);
- e) VMAT = MAT;

10. True or False. A COMPOOL is normally allocated in sector 0 or 1 via Linkage Editor Concards. If it is nonetheless allocated in some other sector, then the COMPOOL must be included with the REMOTE attribute.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
D INCLUDE TEMPLATE CPOOL REMOTE
```

11. True or False. If a COMPOOL has been defined to be REMOTE, then only NAME REMOTE name variables can be used to “point to” its data.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

12. True or False. Data declared within a PROGRAM or separately compiled PROCEDURE or FUNCTION is allocated within a CSECT whose name begins with the characters “#D”.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

13. True or False. PROGRAM/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION data is normally allocated in sector 0 or 1, Variables contained within this data area can be accessed with standard 16-bit NAME variables.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

14.. True or False. If either of the two following compiler directives is used, then the PROGRAM/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION data “may” be placed in some sector other than 0 or 1.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
D DATA_REMOTE  
DATA_REMOTE
```

15. True or False. If #D data is allocated remotely then only NAME REMOTE type name variables can be used internally to the PROGRAM/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION to point to such data.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

16. True or False. The following is a correct example of a non-dereferenced use of a NAME variable: Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
PROG: PROGRAM;  
  DECLARE MATRIX, MAT, NMAT NAME;  
  MAT = MATRIX(1,2,3,4.5.6.7.8.9);  
  NAME(NMAT) = NAME(MAT);  
  ...  
  CALL PROC1(NAME(NMAT));  
  ...  
PROC1: PROCEDURE(PMAT);  
  DECLARE PMAT NAME MATRIX;  
  ...  
CLOSE PROC1;
```

17. True or False. The following is a correct example of a non-dereferenced use of a NAME REMOTE variable: Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DATA_REMOTE  
PROG: PROGRAM;  
  DECLARE MATRIX, MAT, NMAT NAME REMOTE;  
  MAT = MATRIX(1,2,3,4.5.6.7.8.9);  
  NAME(NMAT) = NAME(MAT);  
  CALL PROC1(NAME(NMAT));  
PROC1: PROCEDURE(PMAT);  
  DECLARE PMAT NAME MATRIX;  
CLOSE PROC1;
```

18. True or False. In the following example a dereferenced name variable is passed to PROC1. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DATA_REMOTE  
PROG: PROGRAM;  
  DECLARE MATRIX, MAT, NMAT NAME REMOTE;  
  MAT = MATRIX(1,2,3,4.5.6.7.8.9);  
  NAME(NMAT) = NAME(MAT);  
  CALL PROC1(NMAT);  
PROC1: PROCEDURE(PMAT);  
  DECLARE PMAT MATRIX;  
CLOSE PROC1;
```

19 True or False. The following INCLUDE directive is legal and it causes only 3 symbols to be included from the COMPOOL CPOOL1 rather than all symbols.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
D INCLUDE SDF CPOOL1 REMOTE: STRUCTURE Q, Q1, Q2;
```

20. True or False. NAME variables cannot be assigned REMOTE data and NAME REMOTE variables cannot be assigned to non-REMOTE data:

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DECLARE DPTR1 NAME MATRIX INITIAL(NULL);  
DECLARE RPTR1 NAME MATRIX REMOTE INITIAL(NULL);  
NAME(DPTR1) = NAME(RPTR1); <illegal?>  
NAME(RPTR1) = NAME(DPTR1); <illegal?>
```

21. True or False. Although NAME variables can normally only point at data with IDENTICAL attributes, two %MACROs exist that allow this protection to be bypassed. These %MACROs are %NAMECOPY and %NAMEADD.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

22. True or False. %NAMEADD is a safer (simpler and less risky) %macro than is %NAMECOPY.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

23. True or False. The syntax of %NAMECOPY is %NAMECOPY(SPTR1,SPTR2). Both SPTR1 and SPTR2 must be NAME variables of STRUCTURE type, but may have been defined with different structure templates.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

24. True or False. In a %NAMECOPY either both operands must be non-remote, or both must be REMOTE. REMOTE and non-remote cannot be mixed.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

25. True or False. In a %NAMECOPY the second argument can either be a NAME structure variable or just a structure variable. The first argument must always be a NAME structure, however.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

26. True or False. The major usage of %NAMECOPY is to allow the “reuse” of a data or buffer area by being able to describe it with different layouts.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

27. True or False. Unless a %NAMECOPY is used correctly, it is possible to access data “beyond” the actual bounds of the buffer area, i.e., there are no compile-time or run-time checks to ensure data integrity.

Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

28. True or False. At run-time, both of the following NAME variables (NVARR and NS) will contain identical AP-101 addresses. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DECLARE VARR ARRAY(10) SCALAR INITIAL(10#1);  
DECLARE NVARR NAME ARRAY(10) SCALAR;  
DECLARE NS NAME SCALAR;  
NAME(NVARR) = NAME(VARR);  
NAME(NS) = NAME(VARR$1);
```

29. True or False. In the following case, NQ will contain the address of a “fictitious” zeroth-copy (0<sup>th</sup>) of the multicopy structure Q. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
STRUCTURE Q:  
  1 A, 2 S1, 2 S2, 1 B, 2 IVAL INTEGER;  
DECLARE Q Q-STRUCTURE(10);  
DECLARE NQ NAME Q-STRUCTURE(10);  
NAME(NQ) = NAME(Q);
```

30. True or False. HAL/S makes use of a fictitious 0<sup>th</sup>-element for all aggregate data variables, i.e., arrays, multicopy structures, vectors and matrices. Since HAL/S subscripting always starts from 1 this makes it unnecessary for the generated code to always have to subtract 1 before applying a subscript. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

31. True or False. Whether the address of an aggregate data item is contained in a NAME (or NAME REMOTE), or is being passed by “reference” to a PROCEDURE or FUNCTION, the 0<sup>th</sup>-element address value is always employed. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

32. True or False. If both arguments of a %NAMECOPY refer to multi-copy structures, the compiler will generate appropriate code to ensure that the address of the target NAME structure is correctly biased so that the 1<sup>st</sup> copy begins right at the beginning of the data area. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
STRUCTURE Q1:  
  1 BUFF1 ARRAY(4) SCALAR DOUBLE,  
  2 BUFF2 MATRIX;  
DECLARE Q1 Q1-STRUCTURE(10);  
DECLARE NQ1 NAME Q1-STRUCTURE(10) INITIAL(NAME(Q1));  
STRUCTURE Q2:  
  1 BUFFX ARRAY(17) SCALAR DOUBLE;  
DECLARE NQ2 NAME Q2-STRUCTURE(5);  
%NAMECOPY(NQ2,Q1);  
%NAMECOPY(NQ2,NQ1);
```

33. True or False. %NAMEADD is a 3-argument %macro that should be used with great caution since the compiler DOES NOT automatically adjust addresses to reflect 0<sup>th</sup>-element addressing. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

34. True or False. Unlike %NAMECOPY, %NAMEADD permits mixing REMOTE and non-REMOTE variables. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

35. True or False. The form %NAMEADD(NV,V,2); is equivalent to the following (and quite illegal) HAL/S statement. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME(NV) = NAME(V) + 2;

36. True or False. The expression NAME(VAR) always produces the address of a fictitious 0<sup>th</sup>-element in the event that VAR has components, e.g., is a multicopy structure, array, vector, or matrix. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

37. True or False. In a %NAMEADD it is the programmer's responsibility to ensure that the increment (or decrement) added to a NAME variable is correctly calculated so that the address stuffed into the receiving NAME variable correctly points to its 0<sup>th</sup>-element in case it also is an aggregate data item. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

38. True or False. The following %NAMEADD will correctly reuse the buffer SBUF. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

```
DECLARE SBUF ARRAY(100) SCALAR DOUBLE;  
DECLARE PBUF NAME ARRAY(400) INTEGER;  
%NAMEADD(PBUF,SBUF,3);
```

39. True or False. A negative literal integer may be used in a %NAMEADD as long as the resultant address doesn't cross an AP-101 sector boundary. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_  
%NAMEADD(NV1,NV2,-32);

40. True or False. It may be a problem for the Linkage Editor if a HAL/S aggregate variable lies in one sector, but its 0<sup>th</sup>-element lies near the end of the preceding sector. Ans. \_\_\_\_\_