

# CISC 101

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Question Paper

Note for 2010 Students:  
Anything with a gray  
background covers a topic  
that is not applicable to the  
Fall 2010 Final exam.

This exam refers exclusively to the use of the Python language version 3. Comments are not required in the code you write. For full marks, code must be efficient as well as correct.

Please write your answers in the boxes provided. The back of any page can be used for rough work. This exam is 3 hours in length. Please put your student number at the top of each page. Extra space is provided on the second-to-last page of the exam.

An aid sheet has been appended to the exam. You may detach this page from the exam and do not have to return it when you hand in your exam, but the proctors can recycle the page for you.

This is a closed book exam. No computers or calculators are allowed or even needed.

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**Problem 1) [15 marks]**

The following program runs without any errors. Write the output beside each print() statement:

```
def main():
```

```
    print(7 / 2)
```

```
    print(7 // 2)
```

```
    print(7.0 // 2.0)
```

```
    print(15 % 6)
```

```
    print(4 + 8 // 2)
```

```
    print((4 + 8) // 2)
```

```
    print(5 ** 2)
```

```
    print(5 > 2 and 6 == 5)
```

```
    print(7 != 7)
```

```
    print(10 <= 12 or 7 > 10 and 5 > 3)
```

```
    list1 = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
    list2 = [7, 8]
```

```
    print(list1 + list2)
```

```
    print(list2 * 3)
```

```
    print(list1[2])
```

```
    print(list1[1 : 4])
```

```
    print(list2[-1])
```

```
main()
```

**Problem 2) [15 marks]**

The following program runs without any errors. Write the output beside each non-empty print() statement:

```
def main():
```

```
    fodder = [1, 4.5, 6, 7, 10, 11]
```

```
    message = "Happy Holidays!"
```

```
    print(5 in fodder)
```

```
    print(5 not in fodder)
```

```
    for val in fodder:
```

```
        print(val, end=', ')
```

```
    print()      # prints a linefeed
```

```
    for val in reversed(fodder):
```

```
        print(val, end=', ')
```

```
    print()      # prints a linefeed
```

```
    del fodder[1]
```

```
    print(fodder)
```

```
    print(message.index('H'))
```

```
    print(message.count('H'))
```

```
    print(message.find('Z'))
```

```
    print('day' in message)
```

```
    print(message[-1].isalpha())
```

```
    print(message.lower())
```

```
    print(message)
```

```
    # There is a space in the quotes:
```

```
    print(message.partition(' '))
```

```
main()
```

**Problem 3) [6 marks]**

a) One advance in computer – assisted surgery is the ability to combine many different medical images to form a single 3D model to aid the surgeon in planning his/her operation. The surgeon can also use devices whose position can be tracked by sensors that locate passive markers (we saw a demo of such a device by Prof. Kunz). For the computer model to be used with the positional devices a third computer aided technique was developed. Name and describe this technique and the older process that it has replaced:

b) As Prof. Dingel pointed out, software is becoming increasingly complex with common operating systems being written with millions of lines of code. One technique that helps programmers like you deal with this complexity is the process of functional decomposition that we discussed in lecture. Name the three other techniques, or “weapons” listed by Prof. Dingel – his three “a” words. Which technique is used to shorten the “arrow of pain” between the requirements of a program and the expression of that program in machine-level code? Describe this technique.

**Problem 4) [9 marks]**

The following complete program sorts the list declared in the main function. It prints the list out in main and then at the end of each iteration of the outer loop in the sort, and then once again from main, after the list has been sorted:

```
def main():
    testList = [5, 7, 1, 2, 10, 3, 4, 6]
    print(testList)
    mysterySort(testList)
    print(testList)

def swap(numsList, pos1, pos2) :
    temp = numsList[pos1]
    numsList[pos1] = numsList[pos2]
    numsList[pos2] = temp

def mysterySort(numsList):
    i = 0
    size = len(numsList)
    while i < size - 1:
        aPos = i
        j = i + 1
        while j < size :
            if numsList[j] < numsList[aPos] :
                aPos = j
            j = j + 1
        if aPos != i:
            swap(numsList, i, aPos)
        i = i + 1
    print(numsList)

main()
```

What is the name of the sorting algorithm being used here?

What is the output of the program? The results of the first and last print statements are shown (the ones in main()); you must add the rest in the box to the right:

**[5, 7, 1, 2, 10, 3, 4, 6]**

**[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10]**

**Problem 5) [15 marks]**

Write two versions of a modified search function called “modSearch” that uses a sequential search to locate and return the start and end positions of all matches to a supplied target value in a supplied list. Your modSearch function header will be:

```
def modSearch(numsList, target)
```

You may assume that `numsList` will be in increasing order, will only contain numbers and will not be empty. You may also assume that `target` will contain a numeric value. Here is some code in a `main()` function, and its console output, that illustrates how your `modSearch` should work:

```
def main():
    testList = [2, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5, 5]
    print(modSearch(testList, 2))
    print(modSearch(testList, 3))
    print(modSearch(testList, 4))
    print(modSearch(testList, 5))
    try:
        print(modSearch(testList, 10))
    except ValueError as message:
        print(message)
```

Output:

(0, 2)

(3, 3)

(4, 6)

(7, 8)

Target not found.

As you can see, your function must raise a `ValueError` exception if the target value cannot be found in `numsList`.

Your first version of `modSearch` cannot use any list methods. The second version, which should be shorter, must use list methods. Write your code on the next page.

**Problem 5, Cont.)**

No list methods version of modSearch:

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Version of modSearch using list methods:

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**Problem 6) [15 marks]**

On the next page, write a function called `loadData()` that accepts a filename string as its only parameter. The function then opens the text file and loads the data from the file into a list of dictionaries, which will be returned by the function. The file consists of frog population data – the first column will be the name of the pond/marsh, the second column the type of frog and the third column an integer count. The three values are separated by a comma. Each dictionary in the list will represent a single row from the file. For example, if the file contains:

```
Lake Mead, green frog, 120  
Swampy Muck, brown frog, 200  
Warm Lake, hoppy frog, 1000
```

the function would return the list:

```
[{'count': 120, 'pondname': 'Lake Mead', 'frogname': 'green frog'},  
{ 'count': 200, 'pondname': 'Swampy Muck', 'frogname': 'brown frog'},  
{ 'count': 1000, 'pondname': 'Warm Lake', 'frogname': 'hoppy frog'}]
```

You may assume that the file will always be present, will not be empty and will always have the correct format, as shown above. However, the file can contain any number of rows. Do not write any methods other than `loadData()`.

**Problem 6, Cont.)**

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**Problem 7) [15 marks]**

Write a function called `makeChange()` that makes change for dollar amounts under \$5.00, using only loonies, quarters, dimes and pennies. The function accepts the dollar amount and returns a dictionary consisting of the coins required to make this amount. Here are the coins to use:

loonie - \$1.00  
quarter - \$0.25  
dime - \$0.10  
penny - \$0.01

If the dollar amount is less than or equal to zero or greater than or equal to 5.00 raise a `ValueError` exception. Otherwise your function must return a dictionary, where the keys are the coin names given above and the values are the numbers of each coin required. Don't include a coin if it is not required to make the amount (*ie.* the count for that coin would be zero).

You may need to use floor division: `//` and perhaps the modulo operator: `%` for this problem. Do not write any other functions. Here are a few examples of dollar amounts and the dictionary that would be returned for each:

1.00  
{'loonies': 1}

3.50  
{'loonies': 3, 'quarters': 2}

0.97  
{'pennies': 2, 'dimes': 2, 'quarters': 3}

2.59  
{'pennies': 9, 'loonies': 2, 'quarters': 2}

Hint: floor division and modulo do work as expected for float values, but consider removing the fractional amount from your input value by multiplying it by 100...

Write your function on the next page.

**Problem 7, Cont.)**

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### Some Built-In Functions:

`abs(number)` # the absolute value of number  
`len(obj)` # the length of the iterable or string  
`str(obj)` # convert obj to a string  
`int(number or string)` # convert to an int  
`float(number or string)` # convert to a float  
`list(obj)` # convert to a list  
`set(obj)` # convert to a set where each element is unique  
`range([start,] stop [, step])` # creates an iterable used with a for loop  
`input(stringPrompt)` # returns a string from the console  
`print(obj,..., sep=' ', end='\n')` # displays output to the console  
`chr(unicode)` # the character for the unicode value  
`ord(character)` # the Unicode value for the character  
`reversed(obj)` # a reversed iterable  
`sorted(obj)` # a sorted version of obj  
`isinstance(obj, type)` # True if obj is of the supplied type  
`max(obj)` # the highest value in the supplied iterable  
`min(obj)` # the lowest value  
`sum(obj)` # the sum of the numeric values in obj  
`open(filename, mode)` # open filename – mode is 'r', 'w' or 'a'

### List Methods:

`list.append(obj)` # appends obj to list  
`list.count(obj)` # counts occurrences of obj  
`list.index(obj)` # first occurrence of obj  
`list.index(obj, i, j)` # search between i and j  
`list.insert(index, obj)` # insert obj at index  
`list.pop()` # remove and return element at index = -1  
`list.remove(obj)` # search for, and remove obj  
`list.reverse()` # reverses in place  
`list.sort()` # sorts in place

### File Object Methods:

`fileobj.read()` # reads entire file  
`fileobj.readline()` # a single line  
`fileobj.readlines()` # a list of lines  
`fileobj.write(str)` # writes str to file  
`fileobj.close()` # close file object

### Some String Methods:

# the number of occurrences of str  
`string.count(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
# True if the string ends with str  
`string.endswith(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
# replace tabs with spaces  
`string.expandtabs(tabsize=8)`  
# index location of str, -1 if not found  
`string.find(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
`string.format(args)` # args are placed and formatted into the string according to format codes  
# index location of str, ValueError raised if not found  
`string.index(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
`string.isalnum()` # True if letter or numeric character  
`string.isalpha()` # True if letter  
`string.isdigit()` # True if numeric character  
`string.islower()` # True if lower case  
`string.isspace()` # True if whitespace (space, tab or linefeed)  
`string.istitle()` # True if titlecase  
`string.isupper()` # True if uppercase  
`string.join(seq)` # concatenate all strings in sequence  
`string.ljust(width)` # pad with spaces to width  
`string.lower()` # change all to lower case  
`string.lstrip()` # strip whitespace from start  
`string.partition(str)` # returns tuple of size 3 split around str  
# replaces all occurrences of str1 with str2  
`string.replace(str1, str2, num=string.count(str1))`  
# like find but searches from end  
`string.rfind(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
# like index but searches from end  
`string.rindex(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
`string.rpartition(str)` # like partition but searches for str from end of string  
`string.rstrip()` # strips whitespace from end  
# splits string into a list of pieces using str as delimiter  
`string.split(str=" ", num=string.count(str))`  
# splits string into a list using linefeed as delimiter  
`string.splitlines(num=string.count('\n'))`  
# True if string starts with str  
`string.startswith(str, beg=0, end=len(string))`  
`string.strip()` # strip whitespace from beginning and end  
`string.swapcase()` # swaps letter case  
`string.title()` # titlecased version of string  
`string.upper()` # changes all to upper case