15110 PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTING – LABEXAM 1A- Summer 2015
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Directions:

- 1. In your home directory, create a folder named labexam1
- 2. Write a function in Python for each of the following problems and store these functions in the labexam1 folder. **Test your functions** by running in IDLE or calling them with python3 –i. Although we give you example/test runs, your function should work on all legal inputs based on the specifications given, and your output should match the examples as closely as possible for full credit. Remember that we will run your code on additional test cases that are not shown on the exam.
- 3. These problems can be done using for **loops, while loops, or recursion**: your choice (unless otherwise specified).
- 4. Once you are finished, **compress the labexam1 folder into a zip file and submit** it to **AutoLab** (http://autolab.cs.cmu.edu) by the end of lab. **Do not delete the labexam1 folder** from your home directory.

Below is Python3 syntax reminder for for and while loops. If we call the functions below with an argument that is a list of numbers they both print the odd items such that each item is printed on a separate line. Note that the print function can be called with the keyword arguments sep and end, defining respectively, the string to be placed between every two printed values and the string to be printed at the end of the print function. For example, using print(list[i], end='') in the examples below would print the values on the same line.

BONUS: if you write appropriate necessary comments, use meaningful variable names and use necessary spaces to improve the readability of your code you can get a bonus point (upto 3 points in total for questions 2, 3 and 4).

Question 1 (save the file as q1.py in your labexam1 folder)

[20 points]

Rewrite the function below by **renaming** the function and its parameter (*function1, parameter1*). Also rename **variable1** according to its aim. As data type Parameter1 is a list of integers. So this function could be called such as "function1([3,5,6,8,9,22])" (before renaming function1). In addition change the sentences like "#bla bla bla" with appropriate brief comments.

<pre>def listEvenNumbers(numList):</pre>		
counter = 0	# to count the even numbers found	
i = 0	# loop control variable	
<pre>while i < len(numList): if numList[i] % 2 == 0:</pre>		# check if the list item is even or not # increment the counter # show counter and even num. # increment i for the next item

Question 2 (save the file as q2.py in your labexam1 folder)

Write a python function *squaresBetween(firstNum, lastNum)* that prints the squares of the numbers between integers *firstNum* and *lastNum* (<u>inclusive</u>). You can assume that *firstNum* is less than *lastNum*.

As shown below, first print a string like "Squares of numbers from _____ to ____" and then print the numbers on the same line and use " | " between (instead going to the new line).

Sample usage:

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>>> squaresBetween(2,5)
Squares of numbers from 2 to 5
4 | 9 | 16 | 25 |
>>> squaresBetween(10,15)
Squares of numbers from 10 to 15
100 | 121 | 144 | 169 | 196 | 225 |
# Solution of Question 2
# Prints the squares of the numbers in a given range
def squaresBetween(firstNum, lastNum):
    #Display the aim
    print("Squares of numbers from", firstNum, "to", lastNum)
#calculate and print squares of numbers from firstNum to lastNum
for num in range(firstNum, lastNum+1):
    print(num ** 2, end=" | ")
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Question 3 (save the file as q3.py in your labexam1 folder)

[25 points]

Write a python function *first_num_greater_than(NumbersList, Key)* that takes a list of integers(*NumbersList*) and a key number (*Key*) in order to find and <u>return</u> the first number in the list that is greater than the key number taken. You may assume that the list you have taken has at least one element. If you cannot find a number greater than the key then you should <u>return None.</u>

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Sample usage:
    >>> sampleList = [3, 7, 18, 9, 18, 42, 4, 35, 45]
    >>> print(first_num_greater_than(sampleList, 2))
    3
    >>> print(first_num_greater_than(sampleList, 18))
    42
    >>> print(first_num_greater_than(sampleList, 100))
    None
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# Solution of Question 3
# Returns the first number in the NumbersList that is greater than the key
def first_num_greater_than(NumbersList, key):
    #Check all numbers in the list to compare with the given "key"
    for i in range(len(NumbersList)):
        if NumbersList[i] > key:
            return NumbersList[i] # found a number greater than key
    #couldn't find an appropriate number.
    return None
```

Question 4 (save the file as q4.py in your labexam1 folder)

[30 points]

Write a function convert(List1, LetterList) that takes

- 1. a list (List1) of other lists of integers and
- 2. another list of characters (*LetterList*).

Each list in *List1* consists of a series of integers. Each of these integers is the index of another list which is taken as the second parameter (*LetterList*). Aim of the function is to get the series of numbers from the items of *List1*, to generate **strings** and append them to a new list. And at the end to return that new list of strings as a result. Follow the algorithm below to write this function:

- 1. Create a new empty list (lets say newList. You can give different names.)
- 2. For each item of List1
 - a. Generate a string using the list of integers of this item (detailed explanation is below)
 - b. Append this string to the newList
- 3. Return the new list

In order to Generate a string using the list of integers

- 1. Create a new empty string
- 2. For each number in the list of integers
 - a. Add relevant letter to the end of the new string

Hint:

- if a is a list then a.append(x) appends the element c to the list a
- if s is a string s = s + 'X' will concatenate string s and 'X'

Sample usage:

```
# Solution of Question 4
# Returns a list of strings that are generated
# with the given lists of integers and letters
def convert(codeLists, letters):
    #initialize the list to keep the results
    newList = []
    # Convert each integer list in codeLists to a string
    for i in range(len(codeLists)):
        # Generate a string using the integers of this item
        returnString = ""
                             # start with an empty string
        # convert each number to relevant letter and add to string
        for j in range(len(codeLists[i])):
            returnString = returnString + letters[codeLists[i][j]]
        # append the string to the new list to return at the end
        newList.append(returnString)
    # return the list of generated strings
    return newList
```

ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION

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# Solution of Question 4
# Returns a string using the list of integers and relevant list of letters
def convertToString(numbersToConvert, listOfLetters):
    converted = ""
                      # start with an empty string
    for index in range(len(numbersToConvert)):
        converted = converted + listOfLetters [numbersToConvert[index]]
    return converted # return the converted string
# Returns a list of strings that are generated
# with the given lists of integers and letters
def convert2(codeLists, letters):
    newList = []
                       #initialize the list to keep the strings
    # Convert each integer list in codeLists to a string
    for i in range(len(codeLists)):
        # append the converted string to the new list
        newList.append(convertToString(codeLists[i], letters))
    # return the list of generated strings
    return newList
```