

1 Function: `alpha(int m)`

✦ Question:

Write a function `alpha(int m)` that prints all numbers from 1 to `m` in a single line, separated by spaces.

✓ Example Input & Output:

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Input: 5

Output: 1 2 3 4 5

2 Function: `beta(int x)`

✦ Question:

Write a function `beta(int x)` that returns a string where the first row contains `x` copies of 'a', the second row has `x-1` copies of 'b', and so on, until a single character remains.

✓ Example Input & Output:

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Input: 3

Output: "aaabbc"

💡 Explanation:

- 'a' is repeated 3 times
 - 'b' is repeated 2 times
 - 'c' is repeated 1 time
 - Final string: "aaabbc"
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3 Function: `gamma(int x)`

✦ Question:

Write a function `gamma(int x)` that returns an array of 3 values:

1. The square of `x`

2. The sum of digits of x
3. 6 if x is **prime**, otherwise 9

✅ **Example Input & Output:**

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Input: 13

Output: [169, 4, 6]

💡 **Explanation:**

- $13^2 = 169$
 - Sum of digits: $1+3=4$
 - 13 is **prime**, so output is 6
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4 **Function: `delta(int[] arr)` (Simulating Call by Reference)**

📌 **Question:**

Write a function `delta(int[] arr)` that takes an array of two integers.

- It replaces `arr[0]` with `arr[1] + 7`
- It replaces `arr[1]` with `arr[0] + 5` (original value of `arr[0]`)
- Print the updated values of both numbers.

✅ **Example Input & Output:**

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Input: 3 8

Output: 15 8

💡 **Explanation:**

- $arr[0] = arr[1] + 7 = 8 + 7 = 15$
- $arr[1] = \text{original } arr[0] + 5 = 3 + 5 = 8$

Java code :

```

import java.util.*;
import java.lang.*;
import java.io.*;

class Codechef
{
    public static void alpha(int m){
        for(int i =1; i<=m; i++){
            System.out.print(i+" ");
        }
    }

    public static String beta(int x){
        String total_string = "";
        char m = 'a';
        while(x != 0){
            for(int i = 0; i < x; i++){
                total_string += m;
            }
            m = (char)(m + 1);
            x--;
        }
        return total_string;
    }

    public static int[] gamma(int x){
        int[] charan = new int[3];
        charan[0] = (int)(Math.pow(x, 2));

        int sum = 0;
        int t = x;
        while(t != 0){
            sum = sum + (t % 10);
            t = t / 10;
        }
        charan[1] = sum;

        int flag = 0;
        for(int i = 2; i <= x / 2; i++){
            if((x % i) == 0){
                flag = 1;
                break;
            }
        }
    }
}

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    }

    if(flag == 0) charan[2] = 6;
    else charan[2] = 9;

    return charan;
}

// Simulating Call by Reference using an array
public static void delta(int[] arr) {
    int temp = arr[0];
    arr[0] = arr[1] + 7; // 15
    arr[1] = temp + 5; // 8
}

public static void main (String[] args) throws java.lang.Exception
{
    Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
    int x = sc.nextInt();
    alpha(x);
    System.out.println();

    String m = beta(x);
    System.out.println(m);

    int[] t = gamma(x);
    System.out.println(Arrays.toString(t));

    for(int i = 0; i < 3; i++){
        System.out.print(t[i] + " ");
    }
    System.out.println();

    int a = sc.nextInt();
    int b = sc.nextInt();

    // Creating an array to pass by reference
    int[] arr = {a, b};
    delta(arr);

    // Printing updated values of a and b
    System.out.println(arr[0] + " " + arr[1]);
}
}

```

CPP CODE :

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
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```
using namespace std;
```

```
void alpha(int m) {  
    for (int i = 1; i <= m; i++) {  
        cout << i << " ";  
    }  
    cout << endl;  
}
```

```
string beta(int x) {  
    string total_string = "";  
    char m = 'a';  
    while (x != 0) {  
        for (int i = 0; i < x; i++) {  
            total_string += m;  
        }  
        m = m + 1;  
        x--;  
    }  
    return total_string;  
}
```

```
vector<int> gamma(int x) {  
    vector<int> charan(3);  
    charan[0] = pow(x, 2);
```

```
    int sum = 0, t = x;  
    while (t != 0) {  
        sum += (t % 10);  
        t /= 10;  
    }  
    charan[1] = sum;
```

```
    int flag = 0;  
    for (int i = 2; i <= x / 2; i++) {  
        if (x % i == 0) {  
            flag = 1;  
            break;  
        }  
    }
```

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    }
    charan[2] = (flag == 0) ? 6 : 9;
    return charan;
}

```

```

// Call by Reference in C++
void delta(int &a, int &b) {
    int temp = a;
    a = b + 7; // 15
    b = temp + 5; // 8
}

```

```

int main() {
    int x;
    cin >> x;
    alpha(x);

    string m = beta(x);
    cout << m << endl;

    vector<int> t = gamma(x);
    for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
        cout << t[i] << " ";
    }
    cout << endl;

    int a, b;
    cin >> a >> b;
    delta(a, b);

    cout << a << " " << b << endl;
    return 0;
}

```

Call by REF :

Modified Code using Pointers

If you want to pass addresses, you need to **use pointers** (**int***) instead of references (**int&**):

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```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

void delta(int *a, int *b) {
    int temp = *a;
    *a = *b + 7; // Modifying the value at address of a
    *b = temp + 5; // Modifying the value at address of b
}

int main() {
    int a, b;
    cin >> a >> b;

    // Calling delta function with addresses
    delta(&a, &b);

    cout << a << " " << b << endl;
    return 0;
}
```

Key Changes

- ✓ Used **pointers** (**int ***) instead of references
- ✓ Used **dereferencing** (***a, *b**) to modify values at the passed memory locations
- ✓ Used **&a, &b in the function call** to send the address of variables

1 Function: **alpha(int m)**

📌 Observations:

- ✓ **Simple Iteration** – The function prints numbers from 1 to **m** in a single line.
- ✓ **Time Complexity: $O(m)$** – It iterates from 1 to **m**, printing each number.
- ✓ **Edge Cases:**

- **$m = 1$** → Only prints 1

- `m = 0` → Prints nothing
- **Negative values are not handled** → Function should check if `m < 1`

✂ Possible Enhancements:

- Use `StringBuilder` instead of `System.out.print()` for better efficiency in large inputs.
 - Handle negative `m` by printing an error message.
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2 Function: `beta(int x)`

📌 Observations:

✓ **Pattern Generation** – The function builds a decreasing sequence of characters (`a`, `b`, `c`, ...).

✓ **String Concatenation Issue:**

- Using `total_string += m;` inside a loop creates multiple string objects (inefficient).
- Instead, use `StringBuilder` to improve performance.

✓ **Time Complexity: $O(x^2)$** –

- First iteration runs `x` times,
- Second iteration runs `x-1` times, and so on.
- Total operations = `x + (x-1) + (x-2) + ... + 1 = $O(x^2)$` .

✓ **Edge Cases:**

- `x = 1` → Only `a` is printed
- `x = 0` → Returns an empty string

✂ Possible Enhancements:

- **Optimize string concatenation** with `StringBuilder` ($O(x^2) \rightarrow O(x)$).
 - **Add validation for `x`** (avoid negative values).
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3 Function: `gamma(int x)`

📌 Observations:

✓ **Three Key Computations:**

- **Square Calculation:** `Math.pow(x, 2)`, stored as an integer.
- **Digit Sum Calculation:** Extracting and summing digits using a loop.
- **Prime Check:** Determines if `x` is prime using `O(√x)` method.
 - ✓ **Prime Check Improvement:**
- Checking divisibility up to `x/2` is **inefficient**.
- Optimal approach: **Check divisibility up to `√x`** (reduces complexity from `O(x)` to `O(√x)`).
- ✓ **Time Complexity:** `O(√x)` for prime check, `O(log x)` for sum of digits, `O(1)` for square.
- ✓ **Edge Cases:**
- `x = 1` → Special case (not prime)
- `x = 0` → Might cause an issue in prime checking

✂ Possible Enhancements:

- **Optimize Prime Check:** Replace `for (int i = 2; i <= x / 2; i++)` with `for (int i = 2; i * i <= x; i++)`.
 - **Handle edge cases** like `x = 0` and `x = 1`.
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4 Function: `delta(int[] arr)`

📌 Observations:

✓ Pass-by-Reference Simulation

- Java **does not support true pass-by-reference**, so an **array** is used as a workaround.
 - ✓ **Swaps Values with Computation:**
- `arr[0] = arr[1] + 7`
- `arr[1] = original arr[0] + 5`
 - ✓ **Side Effects:**
- The function **modifies the original array**, affecting values in `main()`.
 - ✓ **Time Complexity:** `O(1)` – Only a few arithmetic operations.
 - ✓ **Edge Cases:**
- `arr[0] = 0, arr[1] = 0` → Should not cause errors.
- Large values of `a` and `b` should not cause overflow.

✂ Possible Enhancements:

- **Use separate variables** to avoid modifying input directly.

- **Explain the logic clearly** (since the function updates values in an unusual way).
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🔥 Final Key Takeaways

1. **Optimize String Operations** → Use `StringBuilder` for efficiency in `beta()`.
2. **Efficient Prime Check** → Use $O(\sqrt{x})$ instead of $O(x/2)$ in `gamma()`.
3. **Handle Edge Cases** → Check negative values, zero inputs, and special cases like `1` in `gamma()`.
4. **Understand Java's Memory Model** → Java uses **pass-by-value** for primitives and **pass-by-reference-like behavior** for objects/arrays.