Session 2: Reading Documentation and Debugging (Solutions Only)

A. Exploring Existing Functions

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[2]: # Command to print a formatted output
    print(f'Output:\n\ttotal: {total},\n\tcount: {count} \n\t\
    average (2 decimal places): {total/count:.2f}.')

Output:
    total: 16,
    count: 3
    average (2 decimal places): 5.33.
```

Case 3a. Mortgage Calculator I

Write a function numberMonths calculates how many months it would take to pay off a mortgage given the monthly payment. The function has four input arguments: total, monthly, annualInterest, and downpay. Let the default values for interest be 0.0425 and for downpay be 0. Label the four arguments T, M, I, D respectively. The number of months needed N is given by the formula

$$N = ceil\left(\frac{-\log(1 - \frac{i(T-D)}{M})}{\log(1+i)}\right),\,$$

where i = I/12 is the monthly interest rate and *ceil* is the math.ceil function.

```
[9]: import math
    def numberMonths(total,monthly,interest=0.0425,downpay=0):
        i=interest/12
        A=i*(total-downpay)/monthly
        top=-math.log(1-A)
        bottom=math.log(1+i)
        return math.ceil(top/bottom)

[10]: numberMonths(500000,4000)/12

13.8333333333333334

[11]: numberMonths(500000,4000,interest=0.05)/12

14.75
```

B. Debugging

C. Correcting the logic (this time building up one component at a time)

```
[16]: T=500000

M=4000

I=0.0425

D=0

i=I/12

A=i*(T-D)/M
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top=-math.log(1-A)
bottom=math.log(1+i)
N=math.ceil(top/bottom)
N
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D. Putting correct logic back into function

(Optional: Shortening the code to work with original named variables directly.)

```
[17]: import math
   def numberMonths(total,monthly,interest=0.0425,downpay=0):
        i=interest/12
        A=i*(total-downpay)/monthly
        top=-math.log(1-A)
        bottom=math.log(1+i)
        return math.ceil(top/bottom)
   numberMonths(5000000,4000)/12
```

13.833333333333334

Case 3b. Mortgage Calculator II

Write a function monthlyPayment that calculates the monthly payment needed to pay off a mortgage in a given number of months. The function has four input arguments: total, months, interest, and downpay. Let the default values for interest be 0.0425 and for downpay be 0. Label the four arguments T, N, I, D respectively. The monthly payment M is given by the formula

$$M = \frac{(1+i)^N}{(1+i)^N - 1}i(T-D),$$

where i = I/12 is the monthly interest rate. Round the answer to two decimal places using the round function.