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Degree in Software Engineering – Computing Basics Unit 2.5 Exercises: Subprograms and Functions

This document includes a collection of exercises from Unit 2.5: Subprograms and Functions. It is recommended that you try doing the exercises without looking at the solutions first, and then you check your answers.

Exercise 1

Write a function that returns the greatest common divisor of two input natural numbers. Assume the function always receives valid input parameters.

Given the above function, write a main program that prints on screen the greatest common divisor of two natural numbers introduced by the user.

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Example:

Input the first natural number: 42
Input the second natural number: 36
The greatest common divisor is 6
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Exercise 2

Write a function that returns the factorial n! of a non-negative integer number n passed as a parameter. Assume the function always receives valid input parameters.

Given the above function, write a main program that prints on screen the factorials of all numbers in the closed interval [0, k], where k is a non-negative integer number specified by the user.

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Example:

Input the maximum value for which the factorial will be calculated: 5

0! = 1

1! = 1

2! = 2

3! = 6

4! = 24

5! = 120
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Exercise 3

Write a function that returns the sum of all digits in a non-negative integer number passed as a parameter. Then, write another function that returns the number of digits of a non-negative integer number passed as a parameter. Assume the functions always receive valid input parameters.

Given the above functions, write a main program that takes a non-negative integer number from the user, and prints the sequence of numbers that result from the sum of their digits until their corresponding number of digits is 1.



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Example:

Input a non-negative integer value: 987656789
987656789
65
11
2
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Exercise 4

Write a function that returns whether a natural number passed as a parameter is prime or not. Think carefully which data type it must return. Assume the function always receives valid input parameters.

Given the above function, write a main program that determines whether the numbers introduced by the user are prime or not. The program must finish when the user introduces a non-natural number.

Example: Input a natural number: 32 32 is NOT a prime number Input a natural number: 21 21 is NOT a prime number Input a natural number: 5 5 is a prime number Input a natural number: -5