

Question 1

[9 marks]

Evaluate the following expressions, and provide the output in each case.

(a) `"philology"[3:6]`

A:

`'lol'`

(b) `'alphabet' in 'alphabetical order'`

A:

`True`

(c) `sorted({'cycling': ['andrew', 'tim'], 'duplo': 'tim', 'dogs': 'andrew'}).keys()[-1]`

A:

`'duplo'`

Question 2

[9 marks]

What are the final values of each of the variables indicated below, on completion of execution of the following code:

```
def fun(i, j):  
    return i > j  
  
text = "she sells sea shells".split()  
text_len = len(text)  
count = 0  
for i in range(text_len - 1):  
    if fun(text[i + 1], text[i]):  
        count = count + 1
```

(a) `text_len`

A:

`4`

(b) `i`

A:

`2`

(c) `count`

A:

`1`

Question 3

Rewrite the following function, replacing the `while` loop with a `for` loop:

```
def max_digit_sum(maxnum):  
    i = 1  
    maxval = maxsum = 0  
    while i <= maxnum:  
        numsum = sum([int(j) for j in str(i)])  
        if numsum > maxsum:  
            maxval = i  
            maxsum = numsum  
        i = i + 1  
    return maxval
```

A:

```
def max_digit_sum(maxnum):  
    maxval = maxsum = 0  
    for i in range(1, maxnum + 1):  
        numsum = sum([int(j) for j in str(i)])  
        if numsum > maxsum:  
            maxval = i  
            maxsum = numsum  
    return maxval
```

Question 4

The following is intended to take a list of (unique) 3-digit student numbers (in the form of integers) and a list of test venues (in the form of strings), and allocate students seat numbers in the respective test venues. It does this by sorting the students in ascending order of student number, and cycling through the venues from one student to the next. It also generates a seat number for each student in a given venue, starting from seat number 1 in each venue.

```
def seat_allocation(student_ids, venues):
    seat_list = []
    
    next_available_seat = []
    for _i in range(venue_count):
        
        venue_id = 0
        
        seat_list.append((student_id, venues[venue_id], next_available_seat[venue_id]))
        next_available_seat[venue_id] = next_available_seat[venue_id] + 1
        
    
```

When run as follows, the provided output should be generated:

```
>>> seat_allocation([116, 562, 320, 109, 888], ["Tim Hall", "Andrew Theatre"])
[(109, 'Tim Hall', 1), (116, 'Andrew Theatre', 1), (320, 'Tim Hall', 2),
 (562, 'Andrew Theatre', 2), (888, 'Tim Hall', 3)]
```

Complete the code by providing a code snippet for each of the numbered gaps, noting that the code should be appropriate for the indicated indentation level of each gap.

(1) A:

```
venue_count = len(venues)
```

(2) A:

```
next_available_seat.append(1)
```

(3) A:

```
for student_id in sorted(student_ids):
```

(4) A:

```
venue_id = (venue_id + 1) % venue_count
```

(5) A:

```
return seat_list
```

Question 5

Write the function `piig_seq(intlist)` which takes the single argument `intlist` (a list of positive integers, at least three elements in length), and returns `True` if `intlist` is a “piig” (positively increasing integer geometric) sequence of numbers, and `False` otherwise. A “piig” sequence is one where the ratio between all adjacent elements n_i and n_{i-1} is a fixed integer $r > 1$. For example, `[5, 15, 45, 135]` is a piig sequence, as the ratio between each adjacent pair of numbers is 3 (i.e. $\frac{15}{5} = \frac{45}{15} = \frac{135}{45} = 3$). On the other hand, `[3, 3, 3, 3]` is not as the ratio $r = 1$ is constant but *not* $r > 1$, `[100, 150, 225]` is not as the ratio $r = 1.5$ is constant but not a whole number, and `[7, 14, 56, 112]` is not as the ratio is not constant for all adjacent pairs in the sequence (e.g. $\frac{14}{7} \neq \frac{56}{14}$).

Example calls to `piig_seq` are:

```
>>> piig_seq([5, 15, 45, 135])
True
>>> piig_seq([3, 3, 3, 3])
False
>>> piig_seq([100, 150, 225])
False
>>> piig_seq([7, 14, 56, 112])
False
>>> piig_seq([8, 4, 2, 1])
False
```

A:

```
def piig_seq(intlist):
    diff = int(intlist[1]/intlist[0])
    if diff <= 1:
        return False
    for i in range(1, len(intlist)):
        if intlist[i]/intlist[i-1] != diff:
            return False
    return True
```