

**22c:016 Computer Science I: Foundations**

## Exam 1 Solutions

*Thursday, September 25, 2014***1. Expressions (50 points)**

Evaluate each of the following expressions. If an expression cannot be evaluated (*i.e.*, it yields an error) explain why. Moreover, assume the following variables have the specified values:

```
L = ['taken', 'surprise', 'over', 'come', 'by']  
s = 'coffee coke tea lemonade milk sprite'
```

(1) `175//2.0`

**Answer: 87.0** Note that the type is float, even though it is "floor" division.

(2) `"spring" + ("50")`

**Answer: 'spring50'**

(3) `"100" == 100`

**Answer: False** Types don't match!

(4) `('h'+"jedi"[1:2] + ''.join(('l'*2).split())) + 'o'`

**Answer: 'hello'**

(5) `(10 != 200) and not True or not False`

**Answer: True**

(6) `3 < 10 or 5`

**Answer: True**

(7) `(10 < 100) or (50 < 100/0)`

**Answer: True** There is no divide-by-zero error because the first clause is True so the second isn't even evaluated.

(8) `len("hello") == 25/5 or 20/10`

**Answer: True**

(9) `-4*-2**3+-len(str(6))`

**Answer: 31** The '-' is negation here.

(10) `2*(2*(2*len("01")))`

**Answer: 16**

(11) `(len("expression")/10 + 15)/len(str(10+15))`

**Answer: 8.0**

(12) `(0*'x')` in `'Iowa'.upper()`

**Answer: True** The empty string is always in any string.

(13) `"w"` in `'Iowa'` and `(5!-4*3-7 or 'k' not in "hawk")`

**Answer: Syntax error (!-)**

(14) `15//2+1`

**Answer: 8**

(15) `('foo'*2, ('a'<'b'))` and `True`

**Answer: ('foofoo', True)**

(16) `(not True, 'to'+ 'rn', 72/6)[2-4]`

**Answer: 'torn'** The `[2-4]` is simply the index `[-2]`.

(17) `(7)[0:]`

**Answer: Syntax error (not a tuple)** The singleton tuple would read `(7,)` instead.

(18) `L[49//7%5].title()+L[0].upper()`

**Answer: 'OverTAKEN'**

(19) `{ c:s.count(c) for c in ''.join([ w[1:] for w in s.split() if 'e' not in w[-3:-1] and 'o' in w[:4] ]) }`

**Answer: {'a': 2, 'e': 7, 'd': 1, 'k': 2, 'm': 2, 'o': 3, 'n': 1}** This problem asks you to count letter occurrences in the original string but only for letters from a reduced subsequence of the string ('okeemonade').

(20) `'+'.join(s.split()[2:3])[2:5] + s[32:37][1]`

**Answer: 'ai'** Many students were confused by the `'+'` which concatenates strings. This is different than the `'+'` used as "glue" in the join, although the latter turns out to be irrelevant given the slice selected.

(21) `tuple({ c for c in 'foobar' if c != 'r' } & { c for c in 'bingo' if c != 'o' })`

**Answer: ('b',)** These are sets, and `'&'` is set intersection.

(22) *# note: is there more than one answer? why or why not?*

`''.join(list({ c for c in 'foobar' if c!= 'r' } - { c for c in 'bingo' if c != 'o' })))`

**Answer: 'aof'** There may be many answers, because sets are unordered, thus permutations are allowed.

Find values for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  that make each of the following expressions True. If no such values exist, explain why.

(1) `((1,4,3),[5,7,9],range(4,7,1))[\alpha][\beta]%4`

**Answer:  $\alpha = 1$   $\beta = 1$**  There are many answers here; some which are explicitly True (where the expression evaluates to 1: 0,0 1,0 1,2 2,1) and others which are defacto True (expression evaluates

to non-0 value other than 1: 0,2 1,1 2,2). The only ones that don't work are 0,1 and 2,0.

(2)  $1+\alpha\%2 == (\alpha+2)\%2$

**Answer:** there is no solution; LHS will be 1 if even(a), 2 if odd(a); RHS will be 0 if even(a), 1 if odd(a)

(3)  $\alpha$  in  $\beta$  and  $\alpha \neq \beta[\beta.\text{index}(\alpha)]$

**Answer:**  $\alpha = \text{'foo'}$   $\beta = \text{'foobar'}$  The key issue here is that  $\alpha$  needs to be a non-single-character substring found in  $\beta$ , so that the index expression returns the single starting character of  $\alpha$  which will not be equal to  $\alpha$  itself. Note that  $\alpha$  could also be the null string "", which is always in any other string.

## 2. Python REPL (22 points)

Consider the following interactive session with the Python REPL. What is output to the screen after each input?

```
>>> i = 9
>>> while i > 0:
    print(i)
    if (i%2 == 0):
        i = i/2
    i = i - 1
9
8
3.0
2.0
>>> n = 10
>>> while n <= 100:
    print(n)
    n = n + 2
    if n % 5 == 0:
        n = n - 1
        break
    print(n)
10
12
12
14
14
16
16
18
18
>>> def test(x=3, y=5, z=2):
    return(x-y+z)
>>> test()
0
```

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>>> test(10)
7
>>> test(10,20)
-8
>>> test(20,10)
12
>>> test(z=35)
33
>>> test(10,z=35)
40
>>> def foobar(x, y=1):
    s = ''
    for i in range(0,x,y):
        s = s + str(i)
    print(s)
>>> x = foobar(6)
012345
>>> y = foobar(2)
01
>>> x + y
Error: NoneType + NoneType

```

### 3. Complete the Function (8 points)

- (1) The *isslice()* function returns True if its first argument is a subsequence of its second argument, for any sequence type. So, for example:

```

>>> isslice('bam', "bimbamboo")
True
>>> isslice([21,22], range(10))
False
>>> isslice([0,0,0],[0,0,0])
True

```

Unfortunately, the definition is incomplete. Fill in the blanks to complete the definition.

```

def isslice(x, s):
    return(any([ x==s[i:i+len(x)] for i in range(len(s)) ]))

```

- (2) The *invert()* function reverses its argument, which is a list, in place, that is, it makes structural changes to the list. So:

```

>>> L = list(range(4))
>>> L
[0, 1, 2, 3]
>>> invert(L)
>>> L
[3, 2, 1, 0]

```

Unfortunately, the definition is incomplete. Fill in the blanks to complete the definition.

```
def invert(L):  
    for i in range(len(L)//2):  
        L[i], L[len(L)-i-1] = L[len(L)-i-1], L[i]
```

An alternate solution simply indexes from the end.

```
def invert(L):  
    for i in range(len(L)//2):  
        L[i], L[-i-1] = L[-i-1], L[i]
```