

CISC106H - Fall 2017
Lab 1, due Sunday 9/17

Welcome to your first lab! Please read directions carefully if and only if you want a good grade on the assignment.

1. Find zero, one or two partners. Go to the TA and let the TA know your names and that you will be working together for this week-long lab. You will work with someone different next lab. It is good to practice working with other people, and good to network with other students and start to build working relationships and learn to communicate about work.
2. Go to the class website and download `cisc106.py`. You may have to use “save link as”. You will need to have this file in the same directory as any python files you write that want to import it. Once you have downloaded it, upload it to replit so you can use it there.

Problems for submission later:

3. Create a Python file, **sum.py**. Write a function header (the header is the line of code that starts with “def”) for `sum`, which will compute the sum of only two numbers.

Give the function a body that says simply “pass” (this is how we make an empty function body). This way it will run, but won’t give correct answers.

At the top of your `sum.py` file, import from `cisc106.py` by saying:

```
from cisc106 import assertEquals
```

at the top of the file with the `sum` function.

Now write three `assertEquals` tests below your function:

```
assertEquals( sum(2,3), 5)
assertEquals( sum(0,3), 3)
assertEquals( sum(-2,0), -2)
```

Run the module and you should get fail messages for all three tests. Cheer when this happens, you have correctly used `assertEquals` from `cisc106.py`. Show your TA that you have successfully failed.

Now fill in the correct body of the function in your `sum.py` file and demonstrate your tests passing.

4. Code the function discussed in the second lecture, `close_enough(num1, num2, tolerance)`. Then write the function `circle_area(radius)`¹, and test it using composition of functions `assertEquals` and `close_enough`.
5. Use composition to write the function `cylinder_volume(radius, height)` using your `circle_area` function. Test as above.

¹Be sure to use the built-in `pi` constant discussed in class!

6. Design tests for an absolute value function named **myAbs**. (Python has a built-in function for computing absolute value, but **do not** use it here. As a rule, when asked to write a function you should never use the built-in version².) Code the tests and then write the function **myAbs** using an **if** statement³.
7. Observe the menu function below. Run this program and call menu().

```
def menu():
    """
    What does this program do?
    """

    choice = input("Please enter \n\
1) to calculate your taxes;\n\
2) to achieve world peace:\n")

    print(choice)
```

Modify this code to make a fun program that uses simple input to tell the user facts about your hobby. Pairs must submit two programs (i.e. one program per student). Nested input testing is extra cool.

8. Using only conditionals, composition, and recursion (all covered in class so far), write four functions that take a size parameter and use `line_of_stars` and `line_of_spaces` to draw an isoceses triangle⁴. You will also write `print_space()` and `line_of_space()`. Your triangle functions may not call `print_stars` or `print_spaces`. You may write a helper function if you need another parameter, but the functions shown below must operate with a single parameter as shown.

For example:

```
def print_star():
    print('*', end="")

def line_of_stars(n):
    """Does not return anything, just prints a single line"""
    if n>0:
        print_star()
        line_of_stars(n-1)
```

²Why do you think we ask you to write functions that Python already has?

³Could you code it without an if? What would it look like? Would it be a good idea?

⁴In other words, these four functions will not directly print asterisks or spaces - they get the previous two functions to do that work

```

>>> upLeft(3)
* * *
* *
*
>>> downLeft(4)
*
* *
* * *
* * * *
>>> downRight(3)
      *
    * *
  * * *
>>> upRight(2)
* *
  *

```

Since your functions only print, they won't have results testable with `assertEqual`⁵.

Assignment Submission:

Make sure both names of your programming pair are in each file.

Have one or more python functions in a .py file, with the relevant `assertEqual` tests in the same file. You need functions `sum`, `close_enough`, `circle_area`, `cylinder_volume`, `myAbs`, all with tests; and `menu`, `line`, `space`, and `triangle` functions without tests.

Submit on Canvas: One or more python files containing code and tests. Follow the TA's instructions if they vary from this document.

⁵Think: How could you rewrite the `line` and `triangle` functions so that `assertEqual` could test them? Don't do this yet.