

Lab 3: Functions, File Processing, and Arrays

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Exercise 1: Recursive Function to Evaluate a Finite Sum

AIM:

An approximation to the function $x/(1-x)^2$ for $|x| < 1$ is given by the finite sum:

$$\frac{x}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n ix^i$$

where n is a finite large number. Write a Python program that implements the recursive function `fsum(x, n)` to compute the above finite sum. Your program should also contain the code that displays this sum to 8 decimal places for $x = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4$ and $n = 2, 5, 10, 50, 100$ by using this function.

ALGORITHM:

1. Start
2. Define the function `fsum(x, n)` as follows:
 - (a) If $n = 1$, return x
 - (b) Else, return $n*x**n + \text{fsum}(x, n-1)$
3. Display the results for calling the function with different values of x and n
4. End

PROGRAM:

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# Exercise 1: Recursive Approach to Evaluate a Finite Sum
# Written by F K Chow, HKU
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def fsum(x, n):
    """ Compute the finite sum for x/(1-x)^2 with a recursive app """
    if n == 1:
        return x
    return n*x**n + fsum(x, n-1)
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# Display the results for calling the function with different values
# of x and n
for x in [0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4]:
    print('x = ', x)
    for n in [2, 5, 10, 50, 100]:
        print('n = {:d}, sum = {:.8f}'.format(n, fsum(x, n)))
```

OUTPUT:

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x = 0.1
n = 2, sum = 0.12000000
n = 5, sum = 0.12345000
n = 10, sum = 0.12345679
n = 50, sum = 0.12345679
n = 100, sum = 0.12345679
x = 0.2
n = 2, sum = 0.28000000
n = 5, sum = 0.31200000
n = 10, sum = 0.31249971
n = 50, sum = 0.31250000
n = 100, sum = 0.31250000
x = 0.3
n = 2, sum = 0.48000000
n = 5, sum = 0.60555000
n = 10, sum = 0.61221598
n = 50, sum = 0.61224490
n = 100, sum = 0.61224490
x = 0.4
n = 2, sum = 0.72000000
n = 5, sum = 1.06560000
n = 10, sum = 1.11029555
n = 50, sum = 1.11111111
n = 100, sum = 1.11111111
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Exercise 2: Manipulating the Data from a Text File

AIM:

A text file called `HKFM.txt` contains the data of first marriages registered in Hong Kong from 1995 to 2020 (Source: <https://www.censtatd.gov.hk/tc/scode160.html> by Census and Statistics Department, HKSAR) which are delimited by tab as follows:

[Number of first marriages registered in HK by sex and age group]

Sex/Age group (years)	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020
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Male

16-19	289	232	220	175	155	31
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20-24	4331	3076	3512	3737	3036	851
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>= 50	386	493	1690	1068	1014	581
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Female

16-19	1213	966	935	683	511	98
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20-24	10066		6613	7972	8286	5805	1545
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>= 50	140	93	156	227	320	319
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Write a Python program that reads the data from this file, find the total number and dominant age group of first marriages registered in Hong Kong by sex and year, and finally print a table of the results with the following format on the screen:

Sex	Year	Total Number	Dominant Age Group
Male	1995	34080	25-29
Male	2000	26176	25-29
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Female	1995	34232	25-29
Female	2000	26605	25-29
		⋮	

ALGORITHM:

1. Start
2. Read the data of first marriages registered in HK from the file `HKFM.txt`

3. Find the total number and dominant age group of first marriages by sex and year
4. Print a table of the results on the screen
5. End

PROGRAM:

```
# Exercise 2: Manipulating the Data from a Text File
# Written by F K Chow, HKU
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# Read the data of first marriages registered in HK from the file
with open('HKFM.txt', 'r') as infile:
    line = infile.readline()    # Discard the title line
    line = infile.readline()
    year = line.strip('\n').split('\t')[1:]
    data = []
    sex = []
    for line in infile:
        if '\t' in line:      # Check if the line has tab-delimited data
            row = []
            for i in line.strip('\n').split('\t'):
                row.append(i)
            data.append(row)
        else:
            sex.append(line)

def getdata(year, rawdata):
    """ Find the total number and dominant age group """
    nyr = len(year)
    total = [0 for i in range(nyr)]
    dag = ['' for i in range(nyr)]
    for i in range(nyr):
        max = 0
        for j in range(len(rawdata)):
            num = int(rawdata[j][i+1])
            if max < num:
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        max = num
        dag[i] = rawdata[j][0]
        total[i] += num
    return total, dag

# Find the total number and dominant age group of first marriages
# by sex and year
nyr = len(year)
nag = int(len(data)/2) # Number of age groups
sex = ['Male', 'Female']
totalm, dagm = getdata(year, data[:nag])
totalf, dagf = getdata(year, data[nag:])

# Print a table of the results
print('{:>6s} {:>6s} {:>14s} {:>20s}'.format('Sex', 'Year',
                                           'Total Number',
                                           'Dominant Age Group'))

print('-'*49)
for i in range(nyr):
    print('{:>6s} {:>6s} {:>14d} {:>20s}'.format(sex[0], year[i],
                                           totalm[i], dagm[i]))

for i in range(nyr):
    print('{:>6s} {:>6s} {:>14d} {:>20s}'.format(sex[1], year[i],
                                           totalf[i], dagf[i]))

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OUTPUT:

Sex	Year	Total Number	Dominant Age Group
Male	1995	34080	25-29
Male	2000	26174	25-29
Male	2005	32551	30-34
Male	2010	39781	30-34
Male	2015	38106	30-34
Male	2020	23079	30-34
Female	1995	34232	25-29
Female	2000	26605	25-29
Female	2005	33279	25-29
Female	2010	42342	25-29
Female	2015	39577	25-29
Female	2020	23452	25-29

PROGRAM:

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# Exercise 3: Printing a Histogram to a Text File
# Written by F K Chow, HKU
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# Read the data of the 2020 mid-year population in HK from the file
with open('HKPop2020data.txt', 'r') as infile:
    line = infile.readline()    # Discard the title line
    line = infile.readline()    # Discard the header line
    data = []
    for line in infile:
        row = []
        for i in line.strip('\n').split(' '):
            row.append(i)
        data.append(row)

# Extract the statistics from the data and show them by printing a
# histogram to another file
with open('HKPop2020hist.txt', 'w') as outfile:
    print('Mid-year Population in Hong Kong by Age Group and Sex for '
          +'2020', file=outfile)
    print('(in nearest ten thousands)', file=outfile)
    for i in range(len(data)):
        num_m = int(round(int(data[i][1])/10000))
        num_f = int(round(int(data[i][2])/10000))
        print('{:>5s} |'.format(data[i][0]), end=' ', file=outfile)
        print('{:s}{:s}'.format('#'*num_m, '&'*num_f), end=' ',
              file=outfile)
        print('({:d}/{:d})'.format(num_m, num_f), file=outfile)
    print('#-Male; &-Female', file=outfile)
```

(The output is shown on the next page.)

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Exercise 4: Evaluating a Test with Arrays

AIM:

A test consisting of 20 multiple-choice questions with 5 possible choices (A, B, C, D, and E) is conducted for a group of 5 students. Write a Python program to evaluate the answers of these students using the following algorithm:

- (a) Read the string of the correct answers to the questions from the user and store the answers into an array of characters.
- (b) Read the string of the answers of a student from the user and store the answers into an array of characters.
- (c) Construct a Boolean array to indicate whether the answer of the student to each question is correct.
- (d) Use the array in (c) to count the number of correct answers and then print the results.
- (e) Repeat steps (b) to (d) for each student.

You can assume that all the inputs are in the required format. Here are the sample input and output of this program:

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Enter the correct answers to the MC questions:
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EEDAECAEEEEBCADDBCEEB
```

```
Enter the answers of Student-1:
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```
CEACBBDBDBCCEADABB
```

```
Number of correct answers: 2
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```
Answers to the following questions are correct:
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2 20
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```
Enter the answers of Student-2:
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```
EEDAECAEEEEBCADDBCEEB
```

```
Number of correct answers: 20
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```
Answers to the following questions are correct: ALL
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:
```

ALGORITHM:

1. Start
2. Import the numpy module
3. Read the string of the correct answers to the questions from the user and store the answers into an array of characters
4. Do the followings for each student:

- (a) Read the string of the student's answers from the user and store the answers into an array of characters
- (b) Construct a Boolean array to indicate whether the answer of the student to each question is correct
- (c) Use this array to count the number of correct answers and print the results

5. End

PROGRAM:

```
# Exercise 4: Evaluating a Test with Arrays
# Written by F K Chow, HKU
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# Import the numpy module
import numpy as np

# Read the string of the correct answers to the questions from the
# user and store the answers into an array of characters
ans_str = input('Enter the correct answers to the MC questions:\n')
ans = np.array([ch for ch in ans_str])

# For each student, read the string of the student's answers from the
# user and store the answers into an array of characters, construct a
# Boolean array to indicate whether the answer of the student to each
# question is correct, use this array to count the number of correct
# answers and print the results
for i in range(1,6):
    stdans_str = input('\nEnter the answers of Student-'+str(i)+':\n')
    stdans = np.array([ch for ch in stdans_str])
    correct = (ans == stdans)
    ncans = np.sum(correct)
    print('Number of correct answers:', ncans)
    if ncans == ans.size:
        print('Answers to the following questions are correct: ALL')
    elif ncans > 0:
        print('Answers to the following questions are correct:')
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for j in range(ans.size):  
    if correct[j]:  
        print(j+1, end=' ')  
  
print()
```

OUTPUT:

```
Enter the correct answers to the MC questions:  
EEDAEC AE E EBCADDBCEE B  
Enter the answers of Student-1:  
CEACBBDBDBCCEEADABB  
Number of correct answers: 2  
Answers to the following questions are correct:  
2 20  
Enter the answers of Student-2:  
EEDAEC AE E EBCADDBCEE B  
Number of correct answers: 20  
Answers to the following questions are correct: ALL  
Enter the answers of Student-3:  
DCEADBEADEBEACDDDDDED  
Number of correct answers: 6  
Answers to the following questions are correct:  
4 10 11 13 15 19  
Enter the answers of Student-4:  
BDBCACECECEAE CBBABCB  
Number of correct answers: 4  
Answers to the following questions are correct:  
6 9 16 20  
Enter the answers of Student-5:  
ACCBEDAACACCEACEEED  
Number of correct answers: 3  
Answers to the following questions are correct:  
12 18 19
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