

# Functions and File I/O

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You must get checked out by your lab CA prior to leaving early. **If you leave without being checked out, you will receive 0 credits for the lab.**

## Restrictions

The Python structures that you use in this lab should be restricted to those you have **learned in lecture so far (topics learned in Rephactor may only be used if they have also been taught in lecture)**. Please check with your teaching assistants in case you are unsure whether something is or is not allowed!

*Create a new python file for each of the following problems.*

Your files should be named *lab[num]\_q[num].py* similar to homework naming conventions.

## Problem 1: Reading With Numbers

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Often times when a word is misspelled, our brain can still make sense of what we're reading. This phenomenon is unofficially recognized as [Typoglycemia](#). For this problem, you will test the limits of Typoglycemia by prompting the user for text and changing the user's input to swap some characters with numbers [L1K3 TH15](#) (like this).

### Part A: Defining the Helper Function

First define the `numberify(word)` function. This function accepts a string message and returns an *uppercase version* of this message. Specific characters will be swapped out for numbers as so:

```
A → 4
E → 3
I → 1
S → 5
T → 7
O → 0
```

```
"""
Returns a numberified version of the passed in string word
"""
def numberify(word):
    # Code here
```

## Part B: Prompting for User Input

In the `main()`, prompt the user for a message to numberify. A word is numberified *only if* the word has a length greater than 3. You may assume each word will be separated by a single whitespace. You must use `numberify()` in your solution.

The following are examples of possible outputs:

```
Please enter a message to numberify: This message serves to
prove how our minds can do amazing things
Your numberified string is: 7H15 M3554G3 53RV35 TO PR0V3 HOW
OUR M1ND5 CAN DO 4M4Z1NG 7H1NG5
```

```
Please enter a message to numberify: In the beginning it was
hard but your mind is reading it automatically with out even
thinking about it
Your numberified string is: IN THE B3G1NN1NG IT WAS H4RD BUT
Y0UR M1ND IS R34D1NG IT 4U70M471C4LLY W17H OUT 3V3N 7H1NK1NG
```

## Problem 2: *Files Files Files*

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### Part A: *Decreasing Numbers*

Write a function named `decreasing_numbers` with two parameters, `filename` and `n`, that should write all the decreasing integers from `n` to 1 into a file (given by `filename`) in the format of exactly one integer on each line.

```
def decreasing_numbers(filename, n):
```

For example, a call to `decreasing_numbers('numbers.txt', 5)` would generate a text file named `numbers.txt` in the following format:

```
5
4
3
2
1
```

Here is a main function you can use to test:

```
def main():
    decreasing_numbers("numbers.txt", 5)
```

### Part B: *Square Them*

In a **new file**, write a function named `squared_numbers` with two parameters, `filename` and `outFile`, that should read from a file (given by `filename`) that has exactly one integer on each line, and write to another file `outFile` the squared of those integers. This written file should be in the same format of one integer per line.

You should use the file that you created in Part A to test your code. Make sure to check

that it exists first!

```
def squared_numbers(filename, outFile):
```

For example, a call to `squared_numbers('numbers.txt', 'num_squared.txt')` would generate a text file named `num_squared.txt` with the following contents:

```
25
16
9
4
1
```

Here is a main function you can use to test.

```
def main():
    squared_numbers("numbers.txt", "squaredNumbers.txt")
```

### Problem 3: *Roman Code (On a File!)*

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Read from the given file `roman_code_msg.txt`. Using your solution from Lab 6 Question 2: Roman Code, write the encoded message to a file named `secret_msg.txt`.

After execution, `secret_msg.txt` should look as follows:

```
Good luck on your midterms! You got this!
```

Use the following main code block to test your code:

```
def main():
    ROMAN_FILE = "roman_code_msg.txt"
    ROMAN_DECODED_FILE = "secret_msg.txt"
```

```
decode_roman_file(ROMAN_FILE, ROMAN_DECODED_FILE)
```

### Hints

- Take note of how the function `decode_roman_file()` is called in the `main()`. This should help give you an idea of what function you need to define.
- You should not have to modify your implementation for Roman Code. Calling `decode_entire_msg()` should be sufficient.
- Recall that `\n` characters exist at the end of each line in `roman_code_msg.txt`. These characters will offset the message decoding if not removed (or `strip()`-ped) first.
- Be careful to not accidentally strip whitespaces since removing them will offset the message decoding as well

## Problem 4: *Alphabet Soup*

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Create a file named `alphabet.txt` that will contain all letters of the alphabet as so:

```
a
b
c
...
y
z
```

*File contents have been shorthand for convenience.*

`alphabet.txt` could also be a file that already exists with an incomplete alphabet. Below is *one* example of how an incomplete `alphabet.txt` could look like:

```
a
b
c
```

In this case, you want to continue the alphabet from where the file last left off.

## Part A: Reading the Last Line of a File

To help with the case of handling a pre-existing `alphabet.txt`, one of the tasks we'd need to do is read the very last line with a character in the file. Implement the following function:

```
def get_last_char(filename):  
    """  
        Grabs the last alphabetic character of a pre-existing file  
        with content  
  
        :param filename: name of the file to grab the last  
        character from  
        :return: char present at the end of the character or None  
        otherwise  
    """
```

Be sure to still consider the possibility that the function is called on a file which does not exist in your current folder.

## Part B: Creating or Appending the Alphabet

Implement the function as shown below. Use `get_last_char()` in your implementation when handling the case of a pre-existing `alphabet.txt` file.

```
def alphabet_soup(filename):  
    """  
        Creates or continues an alphabet in file `alphabet.txt`.  
  
        :param filename: name of the file to create or continue the  
        alphabet in  
    """
```

You may use the following `main()` to test your code:

```
def main():
    ALPHABET_FILE = "alphabet.txt"

    alphabet_soup(ALPHABET_FILE)
```

Be sure to modify `alphabet.txt` as necessary to ensure your program can continue the alphabet from a pre-existing file.

## Problem 5: *Evil E's*

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For some reason, you have a lot of issues with the letter **E**. In fact, you despise the letter so much you wish to remove it from every single file you read. You are tasked with reading a file and removing all instances of **E** (both uppercase and lowercase).

First, implement the following helper function:

```
def remove_Es(msg):
    """
    Removes all instances of E (upper and lowercase) from a str

    :param msg: str to have Es removed from
    :return: str of msg with Es removed
    """
```

### Part A: *Writing to a New File*

For the first approach to this problem, create a new file where its contents are the same as the file provided `evil_es_msg.txt`. Be sure to use `remove_Es()` in your implementation:

```
def remove_Es_new_file(filename):
    """
    Creates a new file where all instances of E (upper and
    lowercase) from filename are removed

    :param filename: str of file to be read
    :return: bool True if operation was successful, False if
    unsuccessful
    """
```

Your new file should have the following content:

```
Lorm ipsum dolor sit amt, conscttur adipiscing lit, sd do
iusmod
tmpor incididunt ut labor t dolor magna aliqua.
Ut nim ad minim vniam, quis nostrud xrcitation
ullamco laboris nisi ut aliquip x a commodo consequat.
Duis aut irur dolor in rprhndrit in voluptat
vlit ss cillum dolor u fugiat nulla pariat.
xcptur sint occacat cupidatat non proident,
sunt in culpa qui officia dsrunt mollit anim id
st laborum
```

## **Part B: *Writing to the Same File***

For the second approach, implement a function similar to the one from Part A except you must overwrite the same file you are reading from:



```
def remove_Es_same_file(filename):
    """
    Updates filename file where all instances of E (upper and
    lowercase) are removed

    :param filename: str of file to be read
    :return: bool True if operation was successful, False if
    unsuccessful
    """
```

You may find it useful to create a copy of `evil_es_msg.txt` so you may still test your Part A with the original message.

You may test your program with the following `main()` block:

```
def main():
    EVIL_ES_MSG = "evil_es_msg.txt"
    EVIL_ES_COPY = "evil_es_copy.txt"    # A copy of the og
    message for testing purposes

    remove_Es_new_file(EVIL_ES_MSG)
    remove_Es_same_file(EVIL_ES_COPY)
```

Hints:

- Overwriting a file you are reading from can initially seem tricky depending on how you typically write to files. However, you can break this process into 2 steps where you first read the entire file and *then* overwrite the file.