

ENGG1811 Mid-term Examination

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Instructions

- (a) This exam consists of 4 questions. Questions are of equal value. Answer all questions.
- (b) Time allowed: 50 minutes.
- (c) Each question requires you to submit a separate Python program file for marking.
 - (i) You will be provided a submission link for each question.
 - (ii) Each question requires a specific filename and the submission system will only accept that particular filename.
 - (iii) Ensure that you **save** your file before submission.
 - (iv) If the submission system accepts your file, it will also display the contents of your submitted file. This allows you to check.
 - (v) You can submit at any time during the exam. There is a grace period at the end of the exam to allow you to make your final submissions.
 - (vi) Note that the grace period is only to be used for submission and not for corrections. We will monitor that.
 - (vii) We will only mark the last submission that you made.
- (d) For each question, an associated test file or testing code has been provided to help you to test your code. The testing code is **rudimentary** and is not thorough. The file or code is provided so that you can write your own tests. It is your responsibility to test your code thoroughly before submission.
- (e) You are allowed to consult lecture notes, books and materials on the web.
- (f) The exam will be un-supervised. You are expected to do the exam yourselves. No communications are allowed.

Question 1

You have a sensor reading which is stored in a Python variable `x` of float type. Your task is to write a Python code segment which determines a Python variable `output_string`, which is a variable of string type, based on the value of `x`. The table below shows the value of `output_string` for different values of `x`.

Value of <code>x</code>	Value of <code>output_string</code>
<code>x > 300</code>	<code>good-performance</code>
<code>-200 < x ≤ 300</code>	<code>need-monitoring</code>
<code>x ≤ -200</code>	<code>alert</code>

Requirements and testing:

- You must write the code segment in the template file `m1.py` provided. The submission system will only accept this filename.
- You must write your code segment to determine `output_string` between the two `#-*-*` lines in the file `m1.py`
- You must use the variable names `x` and `output_string`
- The string variable `output_string` can only take one of these three possibilities: `alert`, `need-monitoring` and `good-performance`
- The file `m1.py` contains a rudimentary test. You need to test your code for different values of `x` before submission.
- Make sure that you **save** your file before submission.

Question 2

Let x and y be two real numbers. Consider the mathematical functions $g(x, y)$ and $h(x, y)$:

$$\begin{aligned}g(x, y) &= \cos(x - y) \\h(x, y) &= \frac{x^4 + 1}{y(y + 2)}\end{aligned}$$

Your task is to write a Python function `m2_func`, which has two inputs and two outputs, and has the following `def` line:

```
def m2_func(x, y):
```

where you can assume the inputs `x` and `y` are variables of float type. You can associate the Python variables `x` and `y` with, respectively, the real numbers x and y . If you call the Python function with the following statement:

```
fg, fh = m2_func(x, y)
```

then the variables `fg` and `fh` should take on, respectively, the values of $g(x, y)$ and $h(x, y)$.

Requirements and testing:

- You must write the function `m2_func` in a file with the filename `m2.py`. The submission system will only accept this filename. A template file `m2.py` has been provided.
- The file `test_m2.py` contains a rudimentary test. You need to test your function for different values of `x` and `y` before submission. Note that you can assume that `y` will neither be 0 nor -2.
- You do not need to submit `test_m2.py`.
- Make sure that you **save** your file before submission.

Question 3

Your task is to write a Python code segment that works on a Python list of numbers. Assume that you are given a Python list with float type and we will refer to this list as `list_a`. Your program will use `list_a` to produce another Python list, which we will refer to as `list_b`. These two lists are expected to have the same length, and the entries of these two lists are related by:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{list_b}[0] &= \frac{\text{list_a}[0] - 1}{\text{list_a}[0] + 1} \\ \text{list_b}[1] &= \frac{\text{list_a}[1] - 1}{\text{list_a}[1] + 1} \\ \text{list_b}[2] &= \frac{\text{list_a}[2] - 1}{\text{list_a}[2] + 1} \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

For example, if `list_a[0]` equals to 1.5, then `list_b[0]` is $\frac{1.5-1}{1.5+1} = \frac{0.5}{2.5} = 0.2$.

Note that your Python code must be able to work with any Python list with the name `list_a`.

You can assume the entries of `list_a` are all of the float type. You can also assume that none of the entries in `list_a` has the value of `-1` so there is no division by zero.

Requirements and testing:

- You must write the code segment in the template file `m3.py` provided. The submission system will only accept this filename.
- You must write your code segment to calculate `list_b` from `list_a` between the two `#-*-*-*` lines in the file `m3.py`
- You must use the variable names `list_a` and `list_b`.
- The file `m3.py` prints the value returned by your function for the sample `list_a`, see the comments in the file. You need to manually check whether the returned value is correct or not. You need to test your code for different values of `list_a` before submission.
- Make sure that you **save** your file before submission.

Question 4

You are asked to write a Python code segment that performs calculations based a given list and a given scalar, which we will refer to as, respectively, `list_x` and `n`. You can assume that `n` is an integer greater than or equal to 1, and `list_x` is a list of numbers with at least `n` elements. Your code segment is required to do the following:

- (a) Perform these calculations:
 - (i) Determine the maximum of the last `n` elements in the list `list_x`
 - (ii) Determine the maximum of the last `2*n` elements in the list `list_x`
 - (iii) ...
 - (iv) Determine the maximum of the last `q*n` elements in the list `list_x` where `q` is the largest integer such that `q*n` is smaller than or equal to the number of entries in the given `list_x`.
- (b) Create a list which contains the maximums calculated above. The order in which these maximums appear in this list should be in the same order that they are calculated. You **MUST** assign this list to a variable with the name `list_max`.

As an example. Let us assume `n = 3` and

```
x_list = [19, -2, -15, 8, -9, 14, 7, -7, 12, 9, -6, 5, 3]
```

The following table illustrates the maximums that will be obtained:

	Elements of the list that are used to compute the maximum	Maximum of the elements in the second column
Last 3 (= <code>n</code>) elements	-6, 5, 3	5
Last 6 (= <code>2*n</code>) elements	-7, 12, 9, -6, 5, 3	12
Last 9 (= <code>3*n</code>) elements	-9, 14, 7, -7, 12, 9, -6, 5, 3	14
Last 12 (= <code>4*n</code>) elements	-2, -15, 8, -9, 14, 7, -7, 12, 9, -6, 5, 3	14

The variable `list_max` should be the list `[5, 12, 14, 14]`. Note that `q` is 4 in this example because `4 * 3` is less than or equal to the number of entries in the given `list_x`, but `5 * 3` is not.

Requirements and testing:

- You must write the code segment in the template file `m4.py` provided. The submission system will only accept this filename.
- You must write your code segment to calculate `list_max` from `list_x` and `n` between the two `#-*-*-*` lines in the file `m4.py`
- You must use the variable names `list_x`, `n` and `list_max`.
- The file `m4.py` contains three test cases which you can select by using the variable `test_num` in Line 14 of the file. The case where `test_num` is 0 corresponds to the example above.
- The file `m4.py` prints your computed `list_max` and the expected output so that you can manually check whether they are correct or not.
- *Hint:* A method is to use the `range()` function with 3 inputs but there are many other methods.
- Make sure that you **save** your file before submission.

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