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**Assignment A** Exponential series expansion

The exponential function  $e^x$  can be approximated by the following power series:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \frac{x^i}{i!}$$

where  $i!$  denotes the factorial of  $i$ , and  $N$  is the number of terms.

■ **Problem definition**

Create a function named `eseries` that takes as input  $x$  and  $N$ , and evaluates the above expression.

■ **Solution template**

```
function f = eseries(x, N)
% Insert your code
```

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**Input**

**x**             $x$ -value to evaluate the approximation (decimal number).  
**N**            Number of terms (positive whole number).

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**Output**

**f**            The approximation of the exponential function at  $x$  (decimal number).

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■ **Example**

Consider evaluating  $f(x)$  at  $x = 1.23$  with  $N = 5$  terms. The terms can be computed as (here shown with five decimals)

$i = 0$	$i = 1$	$i = 2$	$i = 3$	$i = 4$
1.00000	1.23000	0.75645	0.31014	0.09537

The sum can then computed as 3.39196 which is the final result.

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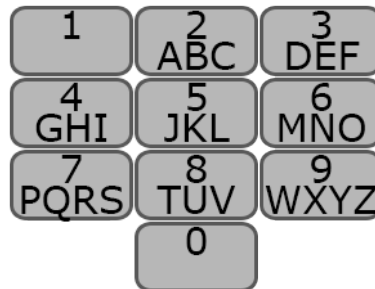
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function f = eseries(x, N)
    % x (decimal number) = point to evaluate
    % N (positive whole number) = number of terms
    v = 0:(N - 1);
    v = x.^v ./ (factorial(round(v)));
    f = sum(v);
end
```

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## Assignment B Alpha to phone number

On a phone keypad, each letter of the alphabet is assigned to one of the digits 2-9. This makes it possible to write alpha-numeric phone numbers using a mix of letters and digits (by replacing digits in the phone number by the corresponding letters).



### ■ Problem definition

Create a function named `alphaToPhone` that takes as input an alpha-numeric (letters and digits) phone number as a string, and returns the corresponding numeric (only digits) phone number as a string. You may assume that all letters in the input are given as upper case.

### ■ Solution template

```
function phone = alphaToPhone(alpha)
% Insert your code
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#### Input

`alpha` Alpha-numeric phone number (string containing letters and digits).

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#### Output

`phone` Numeric phone number (string containing only digits).

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### ■ Example

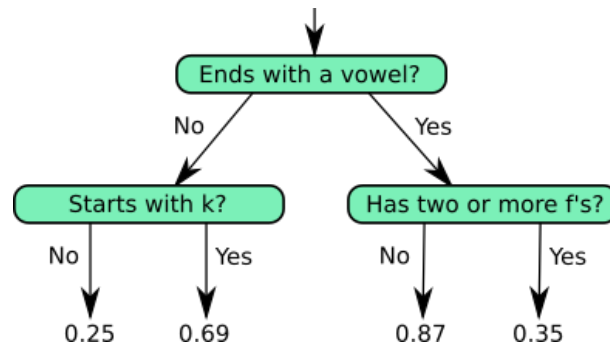
Consider the alpha-numeric phone number 4525DTU1. Converted to a numeric phone number, it should be 45253881.

```
function phone = alphaToPhone(alpha)
    % alpha (string) = letters and digits
    % phone (string) = only digits

    % numbers unchanged
    phone(alpha <= '9' & alpha >= '0') = alpha(alpha <= '9' & alpha >= '0');
    %letters converted
    phone(alpha >= 'A' & alpha <= 'C') = '2';
    phone(alpha >= 'D' & alpha <= 'F') = '3';
    phone(alpha >= 'G' & alpha <= 'I') = '4';
    phone(alpha >= 'J' & alpha <= 'L') = '5';
    phone(alpha >= 'M' & alpha <= 'O') = '6';
    phone(alpha >= 'P' & alpha <= 'S') = '7';
    phone(alpha >= 'T' & alpha <= 'V') = '8';
    phone(alpha >= 'W' & alpha <= 'Z') = '9';
end
```

## Assignment C Guess the gender

You are given a simple “decision tree” below that aims at predicting the gender of a person given his or her name.



The four numbers indicated at the possible outcomes are the probability that the given name is female.

### ■ Problem definition

Create a function named `genderGuess` that takes as input a name as a string and computes the probability that the name is female based on the decision tree above. You may assume that the input name consists only of lower case letters `a–z`. As vowels we consider the letters `a, e, i, o, u`, and `y`.

### ■ Solution template

```
function pFemale = genderGuess(name)
% Insert your code
```

#### Input

`name`      Name (string).

#### Output

`pFemale`    Probability that name is female (decimal number).

### ■ Example

Consider the name `affonso`. We start at the top of the decision tree. Since the name ends with a vowel, `o`, we go down to the right in the decision tree. Next, since the name contains two or more `f`'s, we go down to the right again. The final result, which can be read off by the arrow, is that the probability of a female name is 0.35.

```
function pFemale = genderGuess(name)
    % assumptions:
    % 1 - 'name' is lower case;
    % 2 - vowels: a, e, i , o, u, y;
    L = length(name);
    lt = name(L);
    if (lt == 'a' || lt == 'e' || lt == 'i' || lt == 'o' || lt == 'u' || lt == 'y')
        if (sum(name == 'f')) >= 2
            pFemale = 0.35;
        else
            pFemale = 0.87;
        end
    else
        if (name(1) == 'k')
            pFemale = 0.69;
        else
            pFemale = 0.25;
        end
    end
end
```

The so-called “birthday problem” consists of calculating the probability that at two (or more) people within a population of  $n$  people have the same birthday. This probability can be computed as:

$$P(n) = 1 - \exp(\ln\Gamma(k+1) - \ln\Gamma(k-n+1) - n \log(k))$$

where  $\log(\cdot)$  and  $\exp(\cdot)$  are the natural logarithm and exponential function, and  $\ln\Gamma(\cdot)$  is the so-called log-gamma function which is implemented in Matlab as the function `gammaln`. The number  $k$  is the number of days in a year, which we will set to  $k = 365$ , and we can assume that  $2 \leq n \leq k$ .

### ■ Problem definition

Create a function named `birthday` that takes as input the size of the population,  $n$ , and returns the probability  $P(n)$  that two (or more) people within the population have the same birthday.

### ■ Solution template

```
function P = birthday(n)
% Insert your code
```

#### Input

**n** The number of people in the population (positive whole number).

#### Output

**P** The probability that two (or more) persons have the same birthday (decimal number).

### ■ Example

Consider a population of size  $n = 23$ . The probability can be computed as follows (show with four decimals):

$$P(23) = 1 - \exp(\ln\Gamma(365+1) - \ln\Gamma(365-23+1) - 23 \log(365)) \quad (1)$$

$$= 1 - \exp(1792.3316 - 1657.3419 - 135.6976) \quad (2)$$

$$= 0.5073 \quad (3)$$

```
function P = birthday(n)
    % Assume k <= n <= 2
    %  $P(n) = 1 - \exp((\text{gammaln}(k+1)) - \text{gammaln}(k-n+1) - n \cdot \ln(k))$ 
    % k = 365

    % n (positive whole number) = n. of people in a population
    % P (decimal number) = probability of >= 2 persons have same birthday
    k = 365;
    P = 1 - exp((gammaln(k + 1)) - gammaln(k - n + 1) - n*log(k));
end
```



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## Assignment E Matrix search

You are given a matrix of whole numbers, where both the rows and the columns are sorted in increasing order. For example, the matrix could look as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 7 & 7 & 13 \\ 7 & 9 & 11 & 14 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let us denote the matrix  $A$ , its dimensions  $M \times N$ , and its elements  $a_{i,j}$ . The following algorithm is an efficient way of finding out if and where a specific number,  $x$ , occurs in the matrix:

1. Start at the top right corner of the matrix,  $i = 1, j = N$ .
2. Examine the number  $a_{i,j}$ :
  - (a) If  $a_{i,j} = x$  you are done. Return the result  $[i, j]$ .
  - (b) Else, if  $a_{i,j} > x$  go one step to the left,  $j \leftarrow j - 1$ .
  - (c) Else, if  $a_{i,j} < x$  go one step down,  $i \leftarrow i + 1$ .
3. If you are within the matrix, i.e.  $i \leq M$  and  $j > 0$ , repeat from 2. Otherwise, return the result  $[0, 0]$ .

### ■ Problem definition

Create a function named `matrixSearch` that takes as input a matrix  $A$  as described above and a number  $x$  to search for in the matrix. The function must return a vector of the coordinates  $[i, j]$  of the first occurrence of  $x$  as found by the algorithm above. If  $x$  does not occur in the matrix, the function must return the vector  $[0, 0]$ .

### ■ Solution template

```
function index = matrixSearch(A, x)
% Insert your code
```

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#### Input

<b>A</b>	Row and column sorted matrix ( $M \times N$ ) with whole numbers.
<b>x</b>	Number to search for (whole number).

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#### Output

<b>index</b>	Row and column coordinates of the found number (vector of length 2). Return $[0, 0]$ if the number does not occur in the matrix.
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### ■ Example

Consider the matrix shown above where  $M = 3$  and  $N = 4$ , and let us look for the number  $x = 7$ . We start at the top right corner at  $a_{1,4} = 10$ . Since  $10 > x$  we move left to  $a_{1,3} = 6$ . Since  $6 < x$  we move down to  $a_{2,3} = 7$ . Since this is equal to  $x$ , we return the result  $[2, 3]$ .

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```
function index = matrixSearch(A, x)
    % A = matrix of whole numbers, MxN
    % Both Cols and Rows sorted in increasing order
    % index = vector 1x2 = coordinates of x in A
    [M, N] = size(A);

    % start: upper right corner (1,N)
    i = 1;
    j = N;
    % if a = x -> return it
    % if a > x -> one coloumn to the left (j = j - 1)
    % if a < x -> one row down (i = i + 1)
    % if i <= M and j > 0 repeat, otherwise return [0,0]
    while ((i <= M) && (j > 0))
        if (A(i,j) == x)
            index = [i, j];
            return
        elseif(A(i,j) > x)
            j = j - 1;
        elseif(A(i,j) < x)
            i = i + 1;
        end
    end
    index = [0, 0];
end
```