## HOMEWORK 4

**Problem 1.** Determine the output of the following code:

```
(1) my_str = 'The cat in the hat'
   print(my_str[0:3])
(2) my_str = 'The cat in the hat'
   print(my_str[3:7])
(3) my_str = 'http://reddit.com/r/python'
   print(my_str[17:-2])
(4) my_str = 'http://reddit.com/r/python'
   protocol = 'http://'
   print(my_str[len(protocol):])
```

**Problem 2.** Write a function called odd\_sum(a\_list) that takes a list of integers as an input. The function will return the sum of all odd numbers in the list. For example

```
odd_sum([-1, 2, -4, 3, 5])
```

should return 7.

**Problem 3.** Write a function called count\_string(a\_list) that takes a list and returns the number of strings in the list. For example

```
count_string(["Hello", 4, "5", 5.5])
```

should return 2 since there are two strings in this list.

**Problem 4.** Write a function print\_characters(s) that takes a string and prints each vowel character on a new line.

**Problem 5.** Write a function called first\_equal\_last(string) that takes a string as a string as input and returns True if the first and last characters of this string are the same. Otherwise, return False. For example,

```
first_equal_last("hello")
should return False while
first_equal_last("dad")
should return True.
```

**Problem 6.** Write a function called print\_even\_length(a\_list) that takes a list of strings as input and prints out all strings with odd lengths in the list. For example

```
print_even_length(['apple', 'orange', 'banana'])
```

should print out 'apple' since it is the only string with odd length.

**Problem 7.** Write a function called numeric\_sum(a\_list) that takes a list as input and returns the sum of all numeric values in the list (a numeric value could be either an integer or a floating number). For example

```
numeric_sum(["Hello", 5, 6.1, "Apple"])
should return 11.1
```

**Problem 8.** Write a function print\_reverse(s) that takes a string and prints each character in reverse order, starting from the last character and ending with the first. For example

```
print_reverse("test")
```

should print t, s, e,t in that order.

**Problem 9.** Write a function named longest\_string(a\_list) that takes a list of strings as input and returns the longest string from the list. If there are multiple strings of the same length, return the one that appears first. For example

```
longest_string(["Python", "is", "so", "fun", "and", "awesome"])
should return "awesome".
```

**Problem 10.** Write a function substring(s, start, end) that takes a string s and two indices start and end, and returns the substring of s from index start to end (inclusive). For example

```
substrings ("Python is awesome", 1, 10) should return "ython is a".
```

**Problem 11.** Write a function remove\_first\_and\_last(s) that takes a string s and returns a new string with the first and last characters removed. For example

```
remove_first_and_last("banana")
```

should return "anan". Recall that we can use a negative index to slice a string.

**Problem 12.** Write a program that asks a user for their name and then prints the first letter of their name.

**Problem 13.** Write a function called middle\_character(s) that returns the middle character(s) of the string s. If the length of s is odd, return the middle character. If the length of s is even, return the two middle characters.

For example:

```
middle_character("mango")
should return 'n' and
middle_character("orange")
should return 'an'.
```

**Problem 14.** Write a function find\_index(a\_string, char) that returns the index of the last occurrence of char in the string a\_string. For example, find\_index("banana", "a") should return 5.

**Problem 15.** Write a function called name\_end\_with\_y(a\_list) that takes a list of names as input and returns the number of names that end with the letter y.

For example called name\_end\_with\_y(['Jenny', 'John', 'Amy']) should return 2.

**Problem 16.** Create a function named count that accepts a string and a letter as arguments, then returns the count of that letter in the string. For example, if the function call was count ("banana", "a") it would return 3.

**Problem 17.** Write a function  $num_digits(n)$  that will return the number of digits in an integer n. Hint: Convert n into a string.

**Problem 18.** Write a Python function sum\_of\_digits(n) that takes an integer n and returns the sum of its digits. For example, sum\_of\_digits(132) should return 6.

## Problem 19.

- (1) Given area\_code = 60045, format it as "area\_code: 60045".
- (2) Given invoice\_number = 3456, format it with the prefix "INV-" so it appears as "INV-3456".
- (3) Given name = "John Doe" and title = "Dr.", format it as "Dr. John Doe".

**Problem 20.** A palindrome word is a word that reads the same forwards and backward. For example, "radar", "level", "Dad" are palindrome while "hello" is not. Write a program that takes a word and check if it is a palindrome. Note that "Dad" works because we don't distinguish between uppercase and lowercase characters.