

**Assignment Guidelines:**

- This assignment covers material up to Module 5 slide 28.
- Submission details:
  - Solutions to these questions must be placed in files `a05q1.py`, `a05q2.py`, `a05q3.py`, and `a05q4.py`, respectively, and must be completed using Python 3.
  - Download the interface file from the course Web page to ensure that all function names are spelled correctly and each function has the correct number and order of parameters.
  - All solutions must be submitted to MarkUs. No solutions will be accepted through email, even if you are having issues with MarkUs.
  - Verify using MarkUs and your basic test results that your files were properly submitted and are readable on MarkUs.
  - For full style marks, your program must follow the Python section of the CS116 Style Guide.
  - Be sure to review the Academic Integrity policy on the Assignments page
  - Helper functions need design recipe elements but not examples and tests.
- Download the testing module from the course web page. Include `import check` in each solution file.
  - When a function produces a floating point value, you *must* use `check.within` for your testing. Unless told otherwise, you may use a tolerance of 0.00001 in your tests.
  - Test data for all questions will always meet the stated assumptions for consumed values.
- Restrictions:
  - Do not import any modules other than `math` and `check`.
  - You are always allowed to define your own helper functions, as long as they meet the assignment restrictions. Do **not** use Python constructs from later modules (e.g. loops) or the command `zip`. Use only the functions and methods as follows:
    - \* `abs`, `len`, `max` and `min`
    - \* Any method or constant in the `math` module
    - \* Type casting including `int()`, `str()`, `float()`, `bool()`, `list()`
    - \* The command `type()`
    - \* Any basic arithmetic operation (including `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `//`, `%`, `**`)
    - \* Any basic logical operators (`not`, `and`, `or`)
    - \* String or list slicing and indexing as well as string or list operations using the operators above and any methods.
    - \* `input` and `print` as well as the formatting parameter `end` and method `format`. Note that all prompts must match exactly in order to obtain marks so ensure that you do not alter these prompts.
    - \* `Map`, `filter` and `lambda` functions.
  - Do not mutate any passed parameters unless instructions dictate otherwise.
  - While you may use global *constants* in your solutions, **do not** use global *variables* for anything other than testing.
  - Read each question carefully for additional restrictions.
  - **The solutions you submit must be entirely your own work. Do not look up either full or partial solutions on the Internet or in printed sources.**

## 1 Word growth

Write a function

`grow_word(s)`

that consumes a string `s` and returns a string where every letter of `s` has been repeated a specified number of times according to its position in the original string `s` plus one. For example, the word `bet` would have the `b` repeated once, the `e` repeated twice and the `t` repeated thrice.

Sample

```
grow_word("banana") => "baannnaaaannnnnaaaaaa"
```

You must use abstract list functions to solve this problem. Recursion is prohibited.

## 2 Benford's Law

When trying to determine whether or not data is being forged, Benford's Law can be used to help determine if a distribution of the numbers appears random. A collection of numbers is said to satisfy Benford's law if and only if the proportion  $p_d$  of the leading digits  $d$  satisfies

$$p_d = \log_{10} \left( \frac{d+1}{d} \right)$$

that is,  $p_d$  is the base 10 logarithm of  $d+1$  divided by  $d$ , for each value of  $d$  from 1 to 9. Translated, this means that non-zero numbers should have roughly  $p_1 = \log_{10}((1+1)/1) \approx 0.301$  or 30.1% of the numbers beginning with a 1,  $p_2 = \log_{10}((2+1)/2) \approx 0.176$  or 17.6% of the numbers beginning with a 2 and so on.

Your job is to write a function:

`obey_benford(L)`

that consumes a list of positive integers and determines whether or not the leading digits fall in a distribution that is within a tolerable distance from the actual data. To quantify what is a tolerable distance, statisticians use something called the  $\chi^2$  test which we simplify here for our purposes. Let  $n$  be the length of the list of numbers and let  $a_d$  be the total number of values in the list with leading digit  $d$ . For each of the values  $d$  from 1 to 9, compute

$$\frac{(a_d - n \cdot p_d)^2}{n \cdot p_d}$$

(namely, the squared difference of  $a_d$  minus  $n$  times  $p_d$  all divided by  $n$  times  $p_d$ ) and sum up these 9 values. It is this value that you are returning and you should check to within a tolerance of 0.00001.<sup>1</sup>

As a sample, if your list of numbers was `L = [1, 2, 1337]`, then you would return

$$\frac{(2 - 3p_1)^2}{3p_1} + \frac{(1 - 3p_2)^2}{3p_2} + 3p_3 + 3p_4 + 3p_5 + 3p_6 + 3p_7 + 3p_8 + 3p_9 = 3.322195322272341\dots$$

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Sample:

```
L = [1, 2, 1337]
```

```
obey_benford(L) => 3.322195322272341
```

```
L = [1] * 301 + [2] * 176 + [3] * 125 + [4] * 97 + [53] * 79 \
      + [6] * 67 + [7] * 58 + [8] * 51 + [96] * 46
```

```
obey_benford(L) => 0.002362217189127143
```

<sup>1</sup>Note in practice, if this value is less than or equal to 15.507, the data is said to be within a tolerable distance to random data. The 15.507 comes from the 8 degrees of freedom we have in this problem and from standard  $\chi^2$  distribution tables.

### 3 Products

Write a function

`num_zeroes(L)`

that consumes a list of integers  $L$  and returns the following value. First let  $p$  be the product of all values in  $L$ . This function will return the number of zeroes at the end of the number  $p$ . Note that an empty product has a value of 1 (and 1 does not end in any zeroes) and if the above product is 0 then you should return 1. All helper functions in this problem must use accumulative recursion. You are forbidden from using abstract list functions.

Sample:

```
num_zeroes([2, 5, 6, 100]) => 3
```

### 4 Recamán's Function

Recamán's function is defined on the natural numbers as follows:

$$r(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ r(n-1) - n & \text{if } n > 0 \text{ and } r(n-1) - n \geq 0 \text{ and} \\ & r(i) \neq r(n-1) - n \text{ for any } 0 \leq i < n \\ r(n-1) + n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

If we think of this as a sequence, then the above can be reworded as follows: every  $n$ th term is equal to the previous term minus  $n$  if this is positive and hasn't already appeared in the sequence yet and is equal to the previous term plus  $n$  otherwise. Below is a table with the first few terms:

$n$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$r(n)$	0	1	3	6	2	7	13

For example, to compute  $r(3)$ , notice that  $r(2) = 3$  and  $r(2) - 3 = 0$  which is equal to  $r(0)$  and hence, we make  $r(3) = r(2) + 3 = 6$ . Write a function

`recaman(n)`

that returns  $r(n)$ .

Sample:

```
recaman(0) => 0
```

```
recaman(6) => 13
```

You must use accumulative recursion to solve this problem. You are forbidden from using abstract list functions.