Lab Sheet 2

For loops and if statements

- 1. Write a program that reads an integer from the users. Then your program should display a message indicating whether the integer is odd or even. (Hint: the % operator may come in handy.)
- 2. It is commonly said that one human year equates to seven dog years. However this fails to recognize that dogs reach adulthood in approximately two years. As a result, some believe that it is better to count each of the first two human years as 10.5 dog years and then count each additional year as 4 dog years. Write a program that implements the conversion from human years to dog years as described above.
- 3. A quadratic function has the form $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$, where a, b and c are constants and a is nonzero. The real roots of this equation can be found using the formula

$$\frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

If the square root is zero the equation has a single root and if it is negative the equation has no (real) roots. Write a program that computes the real roots of a quadratic function. Your program should begin by prompting the user for the values of a, b and c. Then it should display a message indicating how many roots it has along with the values of those roots (if any).

4. Write a Python program that asks the user to enter a non-negative integer and that outputs the factorial of that number. Recall that the factorial of n (denoted n!) is defined as follows:

$$n! = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot (n-2) \cdot \cdot \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

Do not use the math.factorial function and do not use lists.

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5. The non-trivial factors of a positive integer n are those integers, other than 1 and n, that divide evenly into it. The factors of 10 are 2 and 5, those of 28 are 2, 4, 7 and 14. Some numbers such as 2, 3 or 7 (the primes) have no nontrivial factors. Write a program that prints out the non trivial factors for every number from 2 to 100 inclusive. Each number in that range should appear on a line of its own followed by a colon followed by a space-separated list of its non-trivial factors, if any e.g.

Note that normally a print(...) displays a complete line, any subsequent print displaying on the line(s) below. The print(...,end = "") variant displays material on the current line of output, while ensuring the next print continues on the same line.

6. Write a Python program that requests the user to enter a real number x and that calculates and prints an approximation of the quantity e^x based on the first hundred terms of the infinite sum

$$e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!}$$

Recall that k! denotes the factorial of k. Do not use the math.factorial function. Hint: It should not be necessary to compute each term in the sum from scratch.