

## Assignment #4

## The 'range' Function

Write definitions for each of the following Python functions, and for each function, include a clear and concise comment to describe its purpose. Use *only* the Python topics covered so far in class.

1. `Power( x, n )`

The number 'x' raised to the power of the non-negative integer 'n'

(do *not* use the Python operator '\*\*' here)

`Power( 2, 4 )`  $\Rightarrow$  16

`Power( -2, 3 )`  $\Rightarrow$  -8

`Power( 7, 0 )`  $\Rightarrow$  1

`Power( 0, 0 )`  $\Rightarrow$  1 (differs from mathematical definition)

`Power( 0, 3 )`  $\Rightarrow$  0

`Power( 1.5, 2 )`  $\Rightarrow$  2.25

2. `SmallestFactor( n )`

The smallest positive factor (apart from 1) of the integer 'n', where  $n \geq 2$

`SmallestFactor( 15 )`  $\Rightarrow$  3

`SmallestFactor( 17 )`  $\Rightarrow$  17

3. `PrintPrimesBelow( limit )`

Print all prime numbers below the integer 'limit'

(a positive integer is a *prime number* if it has no positive factors, apart from 1 and itself)

`PrintPrimesBelow( 20 )`  $\Rightarrow$  2

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`PrintPrimesBelow( 2 )`  $\Rightarrow$  (no output)

Program Submission:

Store the function definitions in a file named 'a04.py', and turn it in for grading by typing:

`submit-cs1117 a04.py`

Due Date: Fri Oct 9, 11:00am