Python Exercises - Part I

Python and R for Data Science

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Exercise 1: sum of two integers

- 1. Define two variables a and b with initial values 10 and 12, respectively.
- 2. Define the variable c as the sum of a and b
- 3. Print c

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In [58]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [60]: try: assert c == (a + b) and c == 22 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 2: area of a triangle

- 1. Compute the area of a triangle with:
 - base: 5.0
 - height: 7.0
- 2. Store the result in the variable area
- 3. Print the area

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In [61]: # Solution goes here
```

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [63]: try: assert area == 17.5 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 3: volume of a cube

- 1. Compute the volume of a cube with side equal to 8.0
- 2. Store the result in the variable volume
- 3. Print the area

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In [64]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [66]: try: assert volume == 512 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 4: compute equation

- 1. Define:
 - x equal to 10
 - y equal to 20
- 2. Compute the result of:

$$\frac{(x-4)^3+5}{4\cdot (y\mod 3)}$$

- 3. Store the result in the variable result
- 4. Print the result

In [67]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [69]: try: assert result == 27.625 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 5: count characters

- 1. Define the string s equal to Bazinga!
- 2. Count the number of characters in s (without using a loop!) and store the result in the variable length
- 3. Print length

In [70]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [72]: try: assert length == 8 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 6: concatenate strings

- 1. Define one string s1 with the content Francesco
- 2. Define one string s2 with the content (one space)
- 3. Define one string s3 with the content Totti
- 4. Concatenate s1, s2, and s3 into s4
- 5. Print the concatenated string s4

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In [73]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

```
In [75]: try: assert s4 == "Francesco Totti" and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 7: get the last three chars from a string

- 1. Define the string s1 with the content Totti
- 2. Extract the last three characters of s1 into s2
- 3. Print the string s2

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In [76]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [78]: try: assert s2 == "tti" and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 8: convert types

- 1. Define the integer n1 equal to 10
- 2. Define the string s1 equal to "20.5"
- 3. Convert n1 and s1 to float and then sum the two values into f1
- 4. Print f1

In [79]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [81]:
try: type(s1) == str and type(n1) == int and f1 == 30.5 and not print("Test passe
except: print('Test failed')
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Exercise 9: largest average of two sequences

- 1. Define the numbers a1, a2, and a3 with values equal to 10, 12, 8, respectively
- 2. Define the numbers b1, b2, and b3 with values equal to 7, 10, 18, respectively
- 3. Compute the average of:
 - a1, a2, and a3 into avg_a
 - b1, b2, and b3 into avg_b
- 4. Conditionally define the string s to be equal to:
 - if avg_a is larger than avg_b: Sequence A is on average larger than sequence B
 - if avg_b is smaller than avg_b: Sequence A is on average smaller than sequence B
 - otherwise: The two sequences have the same average
- 5. Print avg_a, avg_b, s

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In [82]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [84]: try: assert round(avg_a, 1) == 10.0 and round(avg_b, 1) == 11.7 and s == "Sequence except: print('Test failed')
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Exercise 10: perfect square

- 1. Define the numbers n1 and n3 with values equal to 9 and 12, respectively
- 2. Check whether these numbers are *perfect squares*:

In mathematics, a square number or perfect square is an integer that is the square of an integer; in other words, it is the product of some integer with itself.

Store the result of the checks in <code>is_n1_perfect_square</code> and <code>is_n2_perfect_square</code>

3. Print is_n1_perfect_square and is_n2_perfect_square

In [85]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [87]: try: assert is_n1_perfect_square and not is_n2_perfect_square and not print("Test
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 11: count digits

- 1. Define the integer n1 equal to 123450
- 2. Using a loop, count the number of digits in n1 and store the result in ndigits
- 3. print ndigits

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In [88]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [90]: try: assert ndigits == 6 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 12: quotient and remainder by hand

- 1. Define the integer n1 equal to 123450
- 2. Define the integer n2 equal to 57
- 3. Using a loop, without using the / and/or // and/or % operators, compute the quotient q and the remainder r of the integer division of n1 by n2
- 4. print r and q

In [91]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [93]: try: assert q == int(n1/n2) and r == (n1 % n2) and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 13: sum of the first n numbers

- 1. Define the integer n equal to 100
- 2. Using a loop compute the sum of the first n numbers (starting from 1), storing the result into s
- 3. print s

In [94]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [96]: try: assert s == 5050 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
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Exercise 14: sum of the prime numbers

- 1. Define the integer n equal to 100
- 2. Using a loop compute the sum of prime numbers up to n, storing the result into s
- 3. print s

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In [97]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [99]: try: assert s == 1060 and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
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Exercise 15: prefixes of a string

- 1. Define the string s equal to The Big Bang Theory
- 2. Create the empty list p
- 3. Using a loop, add all prefixes of s to p (note: The Big Bang Theory is a prefix of The Big Bang Theory)
- 4. print p

In [100]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [102]:
try: assert sorted(p) == ['T', 'Th', 'The', 'The ', 'The B', 'The Bi', 'The Big',
except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 16: check postfixes of a string

- 1. Define the string s equal to The Big Bang Theory
- 2. Define the list p equal to ["y", "ry", "ery", ""]
- 3. Remove from p any string that is not a postfix of s (note: "" is a postfix of s)
- 4. print p

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In [103]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution:

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In [105]: try: assert p == ['y', 'ry', ''] and not print("Test passed")
    except: print('Test failed')
```

Exercise 17: max of a list

Define a function max_from_list that:

- takes as arguments a list of integers
- returns:
 - if the list is not empty: the maximum value in the list
 - otherwise: None

Do not use the built-in function max in this exercise.

In [106]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [108]: try: max_from_list([]) == None and max_from_list([1, 2, 3]) == 3 and not print("T
except: print('Test failed')
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Exercise 19: prime numbers

Define a function is_prime that:

- takes as arguments a list L of positive integers
- returns:
 - if the list is not empty: a new list where the i-th element is a boolean asserting whether the i-th element from L is a prime number
 - otherwise: []

In [109]: # Solution goes here

Run this code to test your solution:

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In [111]: try: assert is_prime([]) == [] and is_prime([3, 4, 9, 11]) == [True, False, False
    except: print('Test failed')
Test passed
```

Exercise 20: word frequency

Define a function count_freq that:

- takes as arguments:
 - a string s
 - a list L of words
- returns:
 - if the list is not empty: a new list where the i-th element is the number of occurences in s of the i-th word from L
 - otherwise: []

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In [112]: # Solution goes here
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Run this code to test your solution: