

Python programming exercises

1. Read the time in HH:MM:SS format (e.g. 12:34:56) from keyboard and extract the hours, minutes and seconds using the split method. Convert the values to `int`
2. Write a loop, which prints the area and volume of spheres with radii from 2 to 20 in steps of 2 (with a bit of explanation, of course).

$$\begin{aligned}A &= 4\pi r^2 \\ V &= \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3\end{aligned}$$

3. Write a loop, which reads three numbers from the keyboard and prints the sum and the average at the end.
4. Write a function which calculates the volume of a sphere as $V = \frac{4}{3}R^3$ with radius R . Write another function which calculates the volume of the sphere as $V = \frac{4}{3}\left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^3$ with diameter D . Values should be returned to the main program.

Read in a value then read in a string containing either `r` or `d` and use an `if ...else ...` block to call the appropriate functions and print out the result.

5. Embed the main program from 4 into a while loop, which stops execution if a string other than `r` or `d` is entered.
6. Write and call a function, which computes the value of the factorial of n .

$$n! = 1 \times 2 \times 3 \times \dots \times n$$

7. Assign the string `University of Hertfordshire` to a variable. Use indexing to extract
 - (a) the `y`
 - (b) the `H`
 - (c) the last `e` using the minus notation.
 - (d) Use slicing to extract `Hertfordshire`.
8. Create a list with five different textstrings (e.g. a shopping list).
 - (a) Extract and print the fourth item using indexing.
 - (b) Extract and print the second and third item using slicing.
 - (c) Replace the last item in the list with a new entry.
 - (d) Continuing with this list append an entry to this list. Then sort the list. Print the result.