CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

COURSE OF COMPUTER SCIENCE LABORATORY PRACTICE n. 8

Exercise 1 (1 point):

Write down a Python program which:

- Reads from the keyboard two positive integer numbers, representing the numerator and the denominator of a fraction.
- Simplifies the fraction as much as possible.
- Prints out the obtained faction, in the format num/den.

Suggestion: The fraction can be minimized by dividing the numerator and the denominator by their greatest common divider. Implement a function for finding such a value: the function should have prototype int gcd(int n1, int n2);, that is, it receives the two numbers we want two analyze as parameters and returns their greatest common divider as result.

Example: The following is a possible execution example (underlined text is introduced by the user):

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Input numerator : \frac{12}{18}
Input denominator: \frac{18}{18}
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Result: 12/18 = 2/3

Exercise 2 (2 points):

Write down a Python function which receives an integer value *n* as parameter and returns a "Boolean" value (i.e., an integer assuming only values 1 for representing "true" and 0 for "false") according to the fact that the number is prime or not. Exploit this function for implementing a program which:

- Reads from the keyboard a positive integer value m.
- Prints out all the prime numbers smaller than or equal to m.

Example: The following is a possible execution example (underlined text is introduced by the user):

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Input m: \underline{15}
The prime numbers <= 15 are: 2 3 5 7 11 13
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Exercise 3 (3 points):

Write down a Python program which, once an integer value y has been read in from the keyboard, computes and displays the largest integer value x such that $x^x < y$. Solve this problem by implementing, and properly using, a function with prototype int $n_exp_n(int n)$; which computes (and returns) the value n^n without using the standard pow function.

Example: The following is a possible execution example (underlined text is introduced by the user):

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Input y: 650
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Exercise 4 (3 points):

Write down a Python program in order to:

- Read an integer value n from the keyboard.
- Display on screen the graphical representation of an empty array made up of N elements (N being a predefined constant), where each cell is shown as a $n \times n$ square of blanks, as detailed in the following example.

For solving this exercise, implement and properly recall two functions:

- 1. void boundary(int n);
 - it displays an entire line like the first (and last) line of the scheme to print.
- 2. void internal(int n);
 - it displays an entire line like the other ones appearing in the scheme.

Example: let $\mathbb{N} = 5$ and assume that the user introduces value 3 for n. Then, the following "figure" must be obtained:



Finally, modify the program in order to allow the user to choose the number of elements of the array (instead of considering a constant number of cells, use another variable to store this value: this variable must be then passed to both the functions above).

Example: The following is a possible execution example (underlined text is introduced by the user):