

Question 1. True or False

Circle **T** if the statement is true, otherwise circle **F** if the statement is false.

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| 1. Dynamically-typed languages do not perform type checking. | T | F |
| 2. In Python, the <code>pass</code> statement has no semantic significance. | T | F |
| 3. In C++, the expression <code>7 / 3 == 2</code> is evaluated to true. | T | F |
| 4. Let <code>a</code> be a variable of type <code>list</code> , then <code>a.append(5)</code> will return a new list with the element 5 added to the end of the new list. | T | F |
| 5. Using lazy iterators (instead of non-lazy iterators) improves the performance (speed) of the program. | T | F |

Question 2. Multiple Choices

Pick all answer(s) that are correct.

- a) Which of the following statements are true about immutable objects?
- i. All methods and operators that return an immutable object will always make a new object.
 - ii. It is safe to have aliases to immutable objects.
 - iii. Immutable containers cannot have references to mutable ones (e.g. a tuple containing a list).
 - iv. In Python, literals are, by definition, immutable objects.
 - v. In general, operations on immutable objects are less efficient than their mutable counterparts (e.g. tuple vs. list)

- b) Which of the following is true about the assignment operator in Python?
- i. It is a statement.
 - ii. It is an expression.
 - iii. In chained assignment, the expression on the right hand side is only evaluated once.
 - iv. It is always done by reference.
 - v. It is illegal to assign an existing variable to a value of a different type.

Question 3. Short Questions

- a) What slice of the word "washington" will give the result of "ogisw"? (Give answer in the form `[i:j:k]`)

- b) What's the output of this program? (Try to do this by hand)

```
for t in enumerate(range(5, 0, -1)):
    print("%d-%d"%t, end=" ")
```

Question 4. Programming Questions

- a) Complete a short Python script such that it will sort each character in ASCII order for the string variable `input`, and store the result in a variable named `output`. Bonus mark is given if you can do it in one line of Python code.

```
input = "incommodious"
```

```
# process input here
```

```
# should print "cdiimmnoosu"  
print(output)
```

b) A CSV file allows data to be saved in tabular form. For each row, items are separated by the comma character. For example, this table,

4	8	15
16	23	42

can be written into a CSV file that looks like this:

```
csv = "4, 8, 15 \n 16, 23, 42 \n"
```

Assume there are only numbers in your table, process the `csv` variable such that you get a two-dimensional list that looks like this:

```
[[4, 8, 15], [16, 23, 42]]
```

Note: use the `int()` function to convert string to integer (e.g. `int("12")` will return the integer 12).

Stores the result in a variable named `output`. You may not assume how many rows and columns there are in the table.

- c) In a Python script, approximate Euler's number, e , using the infinite series:

$$e = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!}$$

up to N terms. For example, if N is 4 then e is 2.6666666666666665.