

TMTplus Introduction to Scientific Programming

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Answers 3

Conditionals

Ex 3.2

Explanation of the code:

code lines	predicted output	explanation
<pre>def is_even(x): return x % 2 == 0</pre>	No output	<p>The first two lines define the <code>is_even</code> function. This function takes one number as argument and then returns the result as <code>True</code> or <code>False</code>, depending on the result of the comparison: <code>x % 2 == 0</code></p> <p>This comparison is the even test. First it computes the remainder of the argument value by 2 and then checks if that remainder is 0 or not. If the remainder is 0 then the comparison is <code>True</code> otherwise is <code>False</code>.</p>
<pre>a = is_even(22) print(a)</pre>	<code>True</code>	<p>The first line assigns the result of the function <code>is_even</code> with the argument value of 22 to the variable <code>a</code>.</p> <p>The second lines prints the variable.</p>
<pre>b = is_even(21) print(b)</pre>	<code>False</code>	<p>A similar procedure is done for variable <code>b</code> with argument value of 21.</p>

Ex 3.3 The return statement stops the execution of a function and returns a value from that function. In python if there is no return statement in the function python will return None in the end of the function.

Ex 3.4 A Python script that reports a pass or fail depending on given mark.

```
mark = int(input("What is the mark? "))
if mark >= 55:
    result = "pass"
else:
    result = "fail"
print(result)
```

Ex 3.5 A Python script that reports a pass, fail or excellent depending on given mark.

```
mark = int(input("What is the mark? "))
category = ""
if mark >= 55:
    result = "pass"
    if mark < 80:
        category = "average"
    else:
        category = "exceptional"
else:
    result = "fail"
print(result, category)
```

Ex 3.6 A Python script as a function called day_of_week() that maps the number of the week to a string using nested conditionals:

```
def day_of_week(n):
    if n == 0:
        print("Monday")
    else:
        if n == 1:
            print("Tuesday")
        else:
            if n == 2:
                print("Wednesday")
            else:
                if n == 3:
                    print("Thursday")
                else:
                    if n == 4:
                        print("Friday")
                    else:
                        if n == 5:
                            print("Saturday")
                        else:
                            if n == 6:
                                print("Sunday")
```

```
        else:
            print("Error!")

a = int(input("What is the day? "))
day_of_week(a)
```

A Python script as a function called `day_of_week()` that maps the number of the week to a string using chained conditionals: **Ex 3.7**

```
def day_of_week(n):
    if n == 0:
        print("Monday")
    elif n == 1:
        print("Tuesday")
    elif n == 2:
        print("Wednesday")
    elif n == 3:
        print("Thursday")
    elif n == 4:
        print("Friday")
    elif n == 5:
        print("Saturday")
    elif n == 6:
        print("Sunday")
    else:
        print("value not correct")

a = int(input("What is the day? "))
day_of_week(a)
```