

# Computing Basic

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## 1 The file

There is a file in Campus Virtual (`dialCodes.json`) containing dial and phone codes in JSON format for almost any country in the world.

The format of the file is very simple:

1. Starts with `[` ends with `]` and contains one line per country enclosed in `{ }`
2. Each line consists of pairs of field name and field value. Each pair is separated from the next by `,` and field name and field value are separated by `:`
3. The field names are: `name`, `dial_code` and `code`
4. Country names may contain alphabetic characters, blanks and some other printable characters as `(, )`, accent marks, `-` and `'`. Dial code values consist of `+` plus some digit characters. Code values are just two uppercase letters.
5. At the end of each line, there is a newline character. There are no blanks, tab or any other character except the ones described above.

Example of a valid file would be `example.json`:

```
[{name:Israel,dial_code:+972,code:IL}  
{name:Afghanistan,dial_code:+93,code:AF}  
{name:Albania,dial_code:+355,code:AL}]
```

## 2 getContent(filename) (1p)

Write a function `getContent(filename)` that receives, as a string, the filename of file; returns a list containing one string per line in the file, as it is, except that you must get rid of begin of file and end of file characters (`[` and `]`) and newline characters.

**Example:** `getContent('example.json')` would return (items are in different line because of space limitations).

```
['{name:Israel,dial_code:+972,code:IL}',  
'{name:Afghanistan,dial_code:+93,code:AF}',  
'{name:Albania,dial_code:+355,code:AL}']
```

### 3 getCode(value) (1p)

Write a function `getCode` that receives a line from the list returned by `getContent` as a string and returns the code value, as a string.

**Example:** `print getCode('name:Albania,dial_code:+355,code:AL')` would print: A

### 4 getCountry(value) (1p)

Write a function `getCountry` that receives a line from the list returned by `getContent` as a string and returns the name value, as a string.

**Example:** `print getCountry('name:Albania,dial_code:+355,code:AL')` would print: Albania

### 5 getCountries(letter, content) (3p)

Write a function `getCountries` that receives two parameters:

**letter** One-character string.

**content** A list containing lines in the file as strings (as the ones returned by `getContent`).

Returns a list of strings containing those lines in **content** whose code starts with **letter**.

**Example:** `getCountries('A', getContent('example.json'))` would return (items are in different line because of space limitations)

```
['{name:Afghanistan,dial_code:+93,code:AF}',  
'{name:Albania,dial_code:+355,code:AL}']
```

### 6 createFile(filename, letter) (3p)

Finally, using all the previous functions (and any other you may need to implement), write a function `createFile(filename, letter)` that receives two parameters. The first, **filename** is the name of a file (string); **letter** one-character string.

This function must get the content of the file and generate a new file containing the names and codes for all the countries whose code starts with **letter**.

Country name and code must be separated by `:`. Each country with its code must be written in a different line.

The name of the output file is the original one but the extension is `.code`.

**Example:** `createFile('example.json', 0, 100)` would create a file named `example.code`:

```
Afghanistan:AF  
Albania:AL
```

### 7 When finish... (1p)

- Write docstrings in all the functions.
- Identify the author in the first lines.
- Save your python file with name `test1B.py`.
- Upload this only file to the corresponding task in Campus Virtual.
- Return all the pages of this exam.