

Assignment 5

Submit 1,3 and 5:

1. Explore different ways to compute the two examples done in class: the Fibonacci sequence and the factorial of a number N :
 - a. Using `for` loops and using `while` loops
 - b. For factorial, computing from N downwards, rather than 1 upwards.
 - c. For Fibonacci, what answers do you get when you print out 50 terms? Is there anything wrong? How can you fix it?
2. Write a program that reads in an integer, N , and computes the first N *Pell* numbers. The *Pell* sequence of integers is $\{0, 1, 2, 5, 12, 29, 70, 169, 408, 985, 2378 \dots\}$ and is defined as
$$P[0] = 0, P[1] = 1, P[N] = 2 * P[N-1] + P[N-2]$$
3. Write a program that reads in an integer, N , and computes and displays the first N *Pavodan* numbers. The *Pavodan* sequence of integers is $\{1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 16, 21, 28, 37, 49, 65, 86, 114, 151, 200, 265, \dots\}$ and is defined as
$$P[1] = P[2] = P[3] = 1, P[N] = P[N-2] + P[N-3], N \geq 4.$$
4. Write a program that reads four floating point values w, x, y, z and modifies them so that w now contains the minimum value, x , contains the next smallest value, y , contains the next smallest value, and z contains the maximum value.
5. Write a program that declares a `float sum`, reads in an integer value N and computes and displays the sum of the inverse of the first N numbers i.e. computes
$$\text{sum} = 1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + 1/5 + \dots + 1/N.$$
Try the program for very large values of N e.g. $N=1000000000$. Do you notice anything strange about the result? How about if you declare `double sum` i.e. use a double-precision floating-point value for the sum instead?