

CISC 1215 Midterm Review

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Chapter 1: Programming as a way of thinking

1. What is the difference between integers and floats?
 - (a) Integers have no decimal part, while floats can have decimals.
 - (b) Integers are smaller numbers than floats.
 - (c) Integers are stored as text, while floats are stored as numbers.
 - (d) Integers can only be positive, while floats can be negative.
2. What is the Python multiplication operator?
 - (a) `x`
 - (b) `+`
 - (c) `*`
 - (d) `**`
 - (e) `^`
3. What is the result of the following operation: `27 // 2`?
 - (a) 54
 - (b) 12
 - (c) 13.5
 - (d) 13
 - (e) 10
4. What is the Python exponentiation operator?
 - (a) `x`
 - (b) `+`
 - (c) `*`
 - (d) `**`
 - (e) `^`
5. What is the result of this expression? `3 + 4 * 2`
 - (a) 7
 - (b) 10
 - (c) 11
 - (d) 14
6. What is the result of this expression? `8 - 3 + 2 * 5`
 - (a) 15
 - (b) 25
 - (c) 35
 - (d) 45
7. What is the result of this expression? `10 / 2 + 3 * 2`
 - (a) 8.0
 - (b) 11.0
 - (c) 13.0
 - (d) 16.0
8. What is the result of this expression? `5 + 2 ** 3 * 2`
 - (a) 14
 - (b) 21
 - (c) 45
 - (d) 64
9. What is the result of this expression? `18 / 3 + 2 ** 2 * 3`

- (a) 12.0 (b) 18.0 (c) 24.0 (d) 30.0
10. Sarah bought 3 packs of markers for \$4 each and one notebook for \$5. Which expression represents the total amount she spent?
- (a) $3 + 4 * 5$ (b) $(3 + 4) * 5$ (c) $3 * 4 + 5$ (d) $4 * (3 + 5)$
11. A movie ticket costs \$12 and popcorn costs \$5. If 3 friends each buy one ticket and share one popcorn, which expression gives the total cost?
- (a) $3 * 12 + 5$ (b) $(12 + 5) * 3$ (c) $12 + 3 * 5$ (d) $(3 + 1) * (12 + 5)$
12. A car travels at 60 miles per hour for 2 hours, then another 30 miles. Which expression represents the total distance?
- (a) $60 + 2 * 30$ (b) $(60 + 2) * 30$ (c) $60 * (2 + 30)$ (d) $60 * 2 + 30$
13. Emily has 24 apples and wants to divide them evenly among 6 friends. Which expression represents how many apples each friend gets?
- (a) $24 * 6$ (b) $6 / 24$ (c) $24 / 6$ (d) $24 - 6$
14. A box of pencils costs \$2, and each eraser costs \$3. If you buy 4 boxes of pencils and 2 erasers, which expression shows the total cost?
- (a) $(4 + 2) * 3$ (b) $4 * 2 + 2 * 3$ (c) $4 + 2 * 3$ (d) $4 * (2 + 3)$
15. What does the round function in Python do?
- (a) It truncates the decimal part of a number.
 (b) It converts a number to the nearest integer greater than or equal to it.
 (c) It converts a number to the nearest integer or to a specified number of decimal places.
 (d) It returns a random number rounded to a certain number of decimal places.
16. Write Python code that calls a function to compute the absolute value of a variable called *x*.
17. Which of the following is an invalid string literal?
- (a) 'Hello, world!'
 (b) "Python's great"
 (c) 'She said "Hi!'
 (d) "She said, 'Hello!'"
18. Which of the following is an invalid string literal?
- (a) "Good morning"
 (b) 'It\'s sunny today'
 (c) "Welcome to Python"
 (d) 'Hello world'"
19. Write Python code that calls a function to find the length of a string called *x*.
20. Write Python code that calls a function to find the type of a variable called *x*.

21. Write Python code that calls a function to change the type of `42.78` to an int. What will be the value returned by the function?
22. What is the type of a variable with the following value? `42`
- (a) float
 - (b) string
 - (c) int
 - (d) bool
23. What is the type of a variable with the following value? `3.14`
- (a) int
 - (b) float
 - (c) string
 - (d) complex
24. What is the type of a variable with the following value? `True`
- (a) int
 - (b) bool
 - (c) string
 - (d) float
25. What is the type of a variable with the following value? `"hello"`
- (a) bool
 - (b) string
 - (c) int
 - (d) float
26. What is the type of a variable with the following value? `0.0`
- (a) int
 - (b) float
 - (c) string
 - (d) bool
27. Write code to concatenate two strings `x` and `y`.
28. Write code to print five copies of the word `"hello"`.

Chapter 2: Variables and statements

29. Which of the following assigns the value 5 to a variable `x`?
- (a) `5 = x`
 - (b) `x = 5`
 - (c) `x = x + 5`
 - (d) `x := 5`
30. Which of the following is a valid Python variable name?

- (a) my-variable
 - (b) 2ndValue
 - (c) my_variable
 - (d) class
31. Which of the following is not a valid Python variable name?
- (a) total_sum
 - (b) numberOfItems
 - (c) 5items
 - (d) user_name
32. Which of the following is a valid Python variable name?
- (a) first_name
 - (b) first name
 - (c) first-name
 - (d) first.name
33. Which of the following is not correct?
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| <p>(a)</p> <pre>import math math.sqrt(25)</pre> | <p>(b)</p> <pre>from math import sqrt math.sqrt(25)</pre> |
| <pre>from math import sqrt sqrt(25)</pre> | <pre>import math.sqrt math.sqrt(25)</pre> |
- ~~34~~ 34. Which symbol is used to start a comment in Python?
- (a) //
 - (b) #
 - (c) %
 - (d) \$
35. What happens to everything on a line after the # symbol in Python?
- (a) It is executed as part of the program.
 - (b) It is ignored by the Python interpreter.
 - (c) It is converted to a string.
 - (d) It causes an error.
36. Which of the following comments would be considered useful?
- (a) # assign 8 to v
 - (b) # increase v by 1
 - (c) # velocity in miles per hour
 - (d) # set variable
37. Why are comments important in programming?
- (a) They make the code run faster.

- (b) They explain what the code does and why.
 - (c) They change how Python interprets the code.
 - (d) They replace the need for good variable names.
38. Which of the following statements about comments is true?
- (a) Comments affect how the code executes.
 - (b) Comments should explain obvious parts of the code.
 - (c) Comments should document non-obvious features or reasoning.
 - (d) Comments are required on every line of code.
39. Which of the following describes a syntax error?
- (a) An error that causes the program to crash while running.
 - (b) An error that occurs when the code runs but produces the wrong result.
 - (c) An error in the structure or rules of the code that prevents it from running.
 - (d) An error that only appears after the program finishes running.
40. Which type of error prevents a Python program from running at all?
- (a) Runtime error
 - (b) Semantic error
 - (c) Syntax error
 - (d) Logic error
41. What type of error occurs when Python encounters an operation it cannot perform while the program is running?
- (a) Syntax error
 - (b) Semantic error
 - (c) Runtime error
 - (d) Compilation error
42. Which of the following is an example of a runtime error?
- (a) Using a reserved keyword as a variable name.
 - (b) Dividing a string by a number.
 - (c) Forgetting a colon at the end of an if statement.
 - (d) Using parentheses incorrectly.
43. Which of the following best describes a semantic error?
- (a) The program crashes because of an invalid operation.
 - (b) The program does not run because of an incorrect symbol or keyword.
 - (c) The program runs but produces an incorrect result.
 - (d) The program cannot be saved due to formatting issues.
44. In the expression `'1 + 3 / 2'`, what kind of error occurs if the goal was to compute the average of 1 and 3?
- (a) Syntax error
 - (b) Runtime error

- (c) Semantic error
 - (d) Type error
45. Which of the following correctly matches the type of error with its description?
- (a) Syntax error — program runs but gives wrong output
 - (b) Runtime error — program fails while running due to an invalid operation
 - (c) Semantic error — Python stops before executing any code
 - (d) Syntax error — problem with meaning of the code

Chapter 3: Functions

46. Which keyword is used to define a function in Python?
- (a) `function`
 - (b) `def`
 - (c) `func`
 - (d) `define`
47. What is the purpose of the `return` statement in a function?
- (a) To call another function
 - (b) To exit the function and return a value to the caller
 - (c) To print a message to the console
 - (d) To define a function
48. Which of the following is a valid function definition in Python?
- (a) `def myFunction():`
 - (b) `function myFunction():`
 - (c) `def myFunction[]:`
 - (d) `function myFunction[]:`
49. What does the following function do?
- ```
def greet(name):
 print("Hello, " + name)
```
- (a) Prints "Hello, " followed by the value of `name`
  - (b) Returns the string "Hello, " concatenated with `name`
  - (c) Prints the value of `name`
  - (d) Returns the value of `name`
50. What is the output of the following code?

```
def square(x):
 return x * x
```

```
print(square(4))
```

- (a) 16
- (b) 8
- (c) 4
- (d) Error

## Chapter 5: Conditionals and recursion

51. What does the modulus operator ('%') do in Python?
- (a) Divides two numbers and returns the quotient.
  - (b) Divides two numbers and returns the remainder.
  - (c) Multiplies two numbers and returns the product.
  - (d) Adds two numbers and returns the sum.
52. Which of the following is a valid boolean expression in Python?
- (a) `5 = 5`
  - (b) `5 == 5`
  - (c) `5 != 5`
  - (d) `5 > 5`
53. What is the result of the expression `7 // 3` in Python?
- (a) 2.3333
  - (b) 2
  - (c) 3
  - (d) 1
54. Which of the following is a valid conditional statement in Python?
- (a) `if x = 5:`
  - (b) `if x == 5:`
  - (c) `if x != 5;`
  - (d) `if x > 5 then:`
55. What is the purpose of the `elif` clause in Python?
- (a) To execute a block of code if the condition is true.
  - (b) To execute a block of code if the previous conditions were false.
  - (c) To define a function.
  - (d) To handle exceptions.
56. Which of the following is an example of a recursive function?
- (a) `def factorial(n): if n == 0: return 1 else: return n * factorial(n-1)`
  - (b) `def factorial(n): return n * n`
  - (c) `def factorial(n): return n + n`
  - (d) `def factorial(n): return n - n`
57. What is the base case in a recursive function?
- (a) The condition that stops the recursion.
  - (b) The first function call.
  - (c) The last function call.
  - (d) The return value.
58. What will the following code print?

```
def countdown(n):
 if n <= 0:
 print("Blastoff!")
 else:
 print(n)
 countdown(n-1)
```

```
countdown(3)
```

- (a) 3, 2, 1, Blastoff!
- (b) 3, 2, Blastoff!
- (c) 3, Blastoff!
- (d) Blastoff!

59. What is the output of the following code?

```
def f(n):
 if n == 0:
 return True
 else:
 return g(n-1)
```

```
def g(n):
 if n == 0:
 return False
 else:
 return f(n-1)
```

```
print(f(4))
```

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) None
- (d) RecursionError

60. What is the output of the following code?

```
x = 10
y = 2
if x > 5:
 print("x is bobo")
elif y < 5:
 print("y is kiki")
else:
 print("Neither condition met")
```

- (a) x is bobo
- (b) y is kiki
- (c) Neither condition met
- (d) Error



## Chapter 6: Return values

61. What is the purpose of the `return` statement in a function?

- (a) To display a message to the user.
- (b) To exit the function and pass a value back to the caller.
- (c) To define the function's parameters.
- (d) To import necessary modules.

62. What will the following code print?

```
def greet(name):
 return "Hello, " + name

greet("Alice")
```

- (a) Hello, Alice
- (b) None
- (c) Error
- (d) Hello, name

63. What is the output of the following code?

```
def absolute_value(x):
 if x < 0:
 return -x
 else:
 return x

print(absolute_value(-5))
```

- (a) -5
- (b) 5
- (c) None
- (d) Error

64. What is the result of the following code?

```
def multiply(x, y):
 return x * y

result = multiply(3, 4)
print(result)
```

- (a) 7
- (b) 12
- (c) None
- (d) Error

## Chapter 7: Iteration and Search

65. What is the purpose of the `in` operator in Python?

- (a) To check if a value is present in a collection.
- (b) To assign a value to a variable.
- (c) To iterate over a sequence.
- (d) To define a function.

66. What will the following code print?

```
def has_e(word):
 for letter in word:
 if letter == 'E':
 return True
 return False
```

```
print(has_e("Hello"))
```

- (a) True
- (b) False
- (c) Error
- (d) None

67. Correct the `has_e` function so `has_e("Hello")` returns True.

68. What is a shorter way of implementing the `has_e` function?

69. What is the output of the following code?

```
def count_e(words):
 count = 0
 for word in words:
 if has_e(word):
 count += 1
 return count
```

```
words_list = ["apple", "banana", "cherry", "date"]
print(count_e(words_list))
```

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 4
- (d) 1

70. What does the following code do?

```
def linear_search(target, sequence):
 for index, value in enumerate(sequence):
 if value == target:
 return index
 return -1
```

```
print(linear_search(3, [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]))
```

- (a) Returns the index of the target value in the sequence.
- (b) Returns the target value.
- (c) Returns the length of the sequence.
- (d) Returns -1 if the target is not found.

## Chapter 8: Strings and Regular Expressions

71. What is the output of the following code?

```
word = 'banana'
print(word[1])
```

- (a) a
- (b) b
- (c) n
- (d) Error

72. Which of the following methods can be used to convert a string to lowercase?

- (a) `lower()`
- (b) `capitalize()`
- (c) `title()`
- (d) `swapcase()`

73. What does the following slice operation return?

```
word = 'banana'
print(word[1:4])
```

- (a) ana
- (b) ban
- (c) an
- (d) Error

74. Which of the following is a correct way to check if a substring exists within a string?

- (a) `if 'ana' in word:`
- (b) `if word.contains('ana'):`
- (c) `if word.has('ana'):`
- (d) `if word.indexOf('ana'):`

75. What is the purpose of regular expressions in Python?

- (a) To perform pattern matching and text manipulation.
- (b) To define functions.
- (c) To handle exceptions.
- (d) To manage memory allocation.

76. What is the output of the following code?

```
word = 'pineapple'
print(word[-1])
```

- (a) e
- (b) p
- (c) l
- (d) Error

77. What does the following slice return?

```
word = 'strawberry'
print(word[2:6])
```

- (a) rawb
- (b) awbe
- (c) straw
- (d) rawn

78. What is the output of this slice operation?

```
word = 'blueberry'
print(word[:4])
```

- (a) blue
- (b) berry
- (c) blueb
- (d) blu

79. What is the output of the following code?

```
word = 'blackberry'
print(word[5:])
```

- (a) berry
- (b) black
- (c) blackberry
- (d) kberry

80. What does the following code print?

```
word = 'raspberry'
print(word[-3:])
```

- (a) rry
- (b) asp
- (c) ber
- (d) ry

81. What is the output of this code?

```
word = 'cranberry'
print(word[:-4])
```

- (a) cran
  - (b) berry
  - (c) cr
  - (d) cranber
82. What package is used for regular expressions in Python?
- (a) `regex`
  - (b) `rexp`
  - (c) `regular_expressions`
  - (c) `re`
83. What is the difference between `re.search` and `re.match` in Python?
- (a) `re.search` looks for a pattern anywhere in the string, while `re.match` only checks at the beginning of the string.
  - (b) `re.match` looks for a pattern anywhere in the string, while `re.search` only checks at the beginning of the string.
  - (c) Both `re.search` and `re.match` only check at the beginning of the string.
  - (d) Both `re.search` and `re.match` look for a pattern anywhere in the string.
84. What is returned by the function `re.search` in Python?
- (a) A boolean value indicating whether the pattern was found.
  - (b) A list of all matches of the pattern in the string.
  - (c) A `Match` object if the pattern is found, or `None` if no match is found.
  - (d) The position index of the first match in the string.
85. What does the following regular expression match?
- ```
r'[aeiou]'
```
- (a) Any single lowercase vowel
 - (b) Any single uppercase vowel
 - (c) Any letter except vowels
 - (d) Any sequence of vowels
86. What does the following regular expression match?
- ```
r'cat|dog'
```
- (a) The string 'cat' or the string 'dog'
  - (b) Any string containing 'cat' followed by 'dog'
  - (c) Only the string 'catdog'
  - (d) Any string containing 'c', 'a', 't', 'd', 'o', or 'g'
87. What does the following regular expression match?
- ```
r'^Hello'
```
- (a) Any string that starts with 'Hello'
 - (b) Any string that ends with 'Hello'
 - (c) Any string that contains 'Hello' anywhere
 - (d) Only the string 'Hello'