

## Programming and Problem Solving, Assignment 1

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### Answer to the question 1

**a)**

Start

Declare and initialize for the list x, num1 and num2

Input x

Input num1

Input num2

$N = \text{length}(x)$

For I from 0 to N-1

    if  $x[I] == \text{num1}$

$x[I] = \text{num2}$

    if  $x[I] == \text{num2}$

$x[I] = \text{num1}$

End For

Print x

End

**b)**

The time complexity of the above algorithm is  $O(n)$

**c)**

The space complexity of this algorithm is  $O(n)$

## **Answer to the question 2**

**a)**

Start

Declare and initialize for the random string list x

Sort the elements of the list

Declare and initialize three string array list abc, num, cap

$N = \text{length}(x)$

For I from 0 to N-1

    If  $x[I]$  matches pattern [a-z]

        Add  $x[I]$  in abc

    Else if  $x[I]$  matches pattern [0-9]

        Add  $x[I]$  in num

    Else if  $x[I]$  matches pattern [A-Z]

        Add  $x[I]$  in cap

End For

Print ( Concat abc , num , cap)

End

**b)**

Since the time complexity of the sorting function is  $O(n \log(n))$  and the loop time complexity is  $O(n)$ , the significant complexity for this algorithm is  $O(n \log(n))$ .

**c)**

The space complexity of this algorithm is  $O(n)$ .

### Answer to the Question 3

i)

**Function isPrime(val)**

**If val is less than or equal to 1**

**Return false**

**End If**

**For i from 2 to val - 1**

**If val is divisible by i**

**Return false**

**End If**

**End For**

**Return true**

**End Function**

**Start**

**Declare an array 'arr' with given values**

**Declare a target value 'target'**

**Create an empty hashmap 'hm'**

**For i from 0 to the length of 'arr' - 1**

**If 'hm' contains 'arr[i]'**

**If isPrime(arr[i]) is true and isPrime(target - arr[i]) is true**

**Print "Two consecutive prime numbers with a sum of " + target +**

**" are " + arr[i] + " and " + (target - arr[i]) +**

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        " found at indices " + i + " and " + hm[arr[i]][1] + " respectively"
    Exit the loop
End If
Else
    Insert (target - arr[i]) as the key and [arr[i], i] as the value into 'hm'
End If
End For
End

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## ii) Justification of my design:

The brute force solution to this problem could be for each of the items in the list, I could search for the subtracted number from the target in the rest of the element of the list.

However, this design would take much time because the time complexity for the worst case of this algorithm is  $O(n^2 * val)$ . Instead, I choose to hash mapping difference from the target of each element from the start, so that if I get the difference as a key existing in my HashMap, I can say that I found the two sum numbers after I have to check whether those two numbers are prime or not by a simple `isPrime` function which checks whether the numbers are divisible by any other number except 1 and itself.

**iii) Time complexity of this algorithm is  $O(n * val)$** , in for worst-case scenario the hash mapping would grow as numbers in the list, so  $O(n)$ , and for the checkprime inside the loop would grow as a number gets bigger. Thus, combining both the time complexity would be  $O(n * val)$

**iv) Maximum stack growth of the hashmap of this algorithm is  $o(n)$**