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This examination set consists of 9 pages.

Appendices: None

Permitted aids: None

Make sure that your copy of the examination set is complete before you start solving the problems.

- Read through the complete exercise set before you start solving the individual exercises. If you miss information in an exercise, you can provide your own reasonable assumptions as long as you explain that in detail.
- The maximum possible score on the exam is 28 points. The maximum number of points is listed for each question. For questions with sub-questions ((a),(b), etc), each sub-question has the same score.

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Problem 1.

7 What is printed in the terminal window when the programs below are run?

(a)

```
a = 4
b = a
a = a+b
print(a)
```

(b)

```
A = [[-1,0,1],[0,0,0],[10,9,8]]
print(A[1][-1])
```

(c)

```
x = 6
y = -2
c = x >= 10 or y != -2
```

(d)

```
import numpy as np
a = [1,2,3]
a_np = np.array(a)
print(a*2)
print(a_np*2)
```

(e)

```
S = 0
for i in range(3):
    S += i**2

print(S)
```

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(f)

```
import sys
A = [['-1', '0', '1'], ['0', '0', '0'], ['10', '9', '8']]

try:
    b = int(A[2])
except IndexError:
    print('A has length %d' %len(A))
    sys.exit(1)
except TypeError:
    print('Cannot convert %s to int' %A[2])
    sys.exit(1)
```

(g)

```
def poly(x,k):
    s = 0
    for i in range(k+1):
        s = s+x**i
    return s

def test_poly():
    k = 2
    x = 2.0

    tol = 1e-14
    success = abs(poly(x,k)-7.0) < tol
    assert success

test_poly()
```

Solution:

a:
8
b:

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```
0
c:
False
d:
[1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3]
[2 4 6]
e:
5
f:
Cannot convert ['10', '9', '8'] to int
g:
(Nothing is printed since the test passes)
```

Problem 2.

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- (a) You have a file named `data.txt` that contains weather data for 25 december at Blindern, in the format listed below. The file starts with data from 1950 and continues to 2008 (the table below does not show the entire file).

```
# Station, year, mean-temp, min-temp, max-temp
18700 1950 -5.9 -8.3 -2.6
18700 1951 6.0 4.5 7.3 0
18700 1952 -1.4 -1.8 -0.2
18700 1953 -0.2 -1.2 6.0 0
18700 1954 -8.5 -9.9 -3.8
18700 1955 -4.0 -7.7 -0.4
18700 1956 -4.9 -5.8 -4.7
18700 1957 -0.4 -1.7 1.9 0
18700 1958 -0.2 -1.0 0.9 7
18700 1959 2.1 0.8 3.5 0
18700 1960 -3.6 -9.7 -2.6
18700 1961 -6.0 -9.0 -2.1
18700 1962 -9.5 -11.3 -7.7
```

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18700	1963	-2.7	-4.1	-0.9
18700	1964	-8.0	-9.5	-6.0
18700	1965	-2.0	-3.5	-1.0
18700	1966	-6.2	-10.6	-1.4
18700	1967	-6.5	-9.3	-5.2
18700	1968	-1.5	-2.8	0.1

Write a program that reads data from the file `data.txt` and makes four lists of data from the columns 'year', 'mean-temp', 'max-temp' and 'min-temp'. Include necessary imports.

- (b) Extend the program from question 2a, and plot the three temperatures 'mean_temp', 'min_temp' and 'max_temp' as a function of year. The axes of the plot shall be marked with 'Year' and 'Temperature', and there shall be a legend to explain each curve. Include necessary imports. You may assume that you write the code for the plot in the same file as the code in question 2a, so the four lists are already available.

Solution:

```
a:
infile = open('data.txt', 'r')

infile.readline()

year = []
mean_t = []
min_t = []
max_t = []

for line in infile:
    words = line.split()
    year.append(int(words[1]))
    mean_t.append(float(words[2]))
    min_t.append(float(words[3]))
    max_t.append(float(words[4]))
```

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```

b:
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plt.plot(year,mean_t,label= 'mean')
plt.plot(year,min_t, label='min')
plt.plot(year,max_t,label='max')

plt.legend()
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('T (degrees)')

plt.show()

```

Problem 3.

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- (a) Write a python-function `piecewise(x,a,b)` that implements the function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.0 & \text{for } x \leq a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & \text{for } a < x \leq b \\ 1.0 & \text{for } x > b \end{cases}$$

Here x , a , and b are scalar values (numbers, not arrays or lists).

- (b) Write a test function `test_piecewise()` that tests the function from question 3a. Set $a = 0$ and $b = 1$, and choose three different values for x ; -1.0, 0.5, and 1.5. The result of these three arguments shall be compared with the expected values 0.0, 0.5 and 1.0. You can assume that the function `piecewise()` is available in the same file as the test function, so you don't have to write it again.
- (c) Write a program that reads the values x , a , and b from the command line, calls the function from 3a with these parameters, and prints the result to the screen. Include a try-except block that

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handles the two cases that there are not enough input arguments, and that the input arguments have the wrong format. In both cases the program shall print an error message and exit. The error message shall be different for the two types of errors. Include necessary imports.

You can assume that the function from 3a is available in the same file as your program, so you don't have to import it or write it again.

Solution:

```
a:
def piecewise(x,a,b):
    if x < a:
        return 0.0
    elif x < b:
        return (x-a)/(b-a)
    else:
        return 1.0

b:
"""
There are many different ways to test several values
in a single test function. Here are two of the simpler
alternatives, both would give full score on the exam.
"""
def test_piecewise():
    a = 0.0; b = 1.0;
    x1 = -1; x2 = 0.5; x3 = 1.5
    e1 = 0.0; e2 = 0.5; e3 = 1.0
    tol = 1.0e-10
    success1 = abs(piecewise(x1,a,b) - e1) < tol
    success2 = abs(piecewise(x2,a,b) - e2) < tol
    success3 = abs(pieceswise(x3,a,b) - e3) < tol
    assert success1 and success2 and success3

def test_piecewise():
    a = 0.0; b = 1.0;
```

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```
x1 = -1.0; x2 = 0.5; x3 = 1.5
e1 = 0.0; e2 = 0.5; e3 = 1.0
tol = 1.0e-10
c1 = piecewise(x1,a,b)
c2 = piecewise(x2,a,b)
c3 = piecewise(x3,a,b)
success = abs(c1 - e1) < tol and abs(c2 - e2) < tol \
    and abs(c3 - e3) < tol
msg = ""
Test failed, computed %g, %g, %g,
expected %g, %g, %g"" % (c1,c2,c3, e1,e2,e3)
assert success, msg

c:
import sys

try:
    x, a, b = sys.argv[1:]
    x = float(x)
    a = float(a)
    b = float(b)
except IndexError:
    print('You need to provide three command line arguments.')
    sys.exit(1)
except ValueError:
    print('The command line arguments must be numbers.')
    sys.exit(1)

print(piecewise(x,a,b))
```

Problem 4.

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- (a) Write a Python function `pi_approx(n)`, which implements the sum

$$s_n = 4 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2k-1}$$

Write code for calling the function for $n = 10$ og $n = 100$ and printing the result to the screen.

- (b) Write a program that generates a list of n -values from 1 to 50, calls the function from 4a for all the values, and plots the function values as a function of n . Include necessary imports. You can assume that the function from 4a is available in the same file as your program, so you don't have to import it or write it again.

```
a:
def pi_approx(n):
    a = 0
    for k in range(1,n+1):
        a += (-1)**(k+1)/(2*k-1)
    return 4*a

print(pi_approx(10), pi_approx(100))

b:
"""You can use lists or arrays,
but in this case lists are simpler."""
n_list = range(1,51)
a_list = []
for i in n_list:
    a_list.append(pi_approx(i))

plt.plot(n_list,a_list)
plt.show()
```

END