

First Exam  
CS 101 Computer Science I

**KEY**

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Before reading further, please arrange to have an empty seat on either side of you.

Now that you are seated, please write your name **on the back** of this exam.

This is a closed-book exam. Computers, calculators, and books are prohibited. You may use one 8.5 by 11 sheet of notes. **Please choose between problems 7 and 8, circling the number of the one you want graded.** In solving problems involving repetition, you are free to use any form that you would like. Partial credit will be given so be sure to show your work. **Please try to write neatly.**

Problem	Points	Out Of
1		3
2		2
3		2
4		2
5		3
6		3
7		5 (one of)
8		5 (one of)
Total		20

1. (3 Points) For each of the following, indicate what would happen if the code was evaluated in a Python shell. If the code would produce a value, what value would it produce? If the code would produce an error, what error?

```
(a) def f(x, y): return (g(x), g(y))
    def g(z): return z * 2
    f(2, 4)
```

**Answer:**

(4, 8)

```
(b) def f(x, y):
    def g(x): return x + y
    return g(x + 1)
f(1, 6)
```

**Answer:**

8

```
(c) def f(x, y): return g()
    def g(): return x + y
    f(1, 6)
```

**Answer:**

Error: unbound variable y

2. (2 points) The word *millennial* is sometimes used to refer to a person born after January 1, 1981 and before December 31, 1996. Write a function `isMillennial : int -> bool` that accepts a birth year and returns `True` if the person is a millennial. Otherwise it should return `False`.

**Answer:**

```
# isMillennial : int -> bool
#
def isMillennial(birthYear):
    return (1981 <= birthYear) and (birthYear <= 1996)
```

3. (2 points) *Compounded growth* of a quantity is usually expressed as a periodic percentage together with the number of periods of growth. In particular, a present value  $pv$  growing at  $i$  percent per period will grow to  $pv(1+i)^n$  over  $n$  periods. Write a function `futureValue : float * float * float -> float` such that a call `futureValue(pv, i, n)` will compute the compounded growth over  $n$  periods.

**Answer:**

```
# futureValue : float * float * float -> float
#
def futureValue(pv, i, n):
    return pv * (1.0 + i) ** n
```

4. (2 Points) Write a Python function `downFrom : int -> int list` such that a call `downFrom(n)` produces the list `[n - 1, n - 2, ..., 0]`. For example, the call `downFrom(5)` should evaluate to the list `[4, 3, 2, 1, 0]`.

**Answer:**

```
downFrom : int -> int list                PRODUCE A LIST
#
def downFrom(n):
    return [ n - i - 1 for i in range(n) ]
```

5. (3 Points) Write a Python function `interesting : a * (a * a -> bool) * a list -> int` such that a call `interesting(x, test, xs)` returns the number of elements of `xs` that are in the `test` relation with `x`. For example, assuming that the built-in `operator.lt` (less than) function is imported, the expression `interesting(5, operator.lt, [3, 4, 5, 6, 7])` would evaluate to 2 because only list elements 3 and 4 are less than 5.

**Answer:**

```
# interesting : a * (a * a -> bool) * a list -> int
#
# The call interesting(x, test, xs) returns the number of elements
# of xs that are in the test(., x) relation with x.
#
def interesting(x, test, xs):
    if xs == []:
        return 0
    else:
        n = interesting(x, test, xs[1:])
        if test(xs[0], x):
            return n + 1
        else:
            return n
```

6. (3 Points) Write a Python function `removeNth : int * a list -> a list` such that a call of the function `removeNth(n, xs)` returns a list that is just like `xs` but the `n`th element has been removed. For example, the call `removeNth(0, [10, 20, 30])` should evaluate to `[20, 30]` while the call `removeNth(2, [10, 20, 30])` should evaluate to `[10, 20]`. You may assume that the list has an `n`th element.

**Answer:**

```
# removeNth : int * 'a list -> 'a list                PRODUCE A LIST
#
def removeNth(n, xs):
    if n == 0:
        return xs[1:]
    else:
        first = xs[0]
        return [first] + removeNth(n - 1, xs[1:])
```

7. (5 Points) Write a Python function `middle : int list -> int` that accepts an odd-length list of unique integers and returns the middle integer. For example, the call `middle([20, 18, 50, 62, 30])` should evaluate to 30 because there are 2 values less than 30 and 2 values greater. The call `middle([10])` should evaluate to 10.

**Answer:**

```
# middle : int list -> int                                CONSUME A LIST
#
# The call middle(ns) accepts an odd-length list of unique integers. It
# returns the one that has an equal number lower and higher.
#
def middle(lst):
    triples = [ (i, interesting(i, lt, lst), interesting(i, gt, lst)) for i in lst ]

    def loop(triples):
        if triples == []:
            return None
        else:
            (i, smaller, bigger) = triples[0]
            if smaller == bigger:
                return i
            else:
                return loop(triples[1:])
    return loop(triples)
```

8. (5 Points) If `pic` is a `stddraw.Picture`, the function call `pic.filledRectangle(x, y, hW, hH, color)` will add a filled rectangle to `pic` centered at `(x, y)` with width twice `hW`, height twice `hH` and of color `color`.

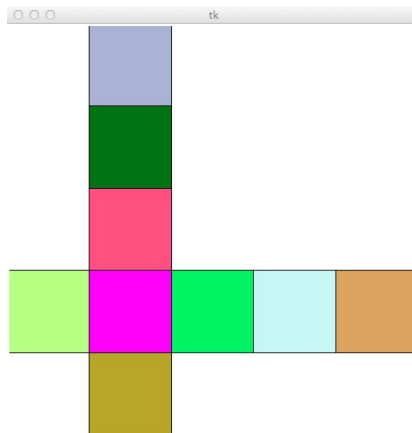
Write a function `cross : Picture * int * int -> void` such that a call `cross(picture, n, i)` will render randomly colored squares of side `1.0 / n` across row `i` and up column `i` of the unit square. For example, executing the code

```
import stddraw

def testCross():
    myPic = stddraw.Picture()
    cross(myPic, 5, 2)
    myPic.start()

testCross()
```

would produce the following picture in the graphics window:



**Answer:**

```
def cross(picture, n, i):
    side = 1.0 / n
    halfSide = side / 2.0
    fixedXY = (i - 1) * side + halfSide
    def loop(m):
        if m > 0:
            varyingXY = (m - 1) * side + halfSide
            color = picture.randomColor()
            picture.filledRectangle(fixedXY, varyingXY, halfSide, halfSide, color)
            color = picture.randomColor()
            picture.filledRectangle(varyingXY, fixedXY, halfSide, halfSide, color)
            loop(m - 1)
    loop(n)
```