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Question	Max	Internal	External	Question	Max	Internal	External	
1	10			7	10			
2	14			8	5			
3	6			9	10			
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**Marks : 100**

**Time : 180 minutes**

**Instructions:**

- a) Answer all questions.
- b) Write your answers in the space provided.
- c) Show all calculations where applicable.

### Question 1 [10]

- a) Given a dictionary declared as: `actors = {'John':'Cleese'}`, why is `actors['John']` a valid operation but not `actors['Cleese']`? [2]

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- b) Python implements automatic garbage collection. What does this mean and what implications does it have for programming in Python? [2]

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- c) What is the difference between private and public methods and attributes of a class? How are these declared in Python? [2]

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- d) Rewrite the following Python statement using a more conventional control structure: [2]

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r = (a > b and [a] or [b])[0]
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e) The Python string is equivalent to another native datatype. What is this datatype and what implications does this have for operations on strings? [2]

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### Question 3 [6]

You are provided with the following lists of American Civil War generals:

```
North = ['Grant', 'Sheridan', 'Hood']
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South = ['Lee', 'Jackson']
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Write out the contents of these lists after each of the following operations are applied in sequence:

a) **South.insert(len(South), North.pop())** [2]

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b) **North.append(North[:1])**  
**South = South[:]** [2]

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c) **North.remove(['Grant'])**  
**North.extend(South)**  
**South = []** [2]

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b) Python is classified as a language with strong and dynamic typing. Give examples from your answer to part a) which demonstrate this and explain why they do so? [4]

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### Question 5 [8]

You are provided with the following Python classes:

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class Mythical:
    def __init__(self):
        self.magical = True

class Carnivore:
    trophies = 0

    def hunt(self):
        Carnivore.trophies += 1

class Jabberwock(Mythical, Carnivore):
    def hunt(self):
        Carnivore.hunt(self)
        print 'The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!'

    def __vorpal(self):
        print 'The vorpal blade went snicker-snack!'
```

Write down the Python output of the following code. Explain your answers in each instance.

a) `print Jabberwock.trophies`

[2]

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b) `jay = Jabberwock()`  
`jay.hunt()`  
`print jay.trophies`

[2]

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c) `print jay.magical`

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d) `jay.__vorpal()`

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## Question 6 [25]

You are provided with the following Python code:

```
"""Unit test for 12-24 hour clock conversions"""
import Clock
import unittest

class SuccessCheck(unittest.TestCase):
    knownValues = (( '12:00am', '0h00'),
                   ('8:00am', '8h00'),
                   ('3:15pm', '15h15'),
                   ('10:40pm', '22h40'))

    def testKnown24(self):
        for timeIn,timeOut in self.knownValues:
            result = Clock.Time24(timeIn)
            self.assertEqual(result, timeOut)

    def testKnown12(self):
        for timeOut,timeIn in self.knownValues:
            result = Clock.Time12(timeIn)
            self.assertEqual(result, timeOut)

    def testSanity(self):
        """ code deleted """

class FailureCheck(unittest.TestCase):
    def testFormat12(self):
        self.assertRaises(Clock.invalidFormat,Clock.Time12,"9:00a ")

    def testFormat24(self):
        self.assertRaises(Clock.invalidFormat,Clock.Time24,"9 h 34")

    def testIncorrectRange12(self):
        self.assertRaises(Clock.outOfRange,Clock.Time12,"13:24pm")

    def testIncorrectRange24(self):
        self.assertRaises(Clock.outOfRange,Clock.Time24,"24h24")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    unittest.main()
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a) Unit testing is an example of black box testing. What is **black box** testing? [2]

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b) The class **SuccessCheck** does not take the principles of equivalence testing and boundary analysis into account.

i. What is boundary analysis and why is it necessary? [2]

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ii. Write down a new list of values for **knownValues** that represents an appropriate set of equivalence classes and boundary values for this problem. [3]

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c) Tests are typically divided into tests for success, tests for failure and other tests, such as tests for sanity.

i. What is a test for failure? [1]

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ii. The `testSanity` method should run a sanity check. What is a *sanity check*? [1]

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iii. Write down code for the `testSanity` method. This should run a sanity check for all the values listed in `knownValues`. [4]

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def testSanity(self):
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d) When running the unittest module, both failures and errors can occur. Explain clearly what the difference between an error and a failure is. [2]

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e) Given the skeleton below for `Clock.py`, complete the `Time24` method so that it will pass the unit test listed above. [10]

```
import re
import sys

#define exceptions
class invalidFormat(Exception): pass
class outOfRange(Exception): pass

def Time12(string):
    """ convert from 24 hour to 12 hour clock """

def Time24(string):
    """ convert from 12 hour to 24 hour clock """
```



## Question 7 [10]

Examine the python code below:

```
startText = """But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All eager for the treat:  
Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes were clean and neat--""  
  
repStr = '*'  
print re.sub(regExp, repStr, startText, re.MULTILINE)
```

In each question that follows, indicate the value(s) of **regExp** that will print the displayed text.

a)

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But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All *ger for the tr*t:  
Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes were cl*n and n*t--
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- A. r'[ea]'
- B. r'ea'
- C. r'\bea'
- D. B and C

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

b)

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But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All eager for the tr*t:  
Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes were cl*n and n*t--
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- A. r'\Bea'
- B. r'ea'
- C. r'\bea'
- D. A and B

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

c)

**But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All eager for the \*:  
Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes were clean and \*--**

- A. r'[a-z]\*eat'
- B. r'(nltr)\*eat'
- C. r'\b[a-z]{1,2}eat'
- D. All of the above

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

d)

**But f\*r y\*ng Oysters hurr\*d up,  
All \*ger for the tr\*t:  
Th\*r c\*ts were brushed, th\*r faces washed,  
Th\*r sh\*s were cl\*n and n\*t--**

- A. r'[aeiou][aeiou]'
- B. r'[aeiou].'
- C. r'[aeiou][aeiou]\*'
- D. A and C

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

e)

**But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All eager for the treat:  
Their coats w\* brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes w\* clean and neat--**

- A. r'ere'
- B. r'\bere'
- C. r'([aeiou])[a-z]\1'
- D. A and C

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_



**Question 8 [5]**

- a) Write down a regular expression that will match land-line telephone numbers in either of the formats “(021) 6505107” or “+27 21 6505107”.

The first format starts with regional dialing code in parentheses, comprising a zero followed by two or three digits. A space separates this from the local dialling code, comprising 6 or 7 digits, with no spaces.

The second format lists the international prefix first – a ‘+’ symbol, followed by the country code (between 1 and 3 digits, e.g. “+27” for South Africa or “+1” for the U.S.A.), a space and then the regional dialling code (no parenthesis).

Your expression should match strings such as “(0532) 6565656” and “+27 11 999999”, but not to strings such as “0532 6565656” and “(021)123123”. [5]

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d) What is the value of the floating point number below? Assume IEEE754 single precision format, i.e., the left-most bit is the sign bit, the next 8 bits are the biased exponent, and the right-most 23 bits are the significand. Show all your working. [3]

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