

Main examination period 2017

MTH4105 Introduction to Mathematical Computing

Duration: 2 hours

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Question 1 [12 marks]

a) Assign the expression $x^2 + \frac{2}{x^2}$ to the variable y. You must use the variable y and not the expression $x^2 + \frac{2}{x^2}$ in the rest of this question. [2 marks]

- b) Plot the graph of y against x for $-3 \le x \le 3$, $0 \le y \le 10$, labelling the horizontal and vertical axes with the variable names x and y respectively. [6 marks]
- c) Compute all the **exact** values of x for which $\frac{d}{dx}y = 0$ by solving the equation. [2 marks]
- d) Evaluate y at $x = 2^{1/4}$. [2 marks]

Question 2 [12 marks]

- a) Assign to the variable *S* the set of integers from 1000 to 1100 inclusive, without inputting all the elements explicitly. **[2 marks]**
- b) Assign to the variable P the subset of S obtained by evaluating an expression that selects the elements of S that are prime; mathematically $P = \{s \in S : s \text{ prime}\}$. [2 marks]
- c) Compute the cardinality of P. [2 marks]
- d) Assign to the variable Q the set of integers of the form p+2, where p is an element of P, obtained by evaluating an expression that constructs this set from P; mathematically $Q = \{p+2 : p \in P\}$. [3 marks]
- e) Show that at least one element of *Q* is divisible by 7 by entering **a single expression** that evaluates to *true* or *false* as appropriate. **[3 marks]**

Question 3 [12 marks]

Write and execute a program that computes and assigns to the variable S the set of all positive integer divisors of a positive integer n as follows. Your program should all be in one execution group.

- 1) Assign the value 100 to the variable *n*. [2 marks]
- 2) Assign the empty sequence to the variable S. [2 marks]
- 3) Then use a **do** statement (loop) to run through all the integers m such that $1 \le m \le n$ and within the **do** statement: [2 marks]
 - a) test whether each value of *m* divides *n* [2 marks]
 - b) and if so include it in the sequence S. [2 marks]
- 4) Finally, make the sequence *S* into a set and assign it back to the variable *S*. [2 marks]

Display the assignment to n and the final assignment of the set of all divisors of n to S, but nothing else.

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Question 4 [12 marks]

- a) Define f to be a formula-based function such that $f(n) = \frac{n \cdot (n+1)}{2}$. [3 marks]
- b) Define g to be a table-based function such that g(0) = 0, g(1) = 1, g(2) = 3, g(3) = 6, g(4) = 10. [3 marks]
- c) Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4\}$ be the domain of f. Assign to the variable B the range of f computed using the domain, A. [3 marks]
- d) If f and g are both regarded as functions with domain A and codomain B, show that f = g by entering and evaluating a **single expression** that evaluates to *true* or *false* as appropriate. [3 marks]

Question 5 [14 marks]

Let $A = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}.$

- a) Assign to the variable *S* the set of all 2-element subsets of *A*, computed using *A*. **[5 marks]**
- b) Define &R to be a relation on A such that x & R y evaluates to *true* if $\{x, y\}$ is an element of S and to *false* otherwise. [3 marks]
- c) Evaluate 2 & R 4, 4 & R 2. [2 marks]
- d) Explain **in a text region**, with all mathematical notation in math mode, why &*R* must be symmetric. **[4 marks]**

Question 6 [14 marks]

The solutions of the equations $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ and $x^2 - y^2 = 1$ form a circle and a hyperbola respectively in the (x, y)-plane.

- a) Plot these two **implicitly defined curves** together on the same axes, using for both axes the same range [-2, 2] and the **same scaling**. [8 marks]
- b) The circle and hyperbola defined above intersect at four points in the plane. Solve the pair of simultaneous equations to find **exact explicit** expressions for the *x* and *y* coordinates of the four intersections. **[6 marks]**

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Question 7 [12 marks]

Write a **procedure** called *sum_of_two_primes* that takes one parameter, *n*, which you can assume to be an even positive integer greater than 2, and returns an expression sequence consisting of two primes that sum to *n*, as follows.

- 1) Write the procedure skeleton and include a brief Maple comment to explain its purpose. [2 marks]
- 2) Declare local variables as appropriate and assign the value 0 to a local variable *p*. [2 marks]
- 3) Then use a **do** statement (loop) that repeats at most *n* times and within the **do** statement: [2 marks]
 - a) assign to p the next prime number after the current value of p; [2 marks]
 - b) if n-p is prime then return the expression sequence p, n-p. [4 marks]

Your procedure should behave as follows:

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> sum_of_two_primes(4)
2, 2
> sum_of_two_primes(60)
7, 53
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Question 8 [12 marks]

- a) Set the Maple interface to represent the imaginary unit as the lower case letter i. [2 marks]
- b) Assign the complex variable expression i w to the variable z and then assign the complex number 2 + 3i to the variable w. [2 marks]
- c) By using a single expression that evaluates to true or false as appropriate, show that z and w have the same modulus. [2 marks]
- d) Compute the difference between the arguments of z and w in the simplest possible exact form. [2 marks]
- e) Plot the complex numbers represented by z and w as points on an Argand diagram joined to the origin by straight lines. Ensure that this plot is geometrically correct. [4 marks]

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