## Practice Exam 1

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Section:

1. (8 points) Name 4 different primitive types.

## 2. For loops and while loops

(a) (3 points) When should you use a while loop, and when should you use a for loop?

- (b) (3 points) In Python, you can always replace a single while loop with a single for loop, as they are functionally equivalent if used correctly.  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{F}$
- 3. Given the following piece of code:

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1 | x1 = [ ... ]
 x2 = [ ... ]
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  output = []
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  for item1 in x1:
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      i = str(item1)
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     for item2 in x2:
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          result = i + str(item2)
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          if not result in output:
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              output.append(result)
 print(output)
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(a) (7 points) What is printed when x1 = [1,2,3] and x2 = [2,3,4]?

(b) (3 points) Describe, in no more than 3 sentences, what this code does.

4. (10 points) Write code that returns the minimum and maximum of a list of integers **S** with only one pass (only one loop should be used). You are *not* allowed to use the functions **min** or **max** in this code (but may do so on other questions). The first line of code is given to you.

 $S = [ \dots ]$  # the contents of S should be irrelevant

5. (15 points) The Fibonacci numbers  $F_n$  are defined in the following recursive way:

$$F_n = \begin{cases} F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & n \ge 2\\ 1 & n = 1\\ 0 & n = 0 \end{cases}$$

For example, the first 15 Fibonacci numbers are 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, 89, 144, 233, 377. Write a piece of code that uses iteration to calculate the 73<sup>rd</sup> Fibonacci number and prints it out. CS XXXX

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6. (20 points) Selection sort is a sorting algorithm that is not very efficient. For an array (i.e., a list) of n elements, it takes time proportional to  $n^2$  in order for selection sort to sort it correctly.

The way selection sort works is by repeatedly finding the minimum element of a subset of the array and swapping it with the first element in that subset until the array is sorted. For example, consider the following array:

[2, 4, 3, 1, 6, 5]

On the first iteration, selection sort looks at the whole array and finds that 1 is the minimum element, so it swaps 2 and 1, giving us:

[1, 4, 3, 2, 6, 5]

Then, since selection sort knows that the first element is sorted, it restricts itself to the subset containing the elements [4, 3, 2, 6, 5]. In this subset, the minimum element is 2, so it switches 4 and 2:

[2, 3, 4, 6, 5]

It continues without switching any more elements for the next two iterations (as 3 and 4 are in their correct places) until it gets to the last two elements, which it swaps:

[5, 6]

Expanding the view again gives us the sorted list:

[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]

Write code that performs selection sort on a list of integers S. The first line is written for you.

 $S = [ \dots ]$  # the contents of S should be irrelevant