

CSC 108H1 F 2008 Test 2  
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*Good Luck!*

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This test consists of 3 questions on 8 pages (including this one). When you receive the signal to start, please make sure that your copy is complete.

# 1: \_\_\_\_\_ / 5

Comments are not required except where indicated, although they may help us mark your answers. They may also get you part marks if you can't figure out how to write the code.

# 2: \_\_\_\_\_ / 7

The last sheet has Python function and method descriptions that you may find useful.

# 3: \_\_\_\_\_ / 8

If you use any space for rough work, indicate clearly what you want marked.

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**Question 1.** [5 MARKS]

Complete the following function according to its docstring description.

```
def longer(L, x):
    '''Given a list of strs L, return a new list that contains each
    element of L whose length is greater than int x.  For example,
    longer(['abcd', 'abc', 'ab'], 2) returns ['abcd', 'abc'].'''

```

**Question 2.** [7 MARKS]

The `str` module in Python has a function called `split`. Without using Python's `split`, implement the following function according to its docstring description.

```
def my_split(s):
    '''Given a str s, return a list of all the strings in s that are
    separated by the character '?'. For example, my_split('This?is??it')
    returns ['This', 'is', '', 'it'].'''

```

**Question 3.** [8 MARKS]

In the table below, trace the variable values during execution of the function call:

`mystery(6)`

For each blank in the table, fill in the specified variable's value after the corresponding line has executed. Write NR ("not reached") if that line was not executed. **The loop will iterate between 1 and 4 times; fill in only as many iterations as necessary.** On the last line, write the value returned by the function call.

Recall that  $x \% y$  gives the remainder when  $x$  is divided by  $y$ .

Show variable values <b>after</b> each line has executed:	
def mystery(a):	a: 6
s = '01,	s:
d = ,,	d:
while a > 0:	
c = a % 2	1
d = s[c] + d;	2
a = a / 2	3
return d	4
value returned:	

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**Short Python function/method descriptions:**

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__builtins__:
    max(x, y, z, ...) -> value
        With two or more arguments, return the largest argument.
    min(x, y, z, ...) -> value
        With two or more arguments, return the smallest argument.
    len(x) -> integer
        Return the length of the list or string x.
    range([start], stop, [step]) -> list of integers
        Return a list containing the integers starting with stop and ending with
        stop - 1 with step specifying the amount to increment (or decrement).
        If start is not specified, the list starts at 0. If step is not specified,
        the values are incremented by 1.

float:
    float(x) -> floating point number
        Convert a string or number to a floating point number, if possible.

int:
    int(x) -> integer
        Convert a string or number to an integer, if possible. A floating point
        argument will be truncated towards zero.

str:
    str(x) -> string
        Convert an object into its string representation, if possible.
    S.find(sub) -> integer
        Return the lowest index in S where the string sub is found or -1 if sub
        does not occur in S.
    S.index(sub) -> integer
        Like find but raises an exception if sub does not occur in S.
    S.isdigit() --> boolean
        Return True if all characters in S are digits and False otherwise.
    S.replace(old, new) --> string
        Return a copy of string S with all occurrences of the string old replaced
        with the string new.
    S.split([sep]) --> list of strings
        Return a list of the words in S, using string sep as the separator and
        any whitespace string if sep is not specified.
    S.startswith(prefix) --> bool
        Return True if S starts with the str prefix, and False otherwise.
    S.strip() --> string
        Return a copy of S with leading and trailing whitespace removed.

list:
    L.append(x)
        Append x to the end of the list L.
    L.index(value) -> integer
        Returns the lowest index of value in L.
    L.insert(index, x)
        Insert x at position index.
    L.sort()
        Sorts the list in ascending order.

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