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VCE Specialist Mathematics ½

Logic & Algorithms I [2.4]

Homework Solutions

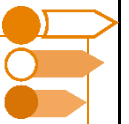
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Section A: Compulsory Questions

Sub-Section [2.4.1]: Write and Understand Basic Algorithms



Question 1



Construct an algorithm that triples any input given.

Step 1. Input A ,

Step 2. $A \leftarrow 3A$

Step 3. Print A .

Question 2



Construct an algorithm that halves any input given and adds 1.

Step 1. Input A ,

Step 2. $A \leftarrow 1/2A + 1$

Step 3. Print A .

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Question 3


Construct an algorithm that subtracts 5 from an input and then multiplies by 3.

Step 1. Input A

Step 2. $A \leftarrow 3(A - 5)$

Step 3. Print A

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Sub-Section [2.4.2]: Understanding and Evaluating Algorithms that have Conditional Statements and Represent Hybrid Functions as Algorithms

Question 4



- a. Turn the following function into an algorithm.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x & x \geq 0 \\ -x & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Input x

Step 2: If $x \geq 0$, then $y \leftarrow x$

else $y \leftarrow -x$

Step 3: Print y .

- b. Evaluate the final output:

```

a ← 1
b ← 1
if a + b < 7
    b ← b - 2
    a ← a + 3.
end if
print a, b.
```

$a = 4$ and $b = -1$.


Question 5 Tech-Active.

Following is an algorithm for calculating the Australian tax.

Step 1: Input income.

Step 2a: If $\text{income} \leq 18200$, then $\text{tax} \leftarrow 0$.

Step 2b: Else If $\text{income} \leq 37000$, then $\text{tax} \leftarrow 0.19 \times \text{income} - 3458$.

Step 2c: Else If $\text{income} \leq 90000$, then $\text{tax} \leftarrow 0.325 \times \text{income} - 8453$.

Step 2d: Else If $\text{income} \leq 180000$, then $\text{tax} \leftarrow 0.37 \times \text{income} - 12503$.

Step 2e: Else If $\text{tax} \leftarrow 0.45 \times \text{income} - 26903$.

Step 3: Print tax.

a. Calculate tax for 200000.

$200000 \times 0.45 - 26903 = 63097$

b. Calculate tax for 45888.

$45888 \times 0.325 - 8453 = 6460.6$

c. Calculate tax for 90001.

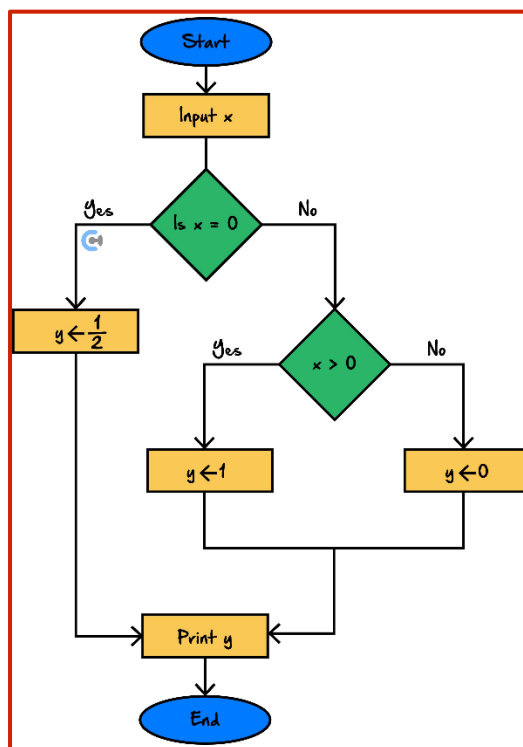
$$90001 \times 0.37 - 12503 = 20797.37$$

Question 6



a. Using a flowchart, describe an algorithm of the following hybrid function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & x = 0 \end{cases}$$



b. Write an algorithm for the following hybrid function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 3 \\ 0 & x = 3 \\ -1 & x < 3 \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Input x

Step 2: **If $x > 3$, $y \leftarrow 1$**

else if $x = 3$, then $y \leftarrow 0$

else $y \leftarrow -1$

Step 3: print y

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Sub-Section [2.4.3]: Understand and Evaluate Algorithms with Loops

Question 7



Check whether the following algorithm has any problems. If there is a problem, state the problem; if there is no problem, give the final output of the algorithm.

Step 1: $A \leftarrow 60$

Step 2: $A \leftarrow 2A - 50$

Step 3: Repeat 2 while $A > 60$.

It goes on infinitely. The condition of the loop is ALWAYS met.

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Question 8

Evaluate the final output.

```

 $a \leftarrow 1$ 
 $b \leftarrow 1$ 
while  $a + b < 7$ 
     $b \leftarrow b - 2$ 
     $a \leftarrow a + 3.$ 
end while
print  $a, b.$ 

```

$a = 13$ and $b = -7.$

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Question 9

a. Evaluate the final output:

```

c ← 0
for a from 1 to 2
  for b from 1 to 2
    c ← c - ab
  end for
end for
print c.

```

$a = 13$ and $b = -7$.

a	b	c
1	1	-1
	2	-3
2	1	-5
	2	-9

Ans : $c = -9$.

b. Construct an algorithm that outputs the largest multiple of 5 that is less than or equal to 100.

Step 1: $x \leftarrow 0$
 Step 2: $x \leftarrow x + 5$
 Step 3: Repeat 2 while $x \leq 100$.
 Step 4: Print x .

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Sub-Section [2.4.4]: Write and Evaluate Functions using Pseudocode

Question 10



Using pseudocode, define a function for finding each of the following:

- a. Finding the area of the triangle given base and height.

Define area for (b, h)

$$A \leftarrow \frac{1}{2}bh$$

return A .

- b. Finding the surface area of a sphere given radius.

Define area sphere (r)

$$A \leftarrow 4\pi r^2$$

return A .

- c. Define a function for modulus.

Define modulus (X)

if $X > 0$

return X

else

return $-X$.


Question 11

Evaluate the following algorithm:

- a.** $A \leftarrow []$
 for n from 1 to 6
 if $n = \text{even}$ then
 append 1 to A .
 else
 append 0 to A .

$A = [0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]$

- b.** $A \leftarrow []$
 for n from 1 to 5
 $B \leftarrow 2n + 1$
 append B to A .

$A = [3, 5, 7, 9, 11]$

- c. $A \leftarrow [1, 1]$
 for n from 1 to 5
 $x \leftarrow A[n] + A[n + 1]$
 append x to A .

$A = [1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13]$

Question 12



Using pseudocode, construct an algorithm for the following:

- a. Find the biggest possible product from any 2 numbers from the list = (23, 5, 2, 56, 34).

NOTE: Cannot multiply numbers by themselves.

```

Maxproduct= 1
for a from 1 to 5
  for b from 1 to 5
    if a = b
      break
    else
      product = A[a] × A[b]
      if product ≥ max product
        max product ← product
    end for.
  end for.
print "maxproduct"
  
```

b. Find the smallest possible sum of 2 numbers from the same list as **part a**.

```

A ← [23, 5, 2, 56, 34]  minsum = 1000
for a from 1 to 5
  for b from 1 to 5
    if a = b
      return
    else
      sum = A[a] + A[b]
      if sum ≤ minsum
        minsum ← sum
  end for.
end for.
print "minsum"

```

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Sub-Section: Final Boss

Question 13

Consider the sequence 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19... $3(n - 1) + 1$.

Using pseudocode, write an algorithm for:

- a. Calculate the sum of the even terms in the sequence up to the n^{th} term.

```

Step 1: input int (n), sum ← 0
Step 2: for x from 1 to n
    if x =even
        term ← 3(x - 1) + 1
        sum ← sum +term
    end for.
Step 3: print sum.
    
```

- b. Calculate the product of the odd terms in the sequence up to the n^{th} term.

```

Step 1: input int (n), prod ← 1
Step 2: for x from 1 to n
    if x =odd
        term ← 3(x - 1) + 1
        prod ← prod × term
    end for.
Step 3: print prod.
    
```

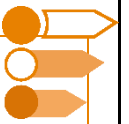
- c. Construct a table of values to demonstrate each algorithm when $n = 5$.

x	sum	x	prod
1	0	1	1
2	4	2	1
3	4	3	7
4	14	4	7
5	14	5	91

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Section B: Supplementary Questions

Sub-Section [2.4.1]: Write and Understand Basic Algorithms



Question 14



Construct an algorithm that multiplies any input given by 10.

Step 1. Input A ,

Step 2. $A \leftarrow 10A$

Step 3. Print A .

Question 15



Construct an algorithm that adds any input given by 5.

Step 1. Input A ,

Step 2. $A \leftarrow A + 5$

Step 3. Print A .

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Question 16

Construct an algorithm that subtracts any input given by 5 and multiplies by 2.

Step 1. Input A ,

Step 2. $A \leftarrow 1/2A - 5$

Step 3. Print A .

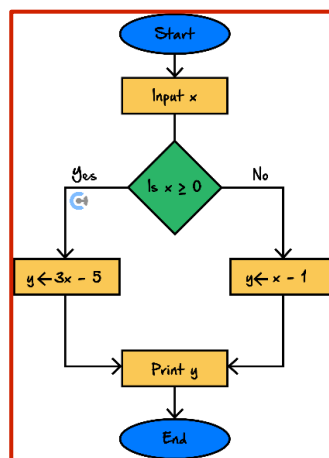
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Sub-Section [2.4.2]: Understanding and Evaluating Algorithms that have Conditional Statements and Represent Hybrid Functions as Algorithms

Question 17

Using a flowchart, describe an algorithm of the following hybrid function.

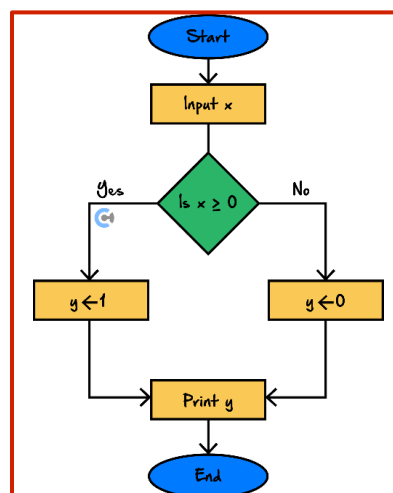
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 3x - 5 & x \geq 0 \\ x - 1 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Question 18

Using a flowchart, describe an algorithm of the following hybrid function.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$$



Question 19


Turn the following function into an algorithm.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & x \geq 1 \\ -2x + 1 & x < 1 \end{cases}$$

Step 1: Input x

Step 2: If $x \geq 1$, then $y \leftarrow x^2$

else $y \leftarrow -2x + 1$

Step 3: Print y.

Question 20


Turn the following function into an algorithm.

$$f(x) = \max\{n \in \mathbb{R} | n \leq x\}$$

Step 1: input x

Step 2: $y \leftarrow \max\{n \in \mathbb{R} | n \leq x\}$

Step 3: print y.

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Sub-Section [2.4.3]: Understand and Evaluate Algorithms with Loops

Question 21



Check whether the following algorithm has any problems. If there is a problem, state the problem; if there is no problem, give the final output of the algorithm.

Step 1: $A \leftarrow 30$

Step 2: $A \leftarrow 3A - 20$

Step 3: Repeat 2 while $A > 65$.

It goes on infinitely. The condition of the loop is ALWAYS met.

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Question 22


Evaluate the following algorithm:

```

for  $a$  from 1 to 10
  if  $a = \text{even}$ , then
    print "yes"
  else
    print "no"
end for.
    
```

no yes no yes no yes no yes

Question 23


Check whether the following algorithm has any problems. If there is a problem, state the problem; if there is no problem, give the final output of the algorithm.

```

Step 1:  $A \leftarrow 60$ 
Step 2:  $A \leftarrow 2A - 50$ 
Step 3: Repeat 2 while  $A \leq 130$ .
    
```

$A = 210$


Question 24

Evaluate the following output:

```

a ← 5
b ← 10
if a − b < 5
    a ← a − 5
    b ← b − 10
end if
print a, b.
    
```

$a = 0, b = 0.$

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Sub-Section [2.4.4]: Write and Evaluate Functions using Pseudocode

Question 25



```

A ← [ ]
for n from 1 to 5
    append n to A.
    if n = 1, then
        return
    else
         $A = \sqrt{n^2 + A[n - 1]}$ 
        if A = integer
            print “A[n − 1], n, A is a perfect triangle.”
end for.
    
```

3, 4, 5 is a perfect triangle.

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Question 26

- a. Roger decides to invest \$1000 at an interest rate of 10% compounded monthly. Construct an algorithm that computes the number of years needed for Roger's investment to double.

Step 1: $\tau \leftarrow 1000$, rate $\leftarrow 10$, $T \leftarrow 0$
 Step 2: $\tau \leftarrow \tau \times \left(1 + \frac{0.1}{12}\right)^{12}$, $T \leftarrow T + 1$
 Step 3: repeat 2 while $\tau \leq 2000$.
 Step 4: print T .

- b. Jacob decides to invest \$500 at an interest rate of 15% compounded annually. Construct an algorithm that computes the number of years needed for Jacob's investment to increase by 50%.

Step 1: $\tau \leftarrow 500$, rate $\leftarrow 0.15$, $T \leftarrow 0$
 Step 2: $\tau \leftarrow \tau \times (1 + \text{rate})^1$, $T \leftarrow T + 1$
 Step 3: repeat 2 while $\tau \leq 750$.
 Step 4: print T .

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Question 27

Using pseudocode, write an algorithm to find all the primes less or equal to 100.

```

Prime 1st ← [1]      plistless = 1
For number from 2 to 100
  check ← 0
  For index from 1 to plistless
    if number / prime list [index] = int,
      check ← check + 1
    else
      return
  end for.

  if check = 0
    append number to prime list.
    plistless ← plistless + 1
  end for.
print "primelist"

```

Question 28


Using pseudocode, construct an algorithm for the following:

Find the shortest distance between any 2 **different** coordinates from the list of coordinates.

Y coord = [1, 35, 5, 41, 5]
X coord = [123, 2, 74, 213, 2]

```

Mindist = 300 [or any high enough initial number]
for a from 1 to 5
  for b from 1 to 5
    if a = b,
      break
    else
      distance =  $\sqrt{(x[a] - x[b])^2 + (y[a] - y[b])^2}$ 
      if distance ≤ mindist
        mindist ← distance
      end for.
    end for.
  end for.
print min dist.

```



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