

Question 1: (10 points)

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(a) What is the output from executing the following fragment? Write the word “error” instead of the output if executing the fragment would cause a run-time error.

```
M = [4 3 2; ...
     3 2 1; ...
     1 2 3];
for k = 1:3
    M(k,k) = M(M(k,k)-1, k);
end
disp(M)
```

Solution:

```
1     3     2
3     3     1
1     2     1
```

(b) Consider the script below which reads a plain text file:

```
% Read a text file

fid = fopen('myfile.txt','r');

m = 0; % Solution: initialize counter

while ~feof(fid)

    s = fgetl(fid);

    % Solution: increment counter of 1st three letters are 'POS'
    if length(s)>=3 && strcmp('POS',s(1:3))
        m = m + 1;
    end

end

disp(m) % Solution: display the no. of lines that start with 'POS'

fclose(fid);
```

Add code to the script to determine and print the number of lines in the file that begins with the string 'POS'. Do not modify or cross out the given statements and do not use built-in functions `find` or `strfind`.

Question 2: (20 points)

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(a) Implement function `findMaxInMatrix` as specified. *Do not* use any built-in functions other than `size`.

```
function [row,col] = findMaxInMatrix(M)
% M(row,col) is the largest value in matrix M. row and col are scalars.
% Assume M is not empty. If the max value appears in multiple
% locations in M, (row,col) may be any one of those locations.
```

Solution:

```
[nr,nc] = size(M);
row= 1;
col= 1;
for r=1:nr
    for c=1:nc
        if M(r,c) > M(row,col)
            row= r;
            col= c;
        end
    end
end
end
```

(b) Implement function `stringLengths` as specified.

```
function len = stringLengths(S)
% Find the lengths of the strings in S, a 1-d cell array of strings.
% len is a vector that has the same length as cell array S. len(k) is the
% length of the kth string in S. S is not empty.
```

Solution:

```
len= zeros(1,length(S)); % initialization is not necessary

for r= 1:length(S)
    len(r) = length(S{r});
end
```

Question 3: (25 points)

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Implement function `hide` as specified. *Do not* use vectorized code. Similar to the digital steganography problem in Project 4, you will modify the 3-d array of a color image by adding to (or subtracting from) the RGB values of a set of pixels.

```
function P = hide(P,vec,cs)
% Hide the values of vector vec in the image data array P, starting at pixel (1,cs).
% P is a 3-d uint8 array from a color image. (type uint8)
% vec is 1-d array of positive integer values; each value is less than 5. (type double)
% Each value of vec is to be added to (or subtracted from) an RGB value of one pixel,
% so the length of vec is the number of pixels to modify. For the kth pixel to be
% modified, select randomly one layer (red, green, or blue) with equal likelihood and
% add (or subtract) vec(k). Choose to add or subtract so that the range of type
% uint8 is handled correctly.
% cs is a valid column index of array P. Start the modification at pixel (1,cs),
% continue to the right, and if necessary continue on the rows below starting at
% column cs. (See example diagram at bottom of page.)
% Assume array P is big enough to hide all the values in vec.
```

Solution:

```
n= length(vec);
[nr,nc,np]= size(P);
k= 1;
r= 1;
c= cs;

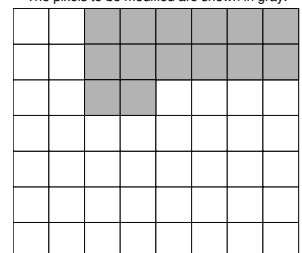
while k<=n

    % Modify P(r,c) at a randomly chosen layer
    layer= ceil(rand*3);

    if P(r,c,layer)>250 % other thresholds possible
        P(r,c,layer)= P(r,c,layer) - vec(k);
    else
        P(r,c,layer)= P(r,c,layer) + vec(k);
    end

    % update counters
    k= k+1;
    if c<nc
        c= c+1;
    else
        c= cs;
        r= r+1;
    end
end
```

Example: `cs=3` and `length(vec)=14`.
The pixels to be modified are shown in gray.



Question 4: (20 points)

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Consider a Student structure (struct) that has three fields: `name`, `netID`, and `major`. All three fields store strings. Assume that each student has only one major and can be in only one college. Implement function `committee` as specified. Your code should be efficient—avoid unnecessary iterations.

```
function committee(E,A)
% Display all possible 3-member committees with one Engineering and two A&S students.
% The three members must have DIFFERENT majors--e.g., an Engineering CS major and an
% A&S CS major cannot both be on a committee.
% E and A are 1-d arrays of Student structs; each array has a length greater than 2.
% Array E holds the data of the Engineering candidates; array A holds the data of the
% A&S candidates.
% For each possible committee, display the NetIDs of the three members on one line.
% Display only unique committees. For example, the committees "ac14 raf9 jer88" and
% "ac14 jer88 raf9" are duplicates and should not both be displayed.
```

Solution:

```
for i= 1:length(E)
    for j= 1:length(A)-1
        for k= j+1:length(A)
            if ~strcmp(E(i).major, A(j).major) && ...
                ~strcmp(A(j).major, A(k).major) && ...
                ~strcmp(E(i).major, A(k).major)
                disp([E(i).netID ' ' A(j).netID ' ' A(k).netID])
            end
        end
    end
end
```

A more efficient solution:

```
for i= 1:length(E)
    for j= 1:length(A)-1
        if ~strcmp(E(i).major, A(j).major)
            for k= j+1:length(A)
                if ~strcmp(A(j).major, A(k).major) && ...
                    ~strcmp(E(i).major, A(k).major)
                    disp([E(i).netID ' ' A(j).netID ' ' A(k).netID])
                end
            end
        end
    end
end
```

Question 5: (25 points)

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Consider the string 'matt uses matlab'. We say that the word 'uses' is located at index 6; i.e., the location of a word in a string is the index of the first letter of the word. Implement function `findPrefix` as specified. Note the example on the bottom of the page. *The only built-in functions allowed are `size`, `length`, `strcmp`, and `cell`.*

```
function C = findPrefix(M,p)
% Locate in matrix M all the words that begin with the string in p.
% M is a 2-d array of characters.
% p is a 1-d array of characters and is the prefix to locate.
% Assume all letters in M and p are in lower case.
% C is a 1-d cell array. The rth cell in C is a vector, possibly empty, storing
% the locations (column indices) of the prefix p in row r of matrix M.
```

Example: The function call `C = findPrefix(M, 'mat')` where

```
M= ['there is a mat in the lab'; ...
    'there is a bat in the lab'; ...
    'matt uses matlab on a mat'; ...
    'format a plot in matlab ']
```

results in a cell array `C` of length 4. The first cell stores the value 12, the second cell stores the empty vector, the third cell stores the vector `[1 11 23]`, and the fourth cell stores the value 18.

Solution:

```
n= length(p);
[nr,nc]= size(M);

C= cell(nr,1); % this initialization is not necessary

for r= 1:nr

    % Check row r of matrix M for the prefix
    v= [];

    for c= 1:nc-n+1

        if strcmp(M(r,c:c+n-1),p) && (c==1 || M(r,c-1)==' ')

            v= [v c];
        end
    end

    C{r}= v;
end
```