

## Exercise 1a

- a) Consider one of the provided files (<https://github.com/MeikeWeiss/GAP-Days2025-Intro/tree/master/Exercise1/Exercise1a>), read the code and find the (syntax) errors by loading it in your GAP session.
- FirstSquares
  - Factorial
  - Signum
  - SortList
- b) Lists:
- Compute the sum of the first 100 numbers using a for (and while) loop.
  - Define a list of integers and compute the list consisting of their squares. Try to do this just by using one command.
  - Define a list of integers and compute the sublist consisting of those that are even. Try to do this just by using one command.
- c) Groups:
- Let  $G$  be the group generated by  $(1, 2, 3, 4), (5, 6, 7, 8), (1, 5)(2, 6)(3, 7)(4, 8)$ . Compute the order of  $G$  and show that  $G$  is not abelian. Additionally, compute the center of  $G$  and show that it is a cyclic group of order four and that it has index 8.
  - Given a set  $S$  of elements in a given group, compute a smaller subset consisting of  $S$ -conjugate representatives (within  $S$ ). (Intermediate)
  - More exercises can be found here <https://www.ilariacolazzo.info/gap/tutorials/sheet2/>.
- d) Matrices:
- Create a square matrix  $M$  and a vector  $v$  and compute  $M * v$  and  $v * M$ .
  - Determine the determinant, the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors.

## Exercise 1b

Write functions, that accomplish the following. Also test them for a sensible number of inputs, so that the correctness is somewhat ensured.

- Easy
  - The Wythoff function, i.e. a generalisation of the Fibonacci function where the starting integers can be freely chosen
  - \* Compute the greatest common divisor by using the Euclidean algorithm
  - A *FizzBuzz* function, i.e. takes an integer  $n$  as input and returns a list with  $n$  entries, where entry  $i$  is
    - (i) **FizzBuzz** if  $i$  is divisible by 3 and 5
    - (ii) **Fizz** if  $i$  is divisible by 3
    - (iii) **Buzz** if  $i$  is divisible by 5
    - (iv)  $i$  if none of the above are true
  - A palindrome checker, i.e. for an input string if the reverse of that string is the same.
- Intermediate
  - A function that solves the word problem in  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$  for a given integer  $n$  and list of generators. E.g. find a word  $(a_i)_{1 \leq i \leq k} \in \{3, 5\}$  such that  $\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^k a_i\right) \bmod n\right) = t$  for a provided target  $t$ .
  - \* A function which computes the sign of a given permutation, which is of type permutation.

\* These functions do have built in equivalents, which can be used to check whether your function works as expected.