
CS 61A Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs

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MIDTERM SOLUTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS

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- ☐ You must choose either this option
- ☐ Or this one, but not both!

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- ☐ You could select this choice.
- ☐ You could select this one too!

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Preliminaries

You can complete and submit these questions before the exam starts.

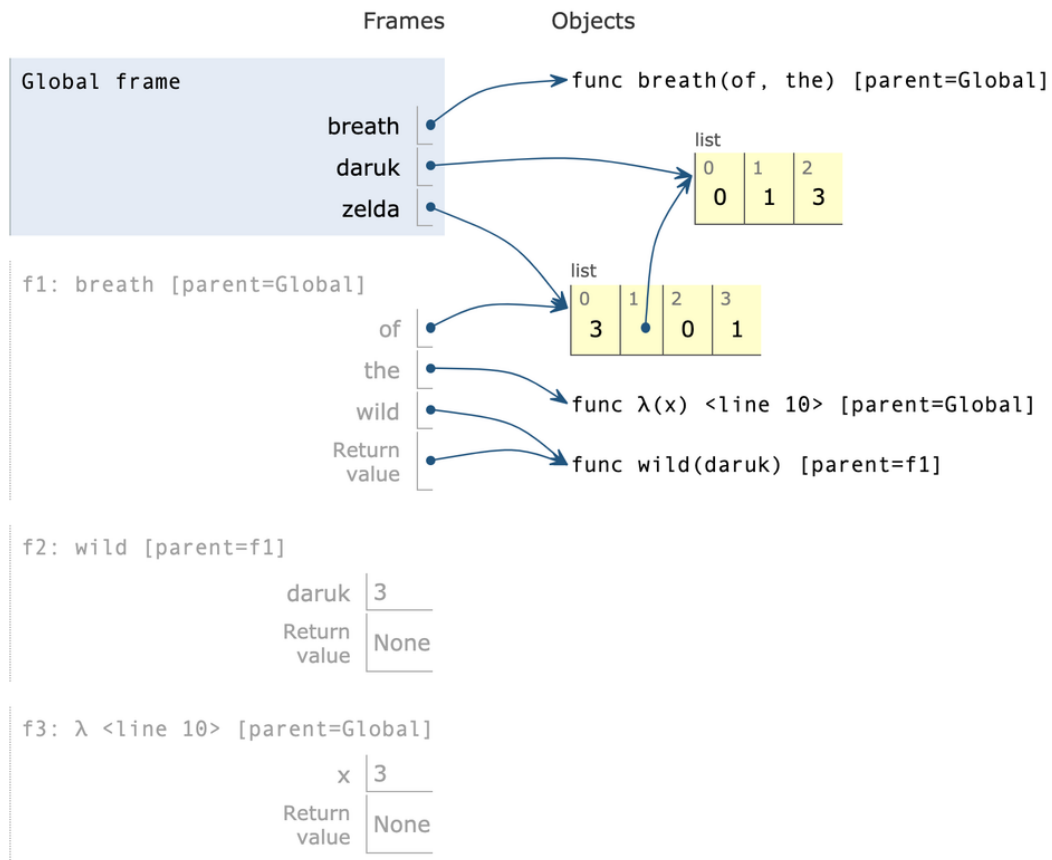
- (a) What is your full name?

- (b) What is your student ID number?

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1. Breath of the Environment

(a) The following environment diagram was generated by a program:



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In this series of questions, you'll fill in the blanks of the program that follows so that its execution matches the environment diagram.

```
def breath(of, the):
    def wild(daruk):
        of.extend(____(a)____)
        ____ (b) ____ (____ (c) ____ )
    return wild

daruk = [0, 1]
zelda = [3, daruk]
breath(zelda, _____ (d) _____) (3)
```

i. Which of these could fill in blank (a)? **Select all that apply!**

- ☒ `zelda[1]`
- ☐ `daruk`
- ☐ `daruk[1]`
- ☒ `of[1]`
- ☐ `of[1:]`
- ☐ `[1, 3]`
- ☐ `zelda`

ii. Which of these could fill in blank (b)?

- ☐ `breath`
- ☐ `(lambda x: zelda[1].extend([daruk]))`
- ☐ `daruk`
- ☐ `wild`
- ☒ `the`
- ☐ `zelda`
- ☐ `(lambda x: x)(3)`

iii. Which of these could fill in blank (c)? **Select all that apply!**

- ☒ `3`
- ☐ `(lambda x: x)(3)`
- ☒ `zelda[0]`
- ☐ `zelda.pop(0)`
- ☐ `zelda.append(3)`
- ☒ `of[0]`
- ☒ `daruk`

iv. Which of these could fill in blank (d)?

- ☐ `lambda x: None`
- ☐ `[z + 1 for z in daruk]`
- ☒ `lambda x: zelda[1].append(x)`
- ☐ `lambda x: zelda[1].extend([daruk])`
- ☐ `the(daruk)`
- ☐ `lambda x: zelda[1] + [3]`

2. LIST-en Up!

(a) Order in the Court!

Write a function `order_order` which takes a non-empty list of 2-argument functions `operators` and returns a new 2-argument function. When called, this returned function should print the result of applying the first function in `operators` to the two parameters passed in. It should then return another function that applies the second function in `operators` to the parameters, and so on. When the returned function has called the last function in the `operators` list, it should cycle back to the beginning of the list and use the first function again on the next call.

See the doctest for an example.

```
def order_order(operators):
    """
    >>> from operator import add, mul, sub
    >>> ops = [add, mul, sub]
    >>> order = order_order(ops)
    >>> order = order(1, 2) # applies add and returns mul
    3
    >>> order = order(1, 2) # applies mul and returns sub
    2
    >>> order = order(1, 2) # applies sub and cycles back to return add
    -1
    >>> order = order(1, 2) # cycles back to applying add
    3
    >>> order = order(1, 2)
    2
    >>> order = order(1, 2)
    -1
    """
    def apply(x, y):
        print(_____)
        #           (a)
        return order_order(_____)
        #                               (b)
    return _____
    #           (c)
```

i. What line of code could go in blank (a)?

`operators [0] (x, y)`

ii. What line of code could go in blank (b)?

`operators[1:] + [operators[0]]`

iii. What line of code could go in blank (c)?

`apply`

(b) Skipping Around

A skip list is defined as a sublist of a list such that each element in the sublist is non adjacent in the original list. For original list [5, 6, 8, 2], the lists [5, 8], [5, 2], [6, 2], [5], [6], [8], [2], [] are all skip lists of the original list. The empty list is always a skip list of any list.

Given a list `int_lst` of unique integers, return a list of all unique skip lists of `int_lst` where **each skip list contains integers in strictly increasing order**. The order in which the skip lists are returned does not matter.

```
def list_skipper(int_lst):
    """
    >>> list_skipper([5,6,8,2])
    [[5, 8], [5], [6], [8], [2], []]
    >>> list_skipper([1,2,3,4,5])
    [[1, 3, 5], [1, 3], [1, 4], [1, 5], [1], [2, 4], [2, 5], [2], [3, 5], [3], [4], [5], []]
    >>> list_skipper([])
    [[]]
    """
    if len(int_lst) == 0:
        return -----
            # (a)
    with_first = -----
            # (b)
    without_first = -----
            # (c)
    with_first = [ ----- for x in with_first if x == [] or -----]
            # (d)                                     (e)
    return with_first + without_first
```

i. What line of code could go in blank (a)?

[[[]]]

ii. Which of these could fill in blank (b)?

- ☐ `list_skipper(int_lst)`
- ☐ `list_skipper(int_lst[1:])`
- ☒ `list_skipper(int_lst[2:])`
- ☐ `list_skipper(int_lst[0])`
- ☐ `list_skipper(int_lst[: -1])`

iii. What line of code could go in blank (c)?

`list_skipper(int_lst[1:])`

iv. Which of these could fill in blank (d)?

- ☐ x
- ☐ x[0]
- ☐ [x[0]] + int_lst
- ☒ [int_lst[0]] + x
- ☐ int_lst.append(x)
- ☐ x.append(int_lst)

v. Which of these could fill in blank (e)?

- ☐ x[0] < int_lst[0]
- ☐ x < int_lst[0]
- ☒ x[0] > int_lst[0]
- ☐ x > int_lst[0]
- ☐ x[0] == int_lst[1]
- ☐ len(x) < len(int_lst)

3. Growing Up

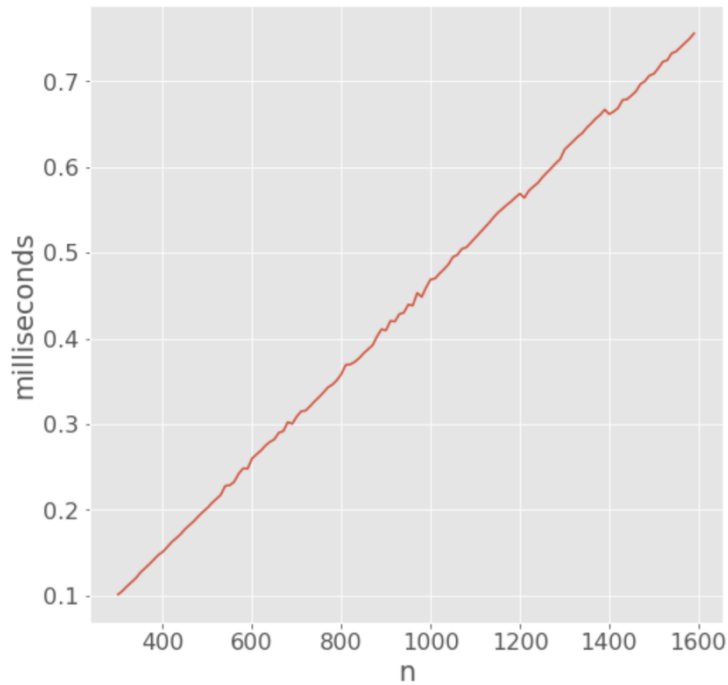
- (a) Examine the `mystery1` function below which takes in a single positive integer parameter `n`:

```
def mystery1(n):  
    i = 1  
    total = 0  
    while i <= n:  
        if len([j for j in range(2, n + 1) if i % j == 0]) > 1:  
            total = total + 1  
        i = i + 1  
    return total
```

- i. Select the option indicating the *worst-case* order of growth of the runtime of `mystery1`.

- ☐ Constant: $O(1)$
- ☐ Logarithmic: $O(\log_2 n)$
- ☐ Linear: $O(n)$
- ☒ Quadratic: $O(n^2)$
- ☐ Exponential: $O(2^n)$

- (b) Assume that there exists a `mystery2` function which takes in a single positive integer parameter `n`. The below graph compares `n` to the *worst-case* time it takes to evaluate `mystery2(n)`.



You may assume that `mystery2(n)`'s runtime follows a similar trend for all values of `n`.

- i. Select the option best matching the *worst-case* order of growth of the runtime of `mystery2`.
- ☐ Constant: $O(1)$
 - ☐ Logarithmic: $O(\log_2 n)$
 - ☒ Linear: $O(n)$
 - ☐ Quadratic: $O(n^2)$
 - ☐ Exponential: $O(2^n)$

4. Maximum Exponentiation

- (a) For a list of integers `values`, define the **maximum exponentiation** of `values` to be the largest single number that can be achieved by repeatedly combining pairs of consecutive elements from `values` through exponentiation. Two possible exponentiations for the list `[3, 1, 2, 3]` are shown below:

```
(3 ** 1) ** (2 ** 3) = 6561
```

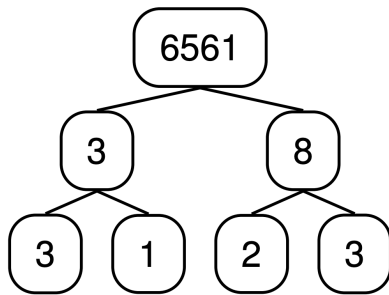
```
(3 ** (1 ** 2)) ** 3 = 27
```

Of all the exponentiations of `[3, 1, 2, 3]`, the maximum exponentiation is 6561, which can be calculated through the below steps:

```
[3, 1, 2, 3]
[3 ** 1, 2, 3]
[3, 2, 3]
[3, 2 ** 3]
[3, 8]
[3 ** 8]
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```

Implement `exp_tree`, which accepts a non-empty list of integers `values` and returns a tree whose label is the maximum exponentiation of `values`. Given that the maximum exponentiation is `b ** n` for some two integers `b` and `n`, the two branches of this tree should be the `exp_trees` of the sublists of `values` used to exponentiate to `b` and `n`, respectively. You may assume that `values` has a unique exponentiation tree.

For example, below is a drawing of the `exp_tree` for `values = [3, 1, 2, 3]`:



The function should assume the standard CS61A Tree ADT definition, which is already loaded into `code.cs61a.org`, and is viewable here: code.cs61a.org/tree_adt

Note: Exponentials in Python are expressed as `base ** exponent`.

```
def exp_tree(values):
    """
    Returns the exponential tree that can be made from VALUES
    with the greatest possible root label

    >>> print_tree(exp_tree([5]))
    5
    >>> print_tree(exp_tree([3, 2]))
    9
      3
      2
    >>> print_tree(exp_tree([2, 3, 2]))
    512
      2
      9
        3
        2
    >>> lst = [3, 1, 2, 3]
```

```

>>> print_tree(exp_tree(lst))
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  3
   3
    1
     8
      2
       3
      """
if ____:
    # (a)
    return ____
    # (b)
else:
    def tree_at_split(i):
        base = exp_tree(____)
        # (c)
        exponent = exp_tree(____)
        # (d)
        return tree(____, [base, exponent])
        # (e)
    trees = [tree_at_split(i) for i in range(1, len(values))]
    return max(trees, key=____)
    # (f)

```

i. Which of these could fill in blank (a)?

- ☐ len(values) == 0
- ☒ len(values) == 1
- ☐ values
- ☐ len(values) == 2
- ☐ values[0] < values[1]
- ☐ len(values) <= 2
- ☐ len(values) <= 3

ii. Which of these could fill in blank (b)?

- ☐ 0
- ☐ tree(0)
- ☐ values[0]
- ☒ tree(values[0])
- ☐ values[1]
- ☐ tree(values[1])
- ☐ values[0] ** values[1]
- ☐ tree(values[0] ** values[1])
- ☐ values[1] ** values[0]
- ☐ tree(values[1] ** values[0])

- iii. What line of code could go in blank (c)?

```
values[:i]
```

- iv. What line of code could go in blank (d)?

```
values[i:]
```

- v. What line of code could go in blank (e)?

```
label(base) ** label(exponent)
```

- vi. What line of code could go in blank (f)?

```
label
```

5. You've Seen it All

(a) Wait 'til You See What's in Store

Implement `memory_store`, a function that will return two functions: `add_val` and `times_seen`. When called on a number `var1`, `times_seen` will return the number of times `add_val` has been called on that particular value `var1`.

```
def memory_store():
    """
    >>> add_val, times_seen = memory_store()
    >>> add_val(4)
    >>> for _ in range(3):
    ...     add_val(3)
    >>> times_seen(3)
    3
    >>> times_seen(4)
    1
    >>> times_seen(2)
    0
    >>> add_val(3)
    >>> times_seen(3)
    4
    """
    memory = {}
    def add_val(var1):
        if var1 in memory:
            -----
            #         (a)
        else:
            -----
            #         (b)
    def times_seen(var1):
        return -----
        #         (c)
    return add_val, times_seen
```

i. Which of these could fill in blank (a)?

- ☐ `memory[var1] = 0`
- ☐ `memory[var1] = var1`
- ☐ `memory.append(var1)`
- ☒ `memory[var1] = memory[var1] + 1`
- ☐ `return memory[var1]`
- ☐ `return memory[0]`
- ☐ `return memory.get(var1, 0)`

ii. What line of code could go in blank (b)?

`memory[var1] = 1`

- iii. What line of code could go in blank (c)?

```
memory.get(var1, 0)
```

(b) XKSeenD

Definition: A repeatable function is a function that returns another repeatable function, which also returns a repeatable function, and so on infinitely.

Implement the function `add_seen_d`, which takes in an integer `d` and returns a repeatable function `inner`.

When `inner` is called on an integer `innervar`, it prints the sum of all integers that have been passed to `inner` at least `d` times so far among the repeated calls.

You will need to implement the helper function `make_seen_function`, which returns a seen function. A seen function is a function that takes in a value and returns the number of times the number has been seen already.

You may not use lists, dictionaries, or the function defined in 4.1 in this part.

```
initial_seen = lambda x: 0
def add_seen_d(d, seen_fn=initial_seen, total=0):
    """
    >>> a = add_seen_d(2)
    >>> a = a(3)
    0
    >>> a = a(4)
    0
    >>> a = a(3) # 3 seen for the 2nd time, thus added
    3
    >>> a = a(3) # 3 seen for the 3rd time, and won't be added again
    3
    >>> a = a(4) # 4 seen for the 2nd time, thus added
    7
    >>> a = a(5) # 5 is seen for the 1st time, so not added
    7
    """
    def inner(innervar):
        new_seen = -----
                    # (a)
        if new_seen(innervar) == d:
            print(-----)
                    # (b)
            return -----
                    # (c)
        else:
            print(-----)
                    # (d)
            return add_seen_d(d, new_seen, total)
    return inner

def make_seen_function(f, msvar):
    def seen(seenvar):
        if msvar == seenvar:
            return -----
                    # (e)
        return -----
                    # (f)
    return seen
```

i. Which of these could fill in blank (a)?

- ☐ `seen_fn`
- ☐ `lambda x: seen_fn(x) + 1`
- ☐ `make_seen_function(seen_fn, d)`
- ☒ `make_seen_function(seen_fn, innervar)`
- ☐ `make_seen_function(lambda x: seen_fn(x) + 1, d)`
- ☐ `make_seen_function(lambda x: seen_fn(x) + 1, innervar)`

ii. What line of code could go in blank (b)?

(You may not use lists, dictionaries, or the function defined in 4.1 in this part)

```
total + innervar
```

iii. What line of code could go in blank (c)?

(You may not use lists, dictionaries, or the function defined in 4.1 in this part)

```
add_seen_d(d, new_seen, total + innervar)
```

iv. What line of code could go in blank (d)?

(You may not use lists, dictionaries, or the function defined in 4.1 in this part)

```
total
```

v. Which of these could fill in blank (e)? **Select all that apply!**

- ☐ `f(msvar)`
- ☐ `f(seenvar)`
- ☒ `1 + f(msvar)`
- ☒ `1 + f(seenvar)`
- ☐ `f(msvar) + f(seenvar)`
- ☐ `f(seenvar) - msvar`

vi. What line of code could go in blank (f)?

(You may not use lists, dictionaries, or the function defined in 4.1 in this part)

```
f(seenvar)
```

No more questions.