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# CS 61A      Structure and Interpretation of Computer Programs

## Spring 2013

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MIDTERM 1

### INSTRUCTIONS

- You have 2 hours to complete the exam.
- The exam is closed book, closed notes, closed computer, closed calculator, except one hand-written 8.5" × 11" crib sheet of your own creation and the official 61A midterm 1 study guide attached to the back of this exam.
- Mark your answers ON THE EXAM ITSELF. If you are not sure of your answer you may wish to provide a *brief* explanation.

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### 1. (12 points) Call Me Maybe

For each of the following call expressions, write the value to which it evaluates *and* what would be output by the interactive Python interpreter. The first two rows have been provided as examples.

- In the **Evaluates to** column, write the value to which the expression evaluates. If it evaluates to a function value, write `FUNCTION`. If evaluation causes an error, write `ERROR`.
- In the column labeled **Interactive Output**, write all output that would be displayed during an interactive session, after entering each call expression. This output may have multiple lines. Whenever the interpreter would report an error, write `ERROR`. You *should* include any lines displayed before an error.

Assume that you have started Python 3 and executed the following statements:

```
from operator import add, mul
def mulled(x, y):
    return mul(x, add(y, x))

def fauxpose(f, g):
    print('maybe')
    def h(x, y):
        f(x, y)
        return g(x, y)
    return h
```

Expression	Evaluates to	Interactive Output
<code>mulled(5, 5)</code>	50	50
<code>1/0</code>	ERROR	ERROR
<code>mulled(4, 1)</code>		
<code>add(mulled(3, 2), print(4))</code>		
<code>print(3, print(5, print(1)))</code>		
<code>fauxpose(add, mul)(3, 2)</code>		
<code>fauxpose(mul, print)(4, 1)</code>		
<code>fauxpose(fauxpose, mulled)(2, 5)</code>		

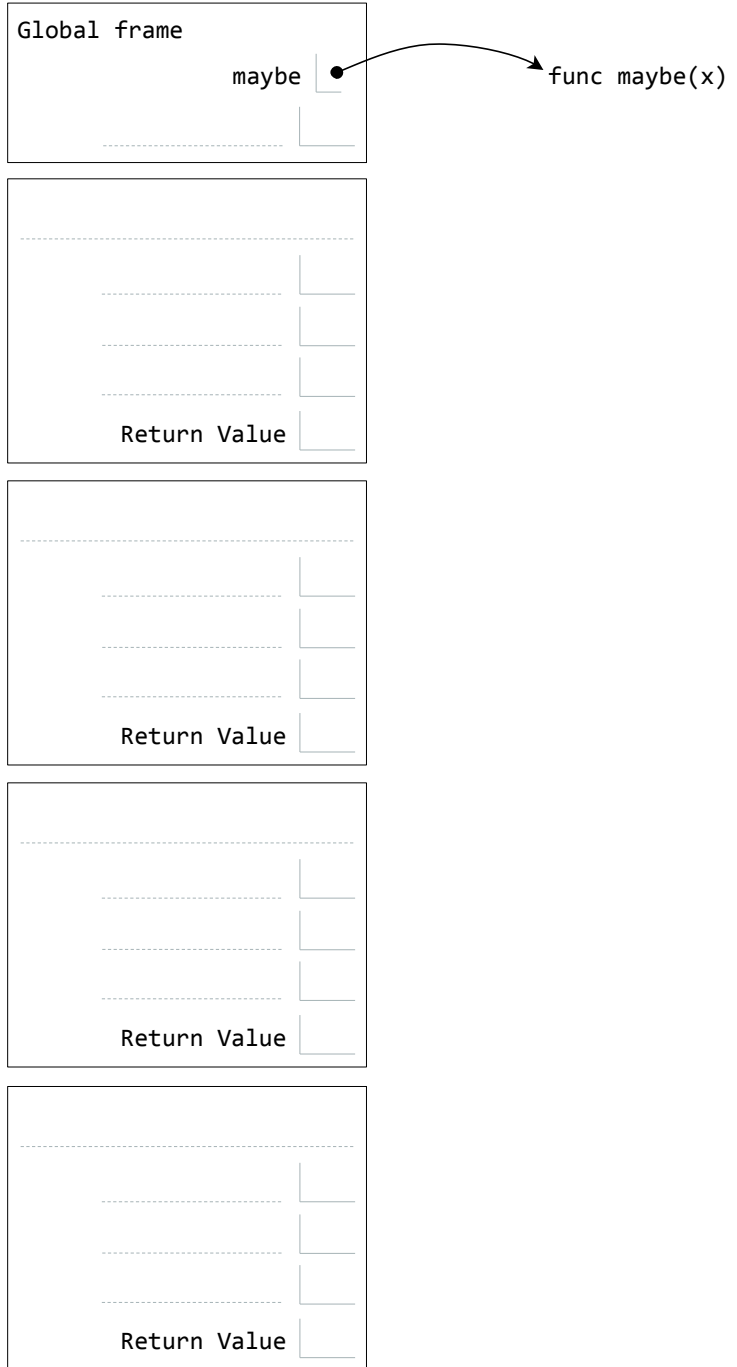
2. (12 points) We Are All Environmentalists

(a) (6 pt) Fill in the environment diagram that results from executing the code below until the entire program is finished, an error occurs, or all frames are filled. You need only show the final state of each frame. *You may not need to use all of the spaces or frames.*

A complete answer will:

- Add all missing names, labels, and parent annotations to all local frames.
- Add all missing values created during execution.
- Show the return value for each local frame.

```
def maybe(x):  
    next = lambda y: y - 1  
    x += 3  
    def year(z):  
        return next(z + x) * 2  
    return year  
  
x = maybe(2)(4)
```



(b) (6 pt) Fill in the environment diagram that results from executing the code below until the entire program is finished, an error occurs, or all frames are filled. You need only show the final state of each frame. *You may not need to use all of the spaces or frames.*

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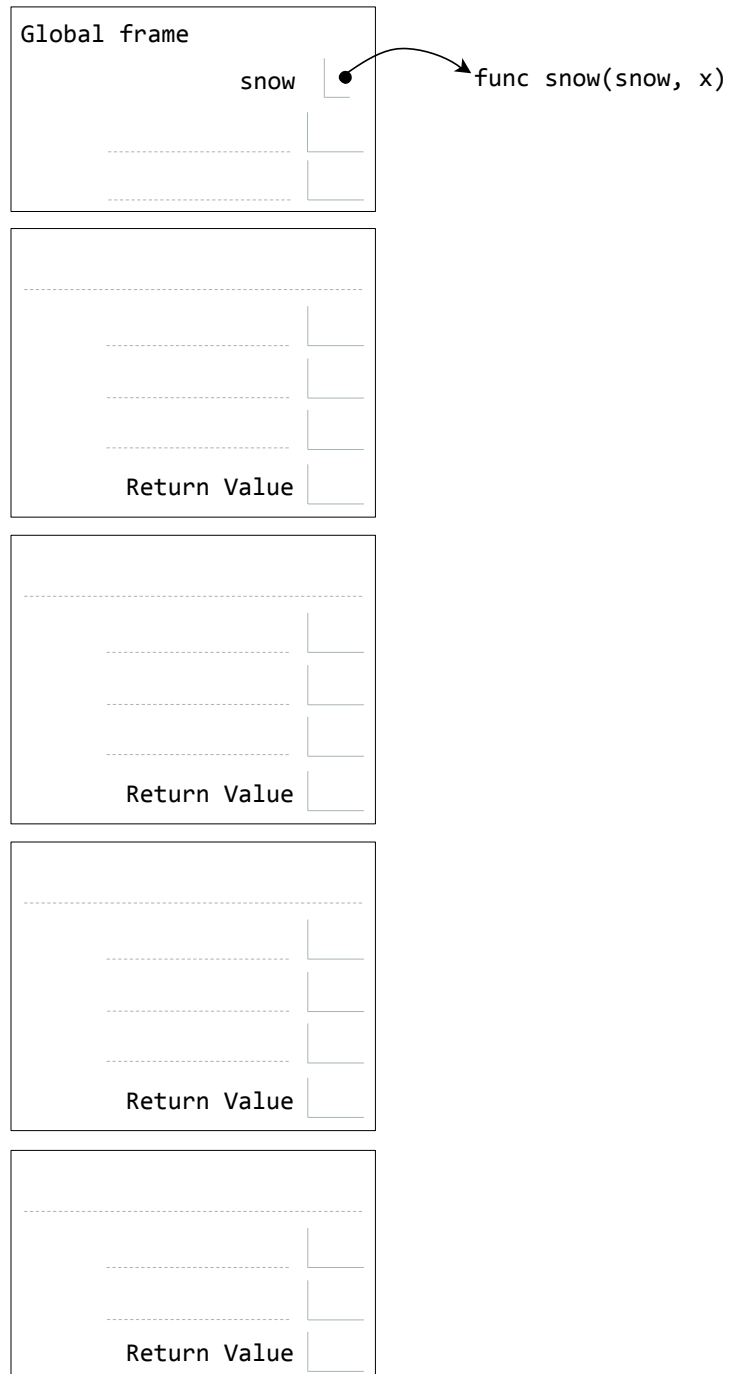
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```
def snow(snow, x):
    if snow(x, x) == x:
        def x(x):
            return 32
        return x(x)
    else:
        return snow(snow, x)

def flake(x, y):
    return y + x - 1

griffin = snow(flake, 1)
```

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**3. (6 points) A Higher Order of Protection**

Louis Reasoner is making a web application, and he wants to secure it. (Good for him!) One of the ways he wants to secure it is through checking to make sure that the user is an admin when it tries to visit certain confidential pages. So, being a silly programmer, he does the following.

```
def delete_everything(is_admin, request):
    if not is_admin:
        print('ERROR: not admin')
        return
    confirmation = do_bad_stuff(request) # BAD STUFF HAPPENS HERE
    return confirmation

def steal_credit_card_info(is_admin, request):
    if not is_admin:
        print('ERROR: not admin')
        return
    cc_info = hack_a_shaq(request) # DO SOME 1337 HAXORING
    return cc_info
```

However, Alyssa P. Hacker comes across this code, and realizes that there is a better way to do this using higher-order functions! She modifies the above as follows.

```
def delete_everything(request):
    confirmation = do_bad_stuff(request) # BAD STUFF HAPPENS HERE
    return confirmation
delete_everything = protect_me(delete_everything)

def steal_credit_card_info(request):
    cc_info = hack_a_shaq(request) # DO SOME 1337 H4XORING
    return cc_info
steal_credit_card_info = protect_me(steal_credit_card_info)
```

Help her to complete the code by filling in the function below. The new code should provide the same functionality as the original code. For example, calling `delete_everything(True, my_request)` should have the same effect in both versions of the code.

You may leave lines blank if you do not need them.

```
def protect_me(fn):
```

```
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    if not is_admin:
        print('ERROR: not admin')
        return

    return -----
-----
```

#### 4. (12 points) Da Visors Provide Protection from Puns

An integer  $d$  is a *divisor* of another integer  $n$  if it evenly divides  $n$ , i.e. the remainder is 0 when dividing  $n$  by  $d$ . The divisors of  $n$  include 1 and  $n$  itself.

- (a) Complete the function below to compute the number of positive divisors of a positive integer. Fill in the blanks. You may leave a line blank if you do not need it.

```

-----
def num_divisors(n):
    """Computes the number of positive divisors of a positive integer.

    >>> num_divisors(4)    # 1, 2, and 4
    3
    """
    i, count = 1, 0

    while -----:
        if -----:
            count = count + 1

    -----

    return count

```

- (b) Write a function that computes the sum of the positive divisors of a positive integer.

```

def sum_divisors(n):
    """Computes the sum of the positive divisors of a positive integer.

    >>> sum_divisors(4)    # 1 + 2 + 4
    7
    """

```

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- (c) A positive integer  $n$  is called *abundant* if the sum of its divisors (except  $n$  itself) is strictly larger than  $n$ . It is called *perfect* if the sum of its divisors (except  $n$  itself) is exactly equal to  $n$ . Finally,  $n$  is deficient if the sum of its divisors (excluding  $n$ ) is strictly less than  $n$ . Write a function that returns the string 'abundant' if the input  $n$  is abundant, 'perfect' if  $n$  is perfect, and 'deficient' if  $n$  is deficient. You may call `sum_divisors` and assume that it works correctly.

```
def describe(n):
    """Returns whether n is abundant, perfect, or deficient.

    >>> describe(4)      # 1 + 2 < 4
    'deficient'
    """
```

### 5. (8 points) Lambda the Free

Assume that you have started Python 3 and executed the following statements:

```

square = lambda x: x * x

def muckluck(x):
    square(square(x))

def apply(f, x):
    return f(x)

def apply_many(f, x, n):
    while n > 0:
        x = f(x)
    return x

def wut(f):
    return lambda f: f(x)

def pair(x, y):
    return lambda k: x if k == 0 else y

```

For each of the following call expressions, write the value to which it evaluates. If the value is a function value, write FUNCTION. If evaluation causes an error, write ERROR. If evaluation would run forever, write FOREVER.

Expression	Evaluates to
square	
muckluck(2)	
apply(pair, 3)	
wut(square)	
pair(3, 4)(1)	
pair(apply, square)(0)	
apply_many(square, 3, 0)	
apply_many(square, 3, 2)	



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**Import statement**

```

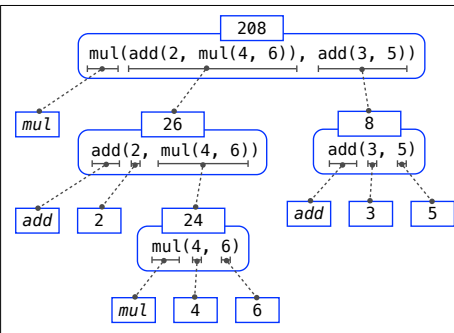
1 from math import pi
2 tau = 2 * pi

```

**Assignment statement**

**Code:**  
Statements and expressions  
Red arrow points to next line.  
Gray arrow points to the line just executed

**Frames:**  
A name is bound to a value  
In a frame, there is at most one binding per name



**Pure Functions**

```

-2 abs(number): 2
2, 10 pow(x, y): 1024

```

**Non-Pure Functions**

```

-2 print(...): None

```

display "-2"

```

1 from operator import mul
2 def square(x):
3     return mul(x, x)
4 square(-2)

```

**Built-in function**  
Global frame: mul, square

**User-defined function**  
Local frame: square (x: -2, Return value: 4)

**Formal parameter**: x  
**Return value**: 4  
Return value is not a binding!

**Defining:**  
Name: square  
Formal parameter: x  
Return expression: mul(x, x)  
Body (return statement): return mul(x, x)

**Call expression:** square(2+2)  
operator: square  
function: square  
operand: 2+2  
argument: 4

**Compound statement**  
Clause

```

<header>:
  <statement>
  <statement>
  ...
<separating header>:
  <statement>
  <statement>
  ...

```

**Suite**

A name evaluates to the value bound to that name in the earliest frame of the current environment in which that name is found.

```

1 from operator import mul
2 def square(x):
3     return mul(x, x)
4 square(square(3))

```

"mul" is not found

**Calling/Applying:** square(x)  
Argument: x  
Intrinsic name: square  
Return value: mul(x, x)

```

def abs_value(x):
  1 statement,
  3 clauses,
  3 headers,
  3 suites,
  2 boolean contexts
  if x > 0:
    return x
  elif x == 0:
    return 0
  else:
    return -x

```

**Evaluation rule for call expressions:**

1. Evaluate the operator and operand subexpressions.
2. Apply the function that is the value of the operator subexpression to the arguments that are the values of the operand subexpressions.

**Applying user-defined functions:**

1. Create a new local frame with the same parent as the function that was applied.
2. Bind the arguments to the function's formal parameter names in that frame.
3. Execute the body of the function in the environment beginning at that frame.

```

1 def f(x, y):
2     return g(x)
3
4 def g(a):
5     return a + y
6
7 result = f(1, 2)

```

"y" is not found

**Error**

- An environment is a sequence of frames
- An environment for a non-nested function (no def within def) consists of one local frame, followed by the global frame

**Execution rule for def statements:**

1. Create a new function value with the specified name, formal parameters, and function body.
2. Its parent is the first frame of the current environment.
3. Bind the name of the function to the function value in the first frame of the current environment.

**Execution rule for assignment statements:**

1. Evaluate the expression(s) on the right of the equal sign.
2. Simultaneously bind the names on the left to those values, in the first frame of the current environment.

**Execution rule for conditional statements:**  
Each clause is considered in order.

1. Evaluate the header's expression.
2. If it is a true value, execute the suite, then skip the remaining clauses in the statement.

**Evaluation rule for or expressions:**

1. Evaluate the subexpression <left>.
2. If the result is a true value v, then the expression evaluates to v.
3. Otherwise, the expression evaluates to the value of the subexpression <right>.

**Evaluation rule for and expressions:**

1. Evaluate the subexpression <left>.
2. If the result is a false value v, then the expression evaluates to v.
3. Otherwise, the expression evaluates to the value of the subexpression <right>.

**Evaluation rule for not expressions:**

1. Evaluate <exp>; The value is True if the result is a false value, and False otherwise.

**Execution rule for while statements:**

1. Evaluate the header's expression.
2. If it is a true value, execute the (whole) suite, then return to step 1.

**The global environment:**  
the environment with only the global frame

**A two-frame environment**  
Always extends

**A three-frame environment**  
Always extends

When a frame or function has no label [parent=\_\_\_] then its parent is always the global frame

A frame extends the environment that begins with its parent



**Higher-order function:** A function that takes a function as an argument value or returns a function as a return value

**Nested def statements:** Functions defined within other function bodies are bound to names in the local frame

```

def cube(k):
  return pow(k, 3)

def summation(n, term):
  """Sum the first n terms of a sequence.

  >>> summation(5, cube)
  255
  """
  total, k = 0, 1
  while k <= n:
    total, k = total + term(k), k + 1
  return total

```

Function of a single argument (not called term)

A formal parameter that will be bound to a function

The cube function is passed as an argument value

The function bound to term gets called here

0 + 1<sup>3</sup> + 2<sup>3</sup> + 3<sup>3</sup> + 4<sup>3</sup> + 5<sup>3</sup>

```
square = lambda x,y: x * y
```

A function with formal parameters  $x$  and  $y$  and body "return  $x * y$ "

Must be a single expression

Facts about print

- Non-pure function
  - Returns None
  - Multiple arguments are printed with a space between them
- ```
>>> print(4, 2)
4 2
```

```
square = lambda x: x * x
```

VS

```
def square(x):
    return x * x
```

- Both create a function with the same arguments & behavior
- Both of those functions are associated with the environment in which they are defined
- Both bind that function to the name "square"
- Only the def statement gives the function an intrinsic name

```
def make_adder(n):
    """Return a function that takes one argument k and returns k + n.
    """
```

A function that returns a function

```
>>> add_three = make_adder(3)
>>> add_three(4)
7
```

The name add\_three is bound to a function

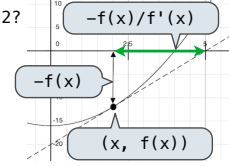
```
def adder(k):
    return k + n
return adder
```

A local def statement

Can refer to names in the enclosing function

How to find the square root of 2?

```
>>> f = lambda x: x*x - 2
>>> find_zero(f, 1)
1.4142135623730951
```



Begin with a function  $f$  and an initial guess  $x$

1. Compute the value of  $f$  at the guess:  $f(x)$
2. Compute the derivative of  $f$  at the guess:  $f'(x)$
3. Update guess to be:  $x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$

```
def iter_improve(update, done, guess=1, max_updates=1000):
    """Iteratively improve guess with update until done returns a true value.
    """
```

```
>>> iter_improve(golden_update, golden_test)
1.618033988749895
"""
k = 0
while not done(guess) and k < max_updates:
    guess = update(guess)
    k = k + 1
return guess
```

```
def newton_update(f):
    """Return an update function for f using Newton's method."""
```

```
def update(x):
    return x - f(x) / approx_derivative(f, x)
return update
```

```
def approx_derivative(f, x, delta=1e-5):
    """Return an approximation to the derivative of f at x."""
    df = f(x + delta) - f(x)
    return df/delta
```

```
def find_root(f, guess=1):
    """Return a guess of a zero of the function f, near guess.
    """
```

```
>>> from math import sin
>>> find_root(lambda y: sin(y), 3)
3.141592653589793
"""
return iter_improve(newton_update(f), lambda x: f(x) == 0, guess)
```

```
make_adder(1)(2)
```

```
make_adder(1) ( 2 )
```

Operator

Operand 0

An expression that evaluates to a function value

An expression that evaluates to any value

```
def square(x):
    return mul(x, x)
def sum_squares(x, y):
    return square(x)+square(y)
```

What does sum\_squares need to know about square?

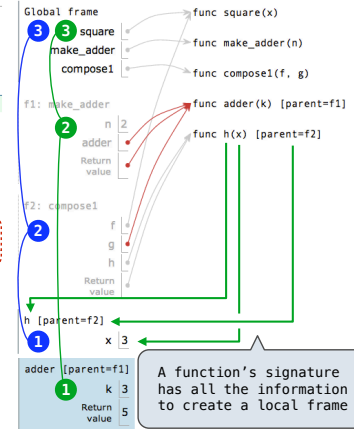
- Square takes one argument. **Yes**
- Square has the intrinsic name square. **No**
- Square computes the square of a number. **Yes**
- Square computes the square by calling mul. **No**

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|--------------|-------------------|
| Global frame | func factorial(n) |
| factorial    |                   |
| n            | 4                 |
| Return value | 24                |
| factorial    |                   |
| n            | 3                 |
| Return value | 6                 |
| factorial    |                   |
| n            | 2                 |
| Return value | 2                 |
| factorial    |                   |
| n            | 1                 |
| Return value | 1                 |

A function is *recursive* if the body calls the function itself, either directly or indirectly. Recursive functions have two important components:

1. *Base case(s)*, where the function directly computes an answer without calling itself
2. *Recursive case(s)*, where the function calls itself as part of the computation

```
1 def square(x):
2     return x * x
3
4 def make_adder(n):
5     def adder(k):
6         return k + n
7     return adder
8
9 def compose1(f, g):
10    def h(x):
11        return f(g(x))
12    return h
13
14 compose1(square, make_adder(2))(3)
```



- Every user-defined function has a parent frame
- The parent of a function is the frame in which it was defined
- Every local frame has a parent frame
- The parent of a frame is the parent of the function called

A function's signature has all the information to create a local frame