

## Quiz 8: Lazy Evaluation

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Total Points

0 / 5 pts

Question 1

Lazy Evaluation/Call-by-Name

0 / 5 pts

+ 1 pt For arriving at  $(\lambda y.e)O$

+ 2 pts Handling the case of  $e$  not containing  $y$

+ 2 pts Handling the case of  $e$  containing  $y$

✓ + 0 pts Empty/Incorrect

## Q1 Lazy Evaluation/Call-by-Name

5 Points

Let  $\Omega$  denote an expression which does not terminate --- its evaluation/calculation in even lazy i.e., call-by-name) semantics does not terminate. Let  $e$  be any expression.

Using lazy evaluation (call-by-name) rules, what answer does one get for calculating the value of the expression  $((\lambda x. \lambda y. x) e) \Omega$ , starting with an initial table  $\gamma$ .

[You may write  $|$  - instead of  $\vdash$ ,  $g$  instead of  $\gamma$ ,  $O$  instead of  $\Omega$ ,  $\backslash$  instead of  $\lambda$ , and  $<$   $>$  instead of  $\langle \rangle$  in your answer].

1.  $((\backslash x. \backslash y. x) e) O$

2. Apply the outermost function  $((\backslash x. \backslash y. x) e)$  to the argument  $O$ .

To apply a function to an argument in call-by-name evaluation, we substitute the argument directly into the function body without evaluating it. So, we substitute  $O$  for  $x$  in the function body  $(\backslash y. x)$ :

1.  $(\backslash y. x)[x := O]$

2.  $(\backslash y. O)$

Now, we have a new function  $(\backslash y. O)$ . Next, we apply this function to the argument  $O$ :

1.  $(\backslash y. O) O$

Again, we substitute  $O$  for  $y$  in the function body  $(O)$ :

1.  $O[O/y]$

2.  $O$