

LAB 07

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Submit 1 python file using the naming convention below (replace **JaneDoe** with your first and last name respectively):

- JaneDoe7.py

QUESTION

1. Write a program that contains the recursive functions below (please note for all the functions, you must use recursion and not loops or built in Python functions):
 - a. **def power(x, y):** This function should recursively compute the power of a number (**x** represents the number and **y** represents the power to which its being raised – assume **y** will always be a positive integer) e.g.,
 - i. `print(power(2, 3))` `# 23 = 8`
 - ii. `print(power(-2, 3))` `# -23 = -8`
 - iii. `print(power(1, 5))` `# 15 = 1`
 - b. **def cat_ears(n):** If every cat has 2 ears, this function should recursively compute the total number of ears based off the number of cats (**n** represents the total number of cats) e.g.,
 - i. `print(cat_ears(0))` `# 0 – 0 cats have 0 ears in total`
 - ii. `print(cat_ears(1))` `# 2 – 1 cat has 2 ears in total`
 - iii. `print(cat_ears(2))` `# 4 – 2 cats have 4 ears in total`
 - c. **def alien_ears(n):** We have aliens standing in a line, numbered 1, 2, ... The odd aliens (1, 3, ...) have 3 ears. The even aliens (2, 4, ...) have 2 ears. This function should return the total number of alien ears (**n** represents the total number of aliens) e.g.,
 - i. `print(alien_ears(1))` `# 3 – (alien 1 has 3 ears)`
 - ii. `print(alien_ears(2))` `# 5 – (alien 1 has 3 ears, alien 2 has 2 ears)`

Please note:

- For the power function, you should only deal with positive powers (0 is not a positive number).
- For the cat_ears function, account for 0 cats.
- For the alien_ears function, there is no position 0 (this should be factored in selecting your base case).
- Your Python file only needs to have the 3 functions. The 3 functions should return values (not print them).
- The print statements I provided are to help you test if your functions work. You are not required to have them in your Python file.