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exercise H #1

```
def mult1 (list_num):  
    x = 0  
    total = 1  
    while (x<len(list_num)):  
        total = total * list_num[x]  
        x = x + 1  
    return total
```

exercise H #2

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def mult2 (list_num):  
    if len(list_num)==0:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return list_num.pop() * mult2(list_num)
```

exercise H #3

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# just make a big list and give it as an argument  
x = list(range(1,1000001))  
  
# mult2 is not tail recursive.  
  
# each value from each recursive call is necessary to give a proper result,  
# so new memory space will be created for every recursive call.  
# which can result in a stack overflow error.
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exercise H #4

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from functools import reduce
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def mult3 (list_num):  
    if len(list_num)==0:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return reduce((lambda x, y: x * y), list_num)
```

exercise H #5

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# 60.0 in every case.  
# it means that python is not strictly typed.  
# in SML's case that would not be possible.  
# first of all, lists can only contain the same type  
# and even if i were to try to use functions floor and real  
# to convert everything to the same type  
# i won't be able to, since i cannot check for types, cause SML is static typed.
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exercise H #6

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# mult3 will be fastest, mult1 second fastest, and mult2 the slowest.  
# mult3 is using the reduce function, and reduce carries over  
# the value it calculates.  
#  
# for element in it:  
# value = function(value, element)  
#  
# this is not recursion, this is just a loop that calls a function  
# for each element, but it carries the total calculated and the next element  
# so it is sort of like tail recursion.
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# mult1 is second fastest, i think. It's a loop, and it uses the same variable
# for all its calculations, meaning only a single memory slot
# (don't quote me on that)
#
# total = total * list[x]
#
# maybe both mult3 and mult1 take the same time, since they don't do a lot
# of assignments, but reuse the same memory space instead.

# mult2 should take the most time, since it does a lot of assignments.
# for each recursive call, it has to allocate memory for the returned values.
# and after the base case is met, all the values are then multiplied.

# when a function is called, it's put in the stack part of the memory
# each recursive call is going to take up a slot in the stack memory
# there is going to be a lot of assignments, and at the end, the program
# will have to extract the value from each of those stack slots.
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exercise H #7

```
def multpoly(list_poly):
    if len(list_poly)>0:
        if type(list_poly[0]) is str:
            x = 0
            total = ""
            while (x<len(list_poly)):
                total = total + list_poly[x]
                x = x + 1
            return total
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if type(list_poly[0]) is list:
    x = 0
    total = []
    while (x<len(list_poly)):
        total.extend(list_poly[x])
        x = x + 1
    return total

if type(list_poly[0]) is int or type(list_poly[0]) is float:
    x = 0
    total = 1
    while (x<len(list_poly)):
        total = total * list_poly[x]
        x = x + 1
    return total

else:
    return 1

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exercise H #8

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def flatten(list1, list2=None):
    if list2 == None:
        list2 = []
    if type(list1) is list and len(list1)>0:
        if type(list1[0]) is list:
            temp = list1.pop(0) + list1
            return flatten(temp, list2)
        else:
            list2.append(list1.pop(0))
            return flatten(list1, list2)
    else:

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return list2
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# this was a tricky question.
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# I wasn't able to make it work with just one variable.
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# I created a global variable with an empty
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# where all the non list elements would get appended to.
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# unfortunately the function itself would not output a list
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# i would have to print that global variable to access the new list.
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# then i remembered about the reduce function
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# which has a local variable already set to None
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# i initially set my list2 to None, and there is an if statement that checks
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# whether it's None and sets it to a list ([])
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# then i append to that list whenever an element in list1 is not of type list.
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# and then i send the newly updated list2 as a parameter
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# for the next recursive call.
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