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1. (5.0 points) What Would Python Display?

Assume the following code has been executed.

```
nest = [[x, y] for x in range(y, 3)] for y in range(1, 3)]
```

```
def dip(s):  
    if s:  
        for x in dip(s[1:]):  
            yield x + 1  
        yield s[0]
```

Write the output that would be displayed by printing the result of each expression. If an error occurs, write ERROR.

(a) (1.0 pt) `next(map(lambda x: 6 // (x - 2), range(5)))`

-3

(b) (2.0 pt) `nest[1]`

[[2, 2]]

(c) (2.0 pt) `list(dip([3, 4, 5]))`

[7, 5, 3]

2. (7.0 points) Square Bears on Stairs

Complete the environment diagram to answer the following questions. Only the questions will be scored.

```

1: stairs = [2, [3, [4, 5]]]
2: squares = [[9], [16], [25]]
3: where = lambda i: squares[i]
4:
5: def bears(squares):
6:     stairs[1].append(squares[1].pop())
7:     squares[2] = 36
8:     print(where(1))
9:     print(stairs[1])
10:
11: bears(stairs[1] + squares[1])

```

Global		

f1: _____ [parent=_____]	
Return value	

f2: _____ [parent=_____]	
Return value	

(a) (2.0 pt) What is displayed by `print(where(1))` on line 8?

[16]

(b) (3.0 pt) What is displayed by `print(stairs[1])` on line 9?

[3, [4], 5]

(c) (1.0 pt) What is the order of growth of the time it takes to evaluate `skipsum(s)` in terms of the length of list `s`?

```

def skipsum(s):
    if len(s) <= 2:
        return max(s + [0])
    return max(s[0] + skipsum(s[2:]), s[1] + skipsum(s[3:]))

```

- ☐ logarithmic
☐ linear
☐ quadratic
☒ exponential

(d) (1.0 pt) What would be the order of growth of the time to evaluate `skipsum(s)` if `skipsum` were memoized?

- ☐ logarithmic
☒ linear
☐ quadratic
☐ exponential

3. (6.0 points) Swap Meet

Implement `swap`, which takes a list `s` and non-negative numbers `t` and `u`. It returns a list with the same elements as `s`, but with the elements at indices `t` and `u` swapped. Hint: $(a + b) - a == b$ for any integers `a` and `b`.

```
def swap(s, t, u):
    """Return a new list like s but with the elements at positions t and u swapped.
    >>> letters = ['p', 'q', 'r', 's']
    >>> swap(letters, 0, 2)
    ['r', 'q', 'p', 's']
    >>> letters
    ['p', 'q', 'r', 's']
    """
    assert min(t, u) >= 0 and max(t, u) < len(s)
    def select(i):
        if -----:
            (a)
            return -----
            (b)
        else:
            return -----
            (c)
    return [select(x) for x in ----- ]
            (d)
```

(a) (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (a). **Select all that apply.**

- ☐ `i == t or u`
- ☐ `i == t and u`
- ☒ `i == t or i == u`
- ☐ `i == t and i == u`
- ☒ `i in [t, u]`

(b) (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (b).

`s[t + u - i]`

(c) (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (c).

- ☐ `i`
- ☐ `x`
- ☒ `s[i]`
- ☐ `s[x]`

(d) (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (d).

- ☐ `s`
- ☐ `s[t:u]`
- ☐ `range(s)`
- ☒ `range(len(s))`

4. (11.0 points) Tree Spree**(a) (5.0 points)**

Implement `offspring`, which takes a `Tree` instance `t` and a value `x`. It returns a list of the labels of the nodes in `t` that are children of nodes labeled `x`. The returned list can have any order.

The `Tree` class appears on the left side of Page 2 of the Midterm 2 study guide.

```
def offspring(t, x):
    """List the labels of all nodes whose parents are labeled x.

    >>> a = Tree(5, [Tree(6, [Tree(7), Tree(8)]), Tree(9, [Tree(10)])])
    >>> sorted(offspring(a, 6))
    [7, 8]
    >>> b = Tree(3, [Tree(5, [Tree(3, [Tree(3), Tree(5)])]), Tree(7, [Tree(3)])])
    >>> sorted(offspring(b, 3))
    [3, 5, 5, 7]
    """
    result = []
    for b in t.branches:
        if ____:
            (a)
            result.append(____)
            (b)
        result.____
        (c)
    return result
```

i. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (a).

- ☒ `t.label == x`
☐ `b.label == x`
☐ `t.label == x.label`
☐ `b.label == x.label`

ii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (b).

- ☐ `t`
☐ `t.label`
☐ `b`
☒ `b.label`

iii. (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (c).

`extend(offspring(b, x))`

(b) (6.0 points)

Implement `graft`, which takes two `Tree` instances `t` and `u` and a value `x`. All labels in `t` and `u` are unique, and `x` is a label in `t`. It mutates `t`, replacing the node labeled `x` with `u`, so that `u` is now a node in `t`, and the node labeled `x` along with all of its descendants are removed from `t`.

Hint: The `index` method of a list takes a value `x` and returns the index of the first occurrence of `x` in the list. `['a', 'b', 'c'].index('b')` evaluates to 1.

```
def graft(t, u, x):
    """Mutate Tree t so that the node rooted at label x is replaced by Tree u.

    >>> lemon = Tree(13, [Tree(14), Tree(15)])
    >>> lime = Tree(1, [Tree(2, [Tree(3), Tree(4, [Tree(5)]]), Tree(6, [Tree(7)])])
    >>> graft(lime, lemon, 4)
    >>> lime
    Tree(1, [Tree(2, [Tree(3), Tree(13, [Tree(14), Tree(15)])]), Tree(6, [Tree(7)])])
    >>> lime.branches[0].branches[1] is lemon
    True
    """
    s = -----
        (d)
    if x in s:
        -----
            (e)
    else:
        for b in t.branches:
            -----
                (f)
```

i. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (d).

- ☐ `[t.label]`
- ☐ `t.branches`
- ☒ `[b.label for b in t.branches]`
- ☐ `[graft(b, u, x) for b in t.branches]`

ii. (4.0 pt) Fill in blank (e).

`t.branches[s.index(x)] = u`

iii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (f).

- ☒ `graft(b, u, x)`
- ☐ `return graft(b, u, x)`
- ☐ `b = u`
- ☐ `b.label = u.label`

5. (12.0 points) Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Each `Boat` has a `number`. Each `Rower` has a `name`. The `add` method of a `Boat` takes a list of `Rower` instances called `folks`. Then, for each `Rower` in `folks`, if they can `sit` in the `Boat`, they are assigned the lowest non-negative seat number that hasn't yet been assigned for that boat (starting at 0). The seat number for each `Rower` is stored in the `where` attribute of their boat: a dictionary whose keys are `Rower` instances and whose values are non-negative integers. The `sit` method of a `Rower` returns `True` if that `Rower` doesn't already have a seat, and prints a message otherwise.

A `Captain` is a `Rower` that won't sit in a boat with another `Captain`. The `sit` method of the `Captain` class first checks for another captain in the boat and prints a message and returns `None` if there is one, then checks that the `Captain` doesn't already have a seat in a boat (and prints a message and returns `None` if they do), and finally claims the boat so that no other captain will sit there (and returns `True`).

```
class Boat:
    """A boat full of rowers.
    >>> bella, finn, hank = Rower('Bella'), Captain('Finn'), Captain('Hank')
    >>> Boat(5).add([Rower('Ace'), bella, Rower('Charlie'), finn, Rower('Ginger')])
    >>> Boat(7).add([Rower('Daisy'), finn, hank, bella, Captain('Ellie')])
    Finn in Boat 5 Seat 3 already has a seat!
    Bella in Boat 5 Seat 1 already has a seat!
    Ellie won't sit. Hank is captain of Boat 7!
    >>> print(hank)
    Hank in Boat 7 Seat 1
    """
    def __init__(self, number):
        self.number = number # The number of the boat
        self.where = {}      # A dict from Rowers to seat numbers
    def add(self, folks):
        for p in folks:
            if p.sit( _____ ):
                (a)
                _____ # Assign them the lowest available seat number

class Rower:
    (b)
    """A Rower in a Boat."""
    def __init__(self, name):
        self.name = name
        self.boat = None
    def sit(self, boat):
        if self.boat is None:
            self.boat = boat
            return True
        print(self, 'already has a seat!')
    def __str__(self):
        return f'{self.name} in Boat {self.boat.number} Seat { _____ }'
        (c)

class Captain(Rower):
    """A captain will not sit in a boat that already has a captain."""
    claimed = {}
    def sit(self, boat):
        if boat not in Captain.claimed:
            if _____ :
                (d)
                _____ # Claim the boat
                (e)
            return True
        else:
            print(f'{self.name} won't sit. { _____ } is captain of Boat {boat.number}!')
```


(f)

(a) (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (a).

- ☒ self
- ☐ self.number
- ☐ Boat
- ☐ Boat.number

(b) (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (b).

```
self.where[p] = len(self.where)
```

(c) (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (c), which evaluates to the seat number assigned to the Rower when they sat.

```
self.boat.where[self]
```

(d) (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (d). **Select all that apply.**

- ☐ self.boat is not None
- ☒ super().sit(boat)
- ☐ super(self).sit(boat)
- ☐ super().sit(self, boat)
- ☐ Rower.sit(boat)
- ☐ self.Rower.sit(boat)
- ☒ Rower.sit(self, boat)

(e) (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (e).

- ☐ claimed = True
- ☐ self.claimed = True
- ☐ claimed[boat] = self
- ☒ self.claimed[boat] = self
- ☐ boat.captain = self
- ☐ boat.captain = True

(f) (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (f), which evalautes to the name of the captain that claimed this boat.

```
self.claimed[boat].name
```

6. (18.0 points) Arithmetic**(a) (8.0 points)**

Implement `can_equal`, which takes a string `digits` containing a sequence of digits from 1 to 9 (no zeros) and an integer `n`. It returns `True` if there is a way to add zero or more `+` and `-` symbols to `digits` to form an expression that evaluates to `n`.

Hint: The built-in `int` can be called on a string to convert it to an integer. For example, `int('-42')` returns `-42`.

```
def can_equal(digits, n):
    """Whether adding + and - symbols to digits can form an expression that evaluates to n.

    >>> can_equal('45332', 14) # 45-33+2 = 14
    True
    >>> can_equal('45332', 527) # -4+533-2 = 527
    True
    >>> can_equal('45332', 38) # 4+5-3+32 = 38
    True
    >>> can_equal('45332', 287) # -45+332 = 287
    True
    >>> can_equal('45332', -287) # 45-332 = -287
    True
    >>> can_equal('45332', 45) # Impossible
    False
    >>> can_equal('45332', 39) # Impossible
    False
    """
    if _____ :
        (a)

        return True

    for k in range(1, _____ ):
        (b)

        if _____ ([can_equal( _____ , n - sign * _____ ) for sign in [1, -1]]):
            (c) (d) (e)

            return True

    return _____
    (f)
```

i. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (a).

- ☐ `digits == ''`
- ☐ `n == 0`
- ☒ `digits == '' and n == 0`
- ☐ `digits == '' or n == 0`

ii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (b).

- ☐ 10
- ☐ `int(digits)`
- ☐ `int(digits) + 1`
- ☐ `len(digits)`
- ☒ `len(digits) + 1`

iii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (c).

- ☒ any
- ☐ all
- ☐ list
- ☐ min
- ☐ iter

iv. (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (d).

```
digits[k:]
```

v. (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (e).

```
int(digits[:k])
```

vi. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (f).

- ☐ True
- ☒ False
- ☐ `n == 0`
- ☐ `n in digits`
- ☐ `str(n) in digits`

(b) (4.0 points)

The `Link` class appears on the left side of Page 2 of the Midterm 2 study guide.

- i. **(2.0 pt)** Fill in blank (g) to implement `join_link`, a function that takes a linked list of strings `s`. It returns a string that contains all of the characters in all of the strings in `s` in order.

```
def join_link(s):
    """Return a string that concatenates all of the strings in linked list s.

    >>> join_link(Link('cs', Link('6', Link('1a'))))
    'cs61a'
    """
    if s is Link.empty:
        return ''
    return -----
        (g)
```

- ☐ `s + str(s.rest)`
- ☐ `s + join_link(s.rest)`
- ☐ `s + join_link(s.rest.first)`
- ☐ `s.first + str(s.rest)`
- ☒ `s.first + join_link(s.rest)`
- ☐ `s.first + join_link(s.rest.first)`

- ii. **(2.0 pt)** Fill in blank (h) to implement `to_link`, a function that takes a finite iterator `t`. It returns a linked list containing all of the values that `t` iterates over.

```
def to_link(t):
    """Return a linked list containing the values in iterator t.

    >>> to_link(iter([3, 5, 7, 9]))
    Link(3, Link(5, Link(7, Link(9))))
    """
    try:
        return -----
            (h)
    except StopIteration:
        return Link.empty
```

- ☐ `Link(t, to_link(t))`
- ☐ `Link(t, to_link(t.rest))`
- ☐ `Link(t, to_link(t).rest)`
- ☐ `Link(t, to_link(next(t)))`
- ☒ `Link(next(t), to_link(t))`
- ☐ `Link(next(t), to_link(t.rest))`
- ☐ `Link(next(t), to_link(t).rest)`
- ☐ `Link(next(t), to_link(next(t)))`

(c) (6.0 points)

Implement `terms`, a generator function that takes a string `digits` containing digits from 1 to 9 and an integer `n` for which `can_equal(digits, n)` returns `True`. It yields integers whose digits are the contents of `digits` and that sum to `n`. If there is more than one such sequence of numbers, yield any one of them. You may call `can_equal`, `join_link`, and `to_link`.

```
def terms(digits, n):
    """Yield the numbers in an expression that demonstrates can_equal(digits, n) is True.

    >>> list(terms('45332', 38))    # 4+5-3+32 = 38
    [4, 5, -3, 32]
    >>> list(terms('45332', 527))   # -4+533-2 = 527
    [-4, 533, -2]
    """
    assert can_equal(digits, n)
    digits = to_link(iter(digits))  # Create a linked list over one-digit strings
    first = 0
    while digits:
        first = -----
                (i)
        rest = -----
                (j)
        if can_equal(rest, n - first):
            yield first
            first, n = 0, n - first
        elif can_equal(rest, n + first):
            -----
                (k)
            first, n = 0, n + first
        digits = digits.rest
```

i. (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (i).

```
first * 10 + int(digits.first)
```

ii. (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (j).

```
join_link(digits.rest)
```

iii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (k).

- ☐ `n = -n`
- ☐ `yield first`
- ☒ `yield -first`
- ☐ `yield n-first`
- ☐ `yield from terms(digits, -n)`

7. (10.0 points) Finally Some Scheme**(a) (6.0 points)**

Implement `except-last`, a procedure that takes a list `s` and returns a list with all of the elements of `s` except the last one. If there is no last element because `s` is empty, return `nil`.

```
;;; Return all but the last element of s in a list.
;;;
;;; scm> (except-last nil)
;;; ()
;;; scm> (except-last '(2))
;;; ()
;;; scm> (except-last '(2 3 4 5))
;;; (2 3 4)
;;; scm> (except-last '(2 (3 3) 4 (5 6)))
;;; (2 (3 3) 4)
```

```
(define (except-last s)
  (if _____ nil
      (a)
      (cons (car s) _____ )))
                        (b)
```

i. (2.0 pt) Fill in blank (a).

```
(or (null? s) (null? (cdr s)))
```

ii. (1.0 pt) Fill in blank (b).

- ☐ `s`
- ☐ `(cdr s)`
- ☐ `(cdr (cdr s))`
- ☐ `(except-last s)`
- ☒ `(except-last (cdr s))`
- ☐ `(except-last (cdr (cdr s)))`

iii. (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (c) below to implement `except-last-k`, which takes a non-negative integer `k` and a list `s`. It returns a list with all of the elements of `s` except the last `k` elements. If there are `k` or fewer elements, return `nil`. You may call `except-last`.

```
(define (except-last-k k s)
  (if (= k 0) s _____ ))
                        (c)
```

```
(except-last-k (- k 1) (except-last s))
```

(b) (4.0 points)

Assume the following code had been evaluated and that `except-last` is implemented correctly.

```
(define-macro (mystery expr other)
  (append (except-last expr) (list other)))
```

What would Scheme display as the value of the following expression? Write `ERROR` if an error occurs.

i. (2.0 pt) `(cons 2 (mystery (cons 3 nil) '(4)))`

- ☐ (2 4)
- ☐ (2 (4))
- ☒ (2 3 4)
- ☐ (2 3 (4))
- ☐ (2 (3 4))
- ☐ (2 (3 (4)))
- ☐ ERROR

ii. (2.0 pt) `(mystery (* (+ 2 3) (+ 4 (/ 2 0))) (- 5 2))`

- ☐ 3
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 8
- ☒ 15
- ☐ 20
- ☐ 35
- ☐ ERROR

8. (6.0 points) WHERE Brainrot='Italian'

The **who** table has one row per character with its **name** (a unique string), **size** (a number), and **kind** (a string). The **kinds** table has one row per kind that shows whether it's living ('yes' or 'no') and what kind it is (a unique string).

who:	name	size	kind	kinds:			Result Part (b):	
	living	what	name		number			
	tralalero tralala	800.0	reptile	yes	mammal	bombardiro crocodillo	1	
	bombardiro crocodillo	600.0	reptile	yes	reptile	brr brr patapim	2	
	lirili larila	1500.0	mammal	no	object	capuchino assassino	2	
	capuchino assassino	60.0	object	Result Part (a):	total	chimpanzini bananini	2	
	brr brr patapim	80.0	mammal		3070.0	lirili larila	1	
	chimpanzini bananini	90.0	mammal			tralalero tralala	2	
tung tung tung sahur	200.0	object						

- (a) (3.0 pt) Fill in blank (a) to create a one-row, one-column table containing the **total** size of all characters that have a living kind.

SELECT SUM(size) AS total FROM _____ ;
(a)

- ☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=what WHERE kind=living
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=what WHERE kind='living'
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=what WHERE living=yes
☒ who JOIN kinds ON kind=what WHERE living='yes'
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=kinds WHERE kind=living
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=kinds WHERE kind='living'
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=kinds WHERE living=yes
☐ who JOIN kinds ON kind=kinds WHERE living='yes'
- (b) (3.0 pt) Two characters can battle if the smaller one is at least half the size of the larger one (or they are the same size). Fill in blank (b) to create a table with one row per character that has two columns: the character's **name** and the **number** of other characters it can battle. For example, **lirili larila** can only battle **tralalero tralala** because all other characters are too small. Do not include rows for characters that cannot battle any other characters. **Select all that apply.**

SELECT a.name,COUNT(*) FROM who AS a, who AS b WHERE a.name!=b.name AND _____ GROUP BY a.name;
(b)

- ☐ a.size >= b.size * 0.5
☐ b.size >= a.size * 0.5
☐ a.size >= b.size * 0.5 OR b.size >= a.size * 0.5
☒ a.size >= b.size * 0.5 AND b.size >= a.size * 0.5
☐ MIN(a.size, b.size) >= b.size * 0.5
☐ a.size >= MAX(a.size, b.size) * 0.5
☒ MIN(a.size, b.size) >= MAX(a.size, b.size) * 0.5
☒ MIN(a.size / b.size, b.size / a.size) >= 0.5
☐ MAX(a.size / b.size, b.size / a.size) >= 0.5

9. (0.0 points) A+

These two A+ questions are not worth any points. They can only affect your course grade if you have a high A and might receive an A+. Finish the rest of the exam first!

- (a) (0.0 pt) Fill in the blank to implement `swap`, which takes a list `s` and non-negative numbers `t` and `u`. It returns a list with the same elements as `s`, but with the elements at indices `t` and `u` swapped. Do not write `if`, `and`, `or`, or `lambda`. You may not call functions from elsewhere on the exam. **Hint:** Try using a dictionary.

```
def swap(s, t, u):  
    """Return a new list like s but with the elements at positions t and u swapped.  
    >>> letters = ['p', 'q', 'r', 's']  
    >>> swap(letters, 0, 2)  
    ['r', 'q', 'p', 's']  
    >>> letters  
    ['p', 'q', 'r', 's']  
    """  
    return [ _____ for x in range(len(s)) ]
```

```
s[{t: u, u: t}.get(x, x)]
```

- (b) (0.0 pt) Fill in the blank to implement `equal`, which takes a string `digits` containing digits from 1 to 9 and an integer `n` for which `can_equal(digits, n)` returns `True`. It returns a string `s` containing all of `digits` and zero or more `+` or `-` symbols such that `eval(s) == n`. You may call `eval` and `can_equal`. If there is more than one possible return value, return any of them. **Important:** For credit, your implementation must ensure that the generator returned by `f` only yields as many values as necessary for correctness (and no more).

```
def equal(digits, n):
    """Return a string containing digits and + and - that evaluates to n.

    >>> equal('45332', 527)
    '-4+533-2'
    >>> equal('45332', 38)
    '4+5-3+32'
    """
    assert can_equal(digits, n)
    def f(digits):
        yield digits
        yield '-' + digits
        for k in range(1, len(digits)):
            for rest in f(digits[k:]):
                yield digits[:k] + '+' + rest
                yield digits[:k] + '-' + rest
                yield '-' + digits[:k] + '+' + rest
                yield '-' + digits[:k] + '-' + rest
    return -----

    next(filter(lambda x: eval(x) == n, f(digits)))
```

No more questions.