CS492: Probabilistic Programming

Basics of Clojure and tiny bit of Anglican

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What are the cons and pros of such a lang.?

Clojure

- Re-design of Scheme for Java virtual machine, with concurrency in mind.
- Untyped.
- Highly expressive.
- Cousin language for Anglican, the probabilistic programming language used in this course.

Learning outcome

- Can write simple Clojure programs with recursion, loop, list, and map.
- Can write simple Anglican programs with no conditioning, and perform inference.
- All by copy-paste-modify programming.

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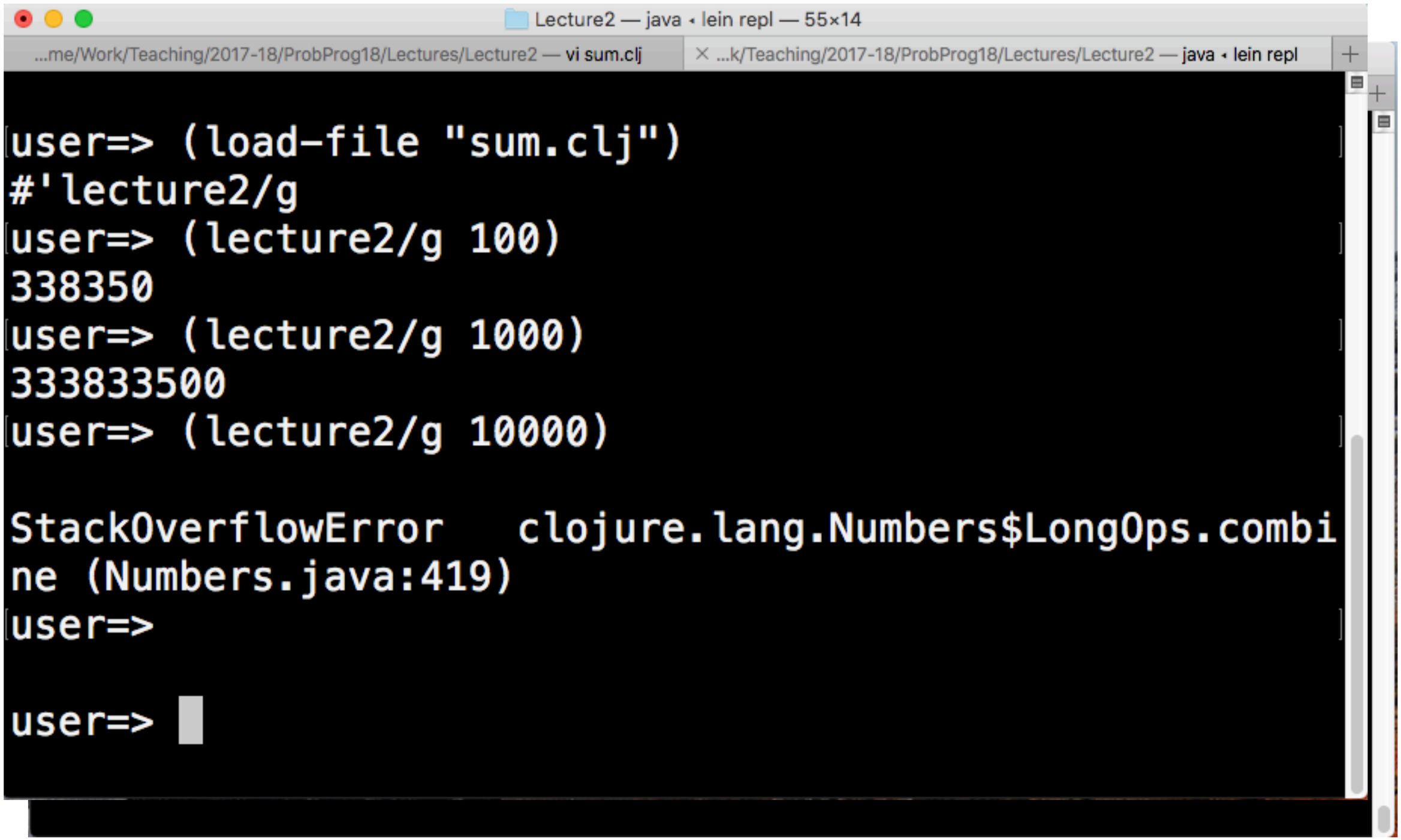

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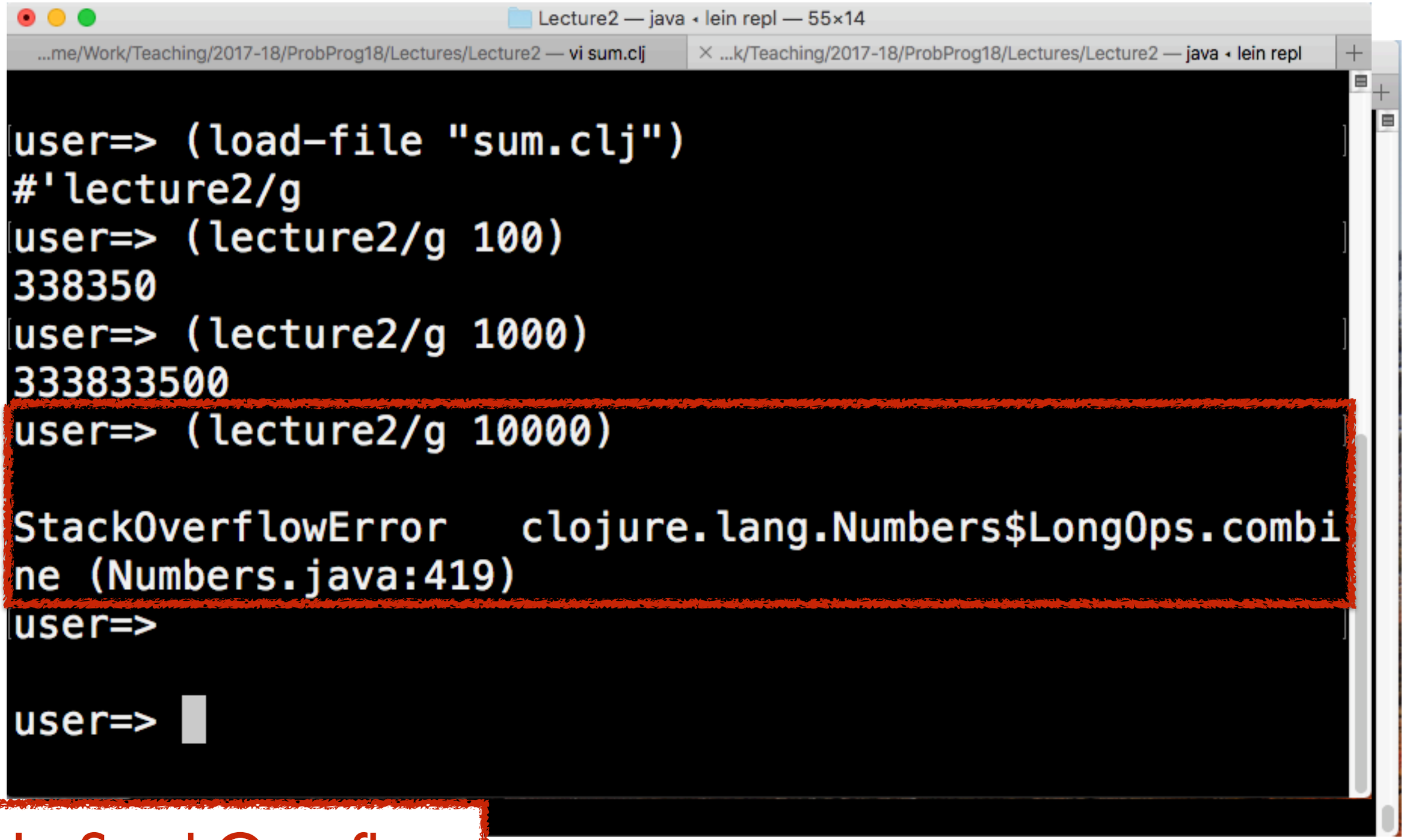

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- Two key questions:

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```
{:a 0, :b 1, 3 10},
```

```
(assoc {:a 0, :b 1} 3 10)
```

2. Accessed (or destructed) by get & keyword.

```
(get {:a 0, :b 1, 3 10} 3)
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List in Clojure

1. Created using list and conj typically.

```
(list 1 2 3), (conj (list 2 3) 1)
```

2. Destructed by first, rest, and take.

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(first (list 1 2 3)),
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5. drop, empty?, many other functions. Google.

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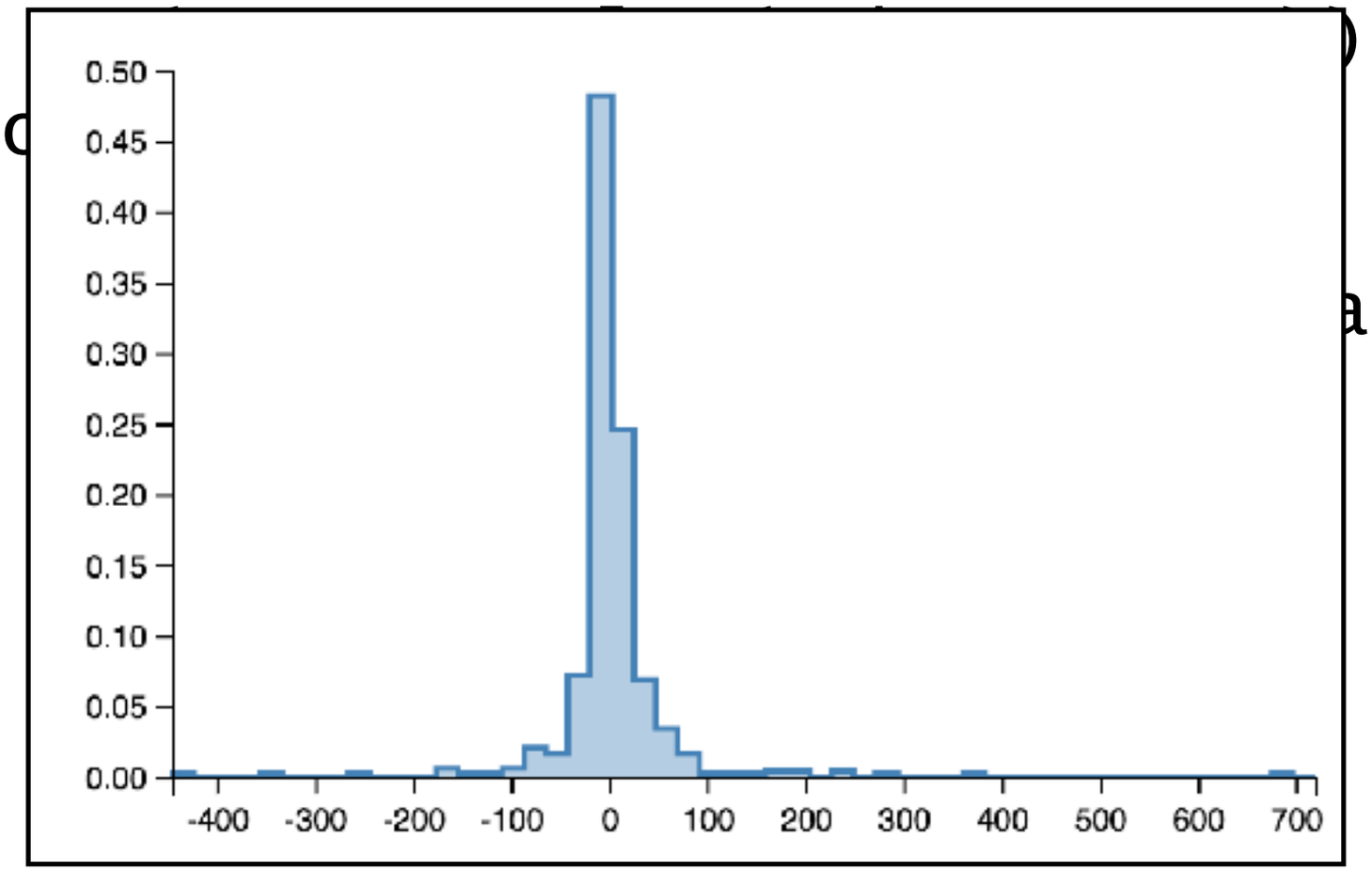

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Exercise 3:

[Part 1] Generate a list of Fibonacci numbers (list F_1 F_2 ... F_n) for a given n.

[Part 2] Generate a list of indices $0<i\leq 10000$ such that i is the sum of digits of F_i.

Assume get-digits for converting a number to a list of its digits. (get-digits 23)=(list 2 3).

Assume range. (range 1 6) = (list 1 2 3 4 5).

Part I

```
(defn fib [n]
  (loop [i 2 s (list 1 1)]
    (if (= i n)
      (rev s)
      (recur (+ i 1)
             (conj s (+ (first s)
                        (second s)))))))
```

Part 2

```
(defn ck [fibn-and-i]
  (let [fibn (first fibn-and-i)
        i    (second fibn-and-i)]
    (= (reduce + 0 (get-digits fibn))
       i)))

(def idx-fib-seq
  (map (fn [s i] (list s i))
       (fib 10000)
       (range 1 10001)))

(def indices
  (map second (filter ck idx-fib-seq)))
```

Topics covered

- Functions, recursion, loop, list, and map in Clojure.
- defquery, and doquery in Anglican.

Announcement

1. Homework 0 in the course webpage.
   - It will teach you how to use Gorilla and to try examples in the web browser.
2. Form a group and tell us by the midnight of 13 March 2018 (Tuesday).