

Lisp Text Questions:

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The well formed lists are:

(A B (C))
((A) (B))
(A (B (C)))
(((A) (B)) (C))

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((BOWS ARROWS) (FLOWERS CHOCOLATES))

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() → NIL
(()) → (NIL)
((())) → ((NIL))
(() ()) → (NIL NIL)
(() (())) → (NIL (NIL))

2.13

FUN → CAAAR
IN → CAADR
THE → CADADR
SUN → CAADDR

2.15

CAR → (A B)
CDDR → ((E F))
CADR → (C D)
CDAR → (B)
CADAR → B
CDDAR → NIL
CAAR → A
CDADDR → NIL
CADDR → F

2.16

CAR cannot be applied to a single element and after the first CAR there is just FRED. It would result in an error. CAAR cannot be performed on (FRED NIL)

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Most of UNIX is written in C.

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The disadvantage of having too many features in a language is increased complexity, which can lead to harder learning, maintenance, and potential for errors.

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User-defined operator overloading can harm readability by making it unclear what operations do without knowing the specific definitions.

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In C, arrays and pointers are not orthogonal—arrays decay into pointers, leading to inconsistent behavior.

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ALGOL 68 used orthogonality as a primary design criterion.

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The goto statement is used to build more complicated control statements in languages that lack them.

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A program is reliable if it performs correctly under all conditions and handles errors gracefully.

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Type checking parameters ensures correctness, prevents errors, and improves reliability.

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Aliasing occurs when two or more names refer to the same memory location.

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Exception handling is a mechanism to manage runtime errors or unexpected events.

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Readability is important to writability because clear, understandable code is easier to write and modify.

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The two deficiencies discovered were lack of modularity and poor control of abstraction.

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The three fundamental features of an object-oriented programming language are encapsulation, inheritance, and polymorphism.

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Simula 67 was the first language to support these three features.

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Readability and execution efficiency are often in direct conflict.

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The three general methods are compilation, pure interpretation, and hybrid implementation.

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A compiler produces faster program execution than a pure interpreter.

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- Easier debugging
- Portability
- No compilation
- Dynamic flexibility

