Assignment 1

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Exercise 3.13 in 'Programming Language Pragmatics, Fourth Edition':

a) What does this program print?

Output: 2

Explanation: In lexical scoping the body of D sees x=2 because that was the binding in effect where D was defined.

b) What would it print if Scheme used dynamic scoping and shallow binding?

Output: 4

Explanation: Under dynamic scoping with shallow binding, a reference to x uses the most recent binding at the time of the call, which is x=4.

c) What would it print if Scheme used dynamic scoping and deep binding?

Output: 3

Explanation: Here the binding environment of D is kept when D is passed to C, at which point x=3, so D sees x=3.