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COMPUTER SCIENCE MENTORS 61A

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1. Define `apply-multiple` which takes in a single argument function `f`, a nonnegative integer `n`, and a value `x` and returns the result of applying `f` to `x` a total of `n` times.

```
;doctests
scm> (apply-multiple (lambda (x) (* x x)) 3 2)
256
scm> (apply-multiple (lambda (x) (+ x 1)) 10 1)
11
scm> (apply-multiple (lambda (x) (* 1000 x)) 0 5)
5
```

```
(define (apply-multiple f n x)
```

```
)
```

```
(define (apply-multiple f n x)
  (if (= n 0)
      x
      (f (apply-multiple f (- n 1) x)))))
```

Alternate solution:

```
(define (apply-multiple f n x)
  (if (= n 0)
      x
      (apply-multiple f (- n 1) (f x)))))
```

## 2 Scheme Lists

Unlike Python, all Scheme lists are linked lists. Recall that, in Python, a linked list is made up of `Links` that each have a `first` and a `rest`, where the `rest` is another `Link`. Similarly, each Scheme list is a “pair” where the first element of the pair is the first element of the list, and the second element of the pair is the rest of the list (also a pair).

We use the `cons` procedure to construct Scheme lists, and `nil` to represent empty lists. The sequence 1, 2, 3 may then be represented as follows:

```
scm> (cons 1 (cons 2 (cons 3 nil)))  
(1 2 3)
```

The `car` and `cdr` procedures are used to access the elements of a Scheme list. `car` gets the first element of a list, while `cdr` gets the rest of the list:

```
scm> (define lst (cons 1 (cons 2 (cons 3 nil))))  
lst  
scm> (car lst)  
1  
scm> (cdr lst)  
(2 3)
```

You can make the following analogy between linked lists in Python and Scheme:

<code>Link(1, Link.empty)</code>	<code>(cons 1 nil)</code>
<code>a = Link(1, Link(2, Link.empty))</code>	<code>(define a (cons 1 (cons 2 nil)))</code>
<code>a.first</code>	<code>(car a)</code>
<code>a.rest</code>	<code>(cdr a)</code>

The `list` procedure and quotation give us additional convenient ways to construct lists:

```
scm> (list 1 2 3)  
(1 2 3)  
scm> '(1 2 3)  
(1 2 3)  
scm> (list 1 (+ 1 1) 3)  
(1 2 3)  
scm> '(1 (+ 1 1) 3)  
(1 (+ 1 1) 3)
```

Note that quotation will prevent any of the list items from being evaluated, which can occasionally be inconvenient.

### 2.1 Useful procedures

In addition to the procedures mentioned above, the following procedures are often useful when dealing with Scheme lists:

- `(null? s)`: returns true if `s` is `nil`.
- `(length s)`: returns the length of `s`.
- `(append s1 ... sn)`: returns the result of concatenating lists `s1`, ..., `sn`.
- `(map f s)`: returns the result of applying the procedure `f` to each element of `s`.

- `(filter pred s)`: returns a list containing the elements of `s` for which the single-argument procedure `pred` returns true.
- `(reduce comb s)`: combines the elements of `s` into a single value using the two-argument procedure `comb`.

## 2.2 Equality testing

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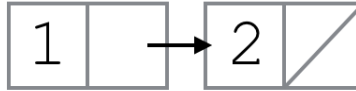
Equality testing in Scheme is a bit confusing as it is handled by three separate procedures:

- `(= a b)`: returns true if `a` equals `b`. Both must be numbers.
- `(eq? a b)`: returns true if `a` and `b` are equivalent primitive values. For two objects, `eq?` returns true if both refer to the exactly same object in memory (like `is` in Python).
- `(equal? a b)`: returns true if `a` and `b` are equivalent. Two lists are equivalent if their elements are equivalent.

1. What will Scheme output? Draw box-and-pointer diagrams to help determine this. (Ask your mentor if you're unsure what's going on. You aren't expected to understand this completely on your own.)

```
scm> (cons 1 (cons 2 nil))
```

```
(1 2)
```



```
scm> (cons 1 '(2 3 4 5))
```

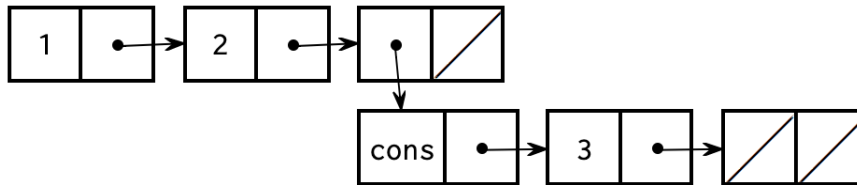
```
(1 2 3 4 5)
```



When we use the quote before the list, we are saying that we should put the literal list (2 3 4 5) in the cdr of this list. So in this case we create a list where the first element (car) is 1, and the cdr is the list (2 3 4 5).

```
scm> (cons 1 '(2 (cons 3 nil)))
```

```
(1 2 (cons 3 ()))
```



Since we also used a quote here, we do not evaluate the (cons 3 nil). We keep everything inside the quotes the same so the cdr of this list is the list (2 (cons 3 nil)). That means that we add the element 2, and then the nested list (cons 3 nil).

```
scm> (cons 1 (2 (cons 3 nil)))
```

```
eval: bad function in : (2 (cons 3 nil))
```

While evaluating the operands, Scheme will try to evaluate the expression (2 (cons 3 nil)). Since 2 is not a valid operator, this expression Errors.

```
scm> (cons 3 (cons (cons 4 nil) nil))
```

```
(3 (4))
```

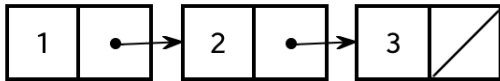
```
scm> (define a '(1 2 3))
```

a

Defines a list of elements of (1 2 3) and binds the list to the variable a. Recall that define returns the name of the symbol.

```
scm> a
```

(1 2 3)



```
scm> (car a)
```

1

```
scm> (cdr a)
```

(2 3)

```
scm> (car (cdr a))
```

2

From above, we know that (cdr a) is (2 3). From that, we can evaluate (car (cdr a)) to 2.

How can we get the 3 out of a?

```
(car (cdr (cdr a)))
```

To get to the pair that contains 3, we need to call (cdr (cdr a)). To get the element 3, we need the car of (cdr (cdr a)).

2. Define `sixty-ones`. Return the number of times that 1 follows 6 in the list.

```
> (sixty-ones '(4 6 1 6 0 1))
1
> (sixty-ones '(1 6 1 4 6 1 6 0 1))
2
> (sixty-ones '(6 1 6 1 4 6 1 6 0 1))
3
```

```
(define (sixty-ones lst)
  (cond ((or (null? lst) (null? (cdr lst))) 0)
        ((and (= 6 (car lst)) (= 1 (cadr lst))) (+ 1 (sixty-ones (cddr
                                                                    lst))))
        (else (sixty-ones (cdr lst)))))
```

3. You are creating a computer from scratch. In their rawest form, computers use 0s and 1s to compose commands and data. Fill in a function that takes a list of boolean values representing an **unsigned binary number** and returns its **decimal representation**. Each `#t` in the list represents a 1 and each `#f` represents a 0, with the **first** element in the list being the **rightmost** (smallest) binary digit and the **last** element being the **leftmost** (largest) binary digit.

```
;Doctests
scm> (binary (list #f #t)) ; 10
2
scm> (binary (list #t #f #t #t)) ; 1101
13
scm> (binary (list #t #t #f #f #t)) ; 10011
19
scm> (binary (list #f)) ; 0
0
```

```
(define (binary bin-list)
  (cond
    ((null? _____)
     _____
    )
    ((_____ )
     _____
    )
    (else
     _____
    )
  )
)
```

```

(define (binary bin-list)
  (cond
    ((null? bin-list)
     0)
    )
    ((car bin-list)
     (+ 1 (* 2 (binary (cdr bin-list)))))
    )
    (else
     (* 2 (binary (cdr bin-list))))
    )
  )
)

```

4. Now, write the binary to decimal function, but in tail recursive form. Note that the `expt` function takes in a base and an exponent. For example, `(expt 2 3)` raises 2 to the third power, returning 8.

```

;Doctests
scm> (binary-tail (list #f #t)) ; 10
2
scm> (binary-tail (list #t #f #t #t)) ; 1101
13
scm> (binary-tail (list #t #t #f #f #t)) ; 10011
19
scm> (binary-tail (list #f)) ; 0
0

```

```

(define (binary-tail bin-list)
  (define (helper bin-list i sum)
    (cond
      ((null? _____)
       _____
      )
      ((_____ )
       _____
      )
      (else
       _____
      )
    )
  )
  (helper _____)
)

```



```
(define (binary-tail bin-list)
  (define (helper bin-list i sum)
    (cond
      ((null? bin-list)
       sum)
      ((car bin-list)
       (helper
        (cdr bin-list) (+ 1 i) (+ sum (expt 2 i))
        ))
      (else
       (helper
        (cdr bin-list) (+ 1 i) sum
        ))
      )
    )
  )
(helper bin-list 0 0)
)
```

5. Define `is-prefix`, which takes in a list `p` and a list `lst` and determines if `p` is a prefix of `lst`. That is, it determines if `lst` starts with all the elements in `p`.

```
; Doctests:
scm> (is-prefix '() '())
#t
scm> (is-prefix '() '(1 2))
#t
scm> (is-prefix '(1) '(1 2))
#t
scm> (is-prefix '(2) '(1 2))
#f
; Note here p is longer than lst
scm> (is-prefix '(1 2) '(1))
#f

(define (is-prefix p lst)
```

```
)
```

```
; is-prefix with a cond statement
```

- You can assume all elements of `lst` are non-negative integers, and `lst` has at least 1 element and no nested lists.

[illegible]

```
        (else
          (max-helper (cdr lst) max-so-far max-index (+ curr-index
                                                         1)))
      )
    )
  (max-helper lst 0 0 0)
)
```