

```
(if question-expression                syntax
    then-answer-expression
    else-answer-expression)
```

When the value of the *question-expression* is *#true*, *if* evaluates the *then-answer-expression*. When the test is *#false*, *if* evaluates the *else-answer-expression*.

If the *question-expression* is neither *#true* nor *#false*, *if* reports an error.

```
(and expression expression expression ...)    syntax
```

Evaluates to *#true* if all the *expressions* are *#true*. If any *expression* is *#false*, the *and* expression evaluates to *#false* (and the expressions to the right of that expression are not evaluated.)

If any of the expressions evaluate to a value other than *#true* or *#false*, *and* reports an error.

```
(or expression expression expression ...)    syntax
```

Evaluates to *#true* as soon as one of the *expressions* is *#true* (and the expressions to the right of that expression are not evaluated.) If all of the *expressions* are *#false*, the *or* expression evaluates to *#false*.

If any of the expressions evaluate to a value other than *#true* or *#false*, *or* reports an error.

```
(check-expect expression expected-expression)    syntax
```

Checks that the first *expression* evaluates to the same value as the *expected-expression*.

```
(check-expect (fahrenheit->celsius 212) 100)
(check-expect (fahrenheit->celsius -40) -40)

(define (fahrenheit->celsius f)
  (* 5/9 (- f 32)))
```

```
(cond [question-expression answer-expression] ...)    syntax
(cond [question-expression answer-expression]
      ...
      [else answer-expression])
```

Chooses a clause based on some condition. *cond* finds the first *question-expression* that evaluates to *#true*, then evaluates the corresponding *answer-expression*.

If none of the *question-expressions* evaluates to *#true*, *cond*'s value is the *answer-expression* of the *else* clause. If there is no *else*, *cond* reports an error. If the result of a *question-expression* is neither *#true* nor *#false*, *cond* also reports an error.

*else* cannot be used outside of *cond*.

# The design recipe

## DATA

### ① Data definition

Give the data definition a name, and state the set of values that are part of it.

### ② Interpretation

State how values should be interpreted, covering each field/clause if there are multiple of them.

### ③ Examples

Provide a set of representative examples, building up complex examples iteratively.

### ④ Template

Provide a template for functions that accept this data definition as input.

## FUNCTIONS

### ① Signature

Give the name of the function, the argument types that it expects as input, and what type it returns.

### ② Purpose statement

Describe in one sentence what the function does. This should be roughly the length of a tweet.

### ③ Tests

Provide a set of representative tests, covering different kinds of input and different behaviors.

### ④ Code

Starting with the template for the input data definition, write the code for the function.

```
(substring s i j) → string                                     procedure
s : string
i : natural?
j : natural?
```

Extracts the substring starting at  $i$  up to  $j$  (or the end if  $j$  is not provided).

```
> (substring "hello world" 1 5)
"ello"
> (substring "hello world" 1 8)
"ello wo"
> (substring "hello world" 4)
"o world"
```

```
(string-append s t z ...) → string
s : string
t : string
z : string
```

Concatenates the characters of several strings.

```
> (string-append "hello" " " "world" " " "good bye")
"hello world good bye"
```

```
(string-length s) → nat
s : string
```

Determines the length of a string.

```
> (string-length "hello world")
11
```