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Problem 01

A palindrome is a word or sequence of characters which reads the same backward or forward. For example the words: **level**, **anna**, **noon**, **rotator** are all palindromes. Write a function **palindrom** that accepts a string as an argument and returns a boolean indicating whether the input is a palindrome or not, for example:

```
palindrome("anna")    # returns True
palindrome("apple")   # returns False
```

Problem 02

Write the Linux command needed to change a file name from **original.txt** to **changed.txt**

Problem 03

Given a string containing characters (a-z), implement a function **runLengthEncode** that compresses repeated 'runs' of the same character by storing the length of that run, and provide a function **runLengthDecode** to reverse the compression. The output can be anything, as long as you can recreate the input with it.

For example:

```
runLengthEncode("aaaaaaaaabbbaaaaaaayyyzyx")    # returns "a10b3a1x4y3z1y1x1"
runLengthDecode("a10b3a1x4y3z1y1x1")              # returns "aaaaaaaaabbbaaaaaaayyyzyx"
```

Problem 04

Let **f** and **g** be two one-argument functions. The composition **f** after **g** is defined to be the function $x \mapsto f(g(x))$. Define a function **compose** that implements composition. For example, if **inc** is a function that adds **1** to its argument, and **square** is a function that squares its argument, then:

```
h = compose(square, inc)    # create a new function h by composing inc and square
h(6)                        # returns 49
```

Problem 05

Write a function **unique** that takes an array of strings as input and returns an array of the unique entries in the input, for example:

```
unique(['apples', 'oranges', 'flowers', 'apples'])    # returns ['oranges', 'flowers']
```

```
unique(['apples', 'apples']) # returns []
```

Problem 06

In linear algebra, the transpose of a matrix A is another matrix A^T created by writing the rows of A as the columns of A^T , for example:

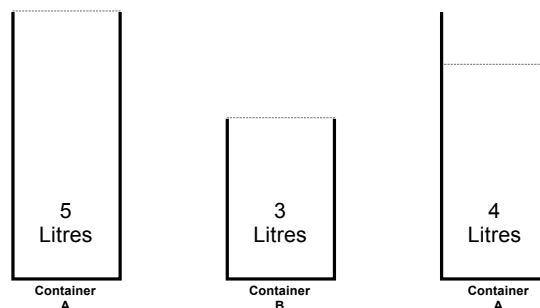
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & b_{21} \\ a_{12} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Write a function **transpose** that transposes a matrix, for example:

```
transpose( [ [1,2], [3,4] ] ) # returns [ [1,3], [2,4] ]
transpose( [ [1,2,3,4], [5,6,7,8] ] ) # returns [ [1,5], [2,6], [3,7], [4,8] ]
```

Problem 07

You are given 2 containers: **A** and **B**. Container **A** can hold **5 litres** of water, while container **B** can hold **3 litres**. You are also given a source of water that you can use as you wish. Show how you can use the containers and the water source to put exactly **4 litres** of water in container **A**. *No coding required, just write down the steps.*



Problem 08

Given an *integer* array of length **n**, find the index of the first duplicate element in the array and state the runtime and space complexity of your implementation, for example:

```
# returns 3, assuming the index starts with 0
index_of_first_duplicate( [ 5, 17, 3, 17, 4, -1 ] )
```

Problem 09

Given the below tree structure, write a function **sum** that accepts a **node** and returns the sum of integers for the whole tree represented by the given **node** argument

```
struct Node {
    value: Integer,
    children: [Node] # array of nodes
}
```