

CSF
Hwk06.5
Re-Curse You Red Baron

Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to implement these recursive functions in LISP. Your head may end up hurting. Don't worry – it won't be permanent.

First... you must learn LISP!

Basics

Starting clisp: From the ADA terminal, type: clisp

Exiting clisp: (quit)

To get out of the break level: Ctrl-D

To load a lisp text file: (load 'filename.lisp)

Comments: The comment symbol in lisp is: ;
Anything on a line that follows a semicolon will be ignored.

Useful: At the top of your file, define a function that allows you to quickly load in your text file: For example:

```
(defun l () (load 'lab65.lisp))
```

Now, you can just use (l) to load in the file.

Defining Functions

```
(defun <function-name> (<var> <var> ...)  
<code>  
)
```

Manipulating Lists

Breaking: (first '(a b c)) --> a Also: (car '(a b c)) --> a
(rest '(a b c)) --> (b c) Also: (cdr '(a b c)) --> (b c)

Making:

```
(append '(a b) '(c d)) --> (a b c d)  
(cons 'a '(b c d)) --> (a b c d)  
(list 'a 'b) --> (a b)
```

Predicates

(not NIL) --> t, (not t) --> NIL
(equal '(a) '(a)) --> t, (equal '(a) '(b)) --> NIL, (equal 3 (+ 2 1)) --> t

(null '()) --> t, (null '(a)) --> NIL
(atom 'a) --> t, (atom '(a)) --> NIL
(listp 'a) --> NIL, (listp '(a)) --> t

Conditional

(cond (<test> <result>)
 (<test1> <result1>)
 ) --> returns first result where test is true.
(cond (t 3)) --> 3, (cond ((equal 2 3) 4) ((equal 5 5) 6)) --> 6

Basic math operation

(+ 4 5) --> 9
(- 10 3) --> 7
(* 5 6) --> 30
(/ 4.5 2.3) --> 1.9565217
(mod 11 3) --> 2

Variables

In LISP, it is often the case that you can get by with few or no variables (other than parameters). This is because everything returns a value and you can use functional composition. If you want to make local variables, you can use the let mechanism. This will create a number of local variables and also create a scope in which they are visible and alive. Only use variables if needed (which is rarely).

```
(let (x y)  
  <code>  
)
```

If you want to set a local variable, use the setq function
(setq a 3) --> Sets a to 3 and returns 3

Misc

(print lst) --> prints out the list lst (useful for debugging).

(trace <function>) : Turns on tracing of the given function. This shows when you go in and out of a function.

(untrace <function>) : Turns tracing off for this function.

THE LAB

The bunny slope:

Write a function `countelements(lst)` which takes a list and counts the number of elements that it has.

Ex:

`(countelements '(a b c d (e f) g)) --> 6`

`(countelements '()) --> 0`

The green circle:

Write a function `myreverse(lst)` which takes a list and returns the list `lst` reversed at the top level.

Ex:

`(myreverse '(a b a b a a c d a)) --> (A D C A A B A B A)`

`(myreverse '(a (b a) b a (a) c (d e) a)) --> (A (D E) C (A) A B (B A) A)`

`(myreverse '(the cat)) --> (CAT THE)`

The blue square:

Write a function `myremove(atm lst)` which takes an atom and a list and returns the list `lst` with all elements equal to `atm` removed at the top level.

Ex:

`(myremove 'a '(a b a b a a c d a)) --> (B B C D)`

`(myremove 'a '(a (b a) b a (a) c (d e) a)) --> ((B A) B (A) C (D E))`

`(myremove 'the '()) --> ()`

The black diamond:

Write a function `reccalc(lst)` which acts as a prefix notation calculator with integers and `+` `-` `*` and `/`.

Ex:

`(reccalc '(/ (+ 2 8) 2) (- 10 4))) --> 11`

Note: Each operator takes exactly 2 arguments, e.g. you can't have `(+ 2 3 4)`.

The mega-challenge:

Write a function `megareverse(lst)` which takes a list `lst` and REALLY reverses it.

Ex:

`(megareverse '(the (cat (in the hat)) went for (a walk)))`

`--> ((walk a) for went ((hat the in) cat) the)`

The double dare-ya mega-challenge:

Write a function `megaremove(atm lst)` which takes an atom and a list and returns the list `lst` with all atoms equal to `atm` removed at ALL levels.

Ex:

`(megaremove 'a (a b a b a a c d a)) --> (B B C D)`

`(megaremove 'a '(a (b a) b (a (b a b) c) (a) c (d e))) --> ((B) B ((B B) C) NIL C (D E))`

Extra Credit I:**The super double dare-ya mega-challenge with cherry on top:**

Write a function `sandr(targetlst replst)` which takes a target list `targetlst` and a list `replst` that contains pairs of search and replace atoms. It should return `targetlst` with ALL items appropriately replaced. You may want to use a helper function(s) if you find it useful.

Ex:

```
(sandr '(a (b a) b (a (b a b) c) (a) c (d e)) '((a x) (c y)))
--> (x (b x) b (x (b x b) y) (x) y (d e))
```

Extra Credit II:**The Victory Lap:**

Write a function `flatten(lst)` which takes a list and basically removes all inner parentheses.

Ex:

```
(flatten '(the (cat (in the hat)) went for (a walk) )
--> (the cat in the hat went for a walk)
```

The super double dare-ya mega-challenge with cherry on top:

Write a function `sandr(targetlst replst)` which takes a target list `targetlst` and a list `replst` that contains pairs of search and