

COMP 360, Spring 2013, Assignment 2

In this assignment, you will write a number of Racket functions. A few use strings and characters (which are separate data types in Racket), so you may find it useful to check the the relevant Racket documentation sections.

Racket reference: <http://docs.racket-lang.org/reference>

Strings: <http://docs.racket-lang.org/reference/strings.html>

Characters: <http://docs.racket-lang.org/reference/characters.html>

For the examples, we use `==>` to mean “evaluates to.”

1. Write a function `only-capitals` that takes a list containing strings and returns another list containing strings that has only the strings in the argument that start with an upper-case letter. Assume all strings have at least one character. Use `filter`, `string-ref`, and `char-upper-case?` to make a 1-2 line solution.

```
Ex: (only-capitals '("I" "go" "to" "Rhodes" "College" "in" "Memphis"))  
==> '("I" "Rhodes" "College" "Memphis")
```

2. Write a function `longest-string1` that takes a list of strings and returns the longest string in the argument. If the list is empty, return `"` (the empty string). In the case of a tie, return the string closest to the beginning of the list. Use `foldr`, `string-length`, and no (other) recursion.

```
Ex: (longest-string1 '("I" "go" "to" "Rhodes" "College" "in" "Memphis"))  
==> "College"
```

3. Write a function `longest-string2` that works exactly like `longest-string1` except in the case of a tie, return the string closest to the end of the list. Your solution should be almost an exact copy of `longest-string1`.

```
Ex: (longest-string2 '("I" "go" "to" "Rhodes" "College" "in" "Memphis"))  
==> "Memphis"
```

4. Recall that the normal version of `map` takes a function of a single argument and a list, and returns a new list consisting of the function applied to each element of the original list. Write a function called `map2` that takes a function of *two* arguments, and two lists of equal length. `map2` returns a new list consisting of the function applied to corresponding pairs of elements from each of the two argument lists.

```
Ex: (map2 + '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6)) ==> '(5 7 9)
```

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Ex: (map2 expt '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6)) ==> '(1 32 729)
```

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Ex: (map2 cons '(1 2 3) '((4 5) (6 7 8) ())) ==> '((1 4 5) (2 6 7 8) (3))
```

5. Write a function called `map-any` that takes a function of *any number* of arguments, and a list of lists. The number of sublists in the list of lists must match the number of arguments that the function takes. `map-any` returns a new list consisting of the function applied to corresponding *n*-tuples of elements from each of the *n* sublists of the list argument.

You will need to use the function `apply`, which takes a function and a list of arguments, and returns the value obtained by applying the function to the arguments.

```
Example of apply: (apply + '(1 2 3)) ==> 6
```

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Ex: (map-any + '((1 2 3) (4 5 6) (7 8 9))) ==> '(12 15 18)
Ex: (map-any (lambda (a b c d) (if (> a b) c d))
        '((1 4) (2 3) (10 20) (30 40))) ==> '(30 20)
```

6. Write a *tail-recursive* general-purpose comparison function called `least` that takes a function `f` and a list `lst`. `f` should be a function that specifies a partial order relation (in other words, a function of two arguments that returns `#t` or `#f` by comparing its arguments to determine which one is “smaller”), and `lst` should be a list of elements of the appropriate data type to pass to `f`. `least` should return the “smallest” element in `lst`. You may assume there will not be any duplicate items in `lst` (so breaking ties won’t matter).

Note that you can’t use `foldr` here because `foldr` is not tail-recursive.

Make sure you don’t accidentally write an exponential time algorithm.

```
Ex: (least < '(2 4 3 5 1 7 6)) ==> 1
Ex: (least > '(2 4 3 5 1 7 6)) ==> 7
Ex: (least string<? '("I" "go" "to" "Rhodes" "College" "in" "Memphis"))
    ==> "College"
```

7. Write a *tail-recursive* function called `lookup` that takes a function and a list of lists. The function must be a predicate (a function that returns `#t` or `#f`) of a single argument, and the sublists of the list argument all must have two elements. `lookup` examines each sublist left to right searching for the first sublist where the `car` of the sublist satisfies the predicate. When such a sublist is found, the second element of the sublist is returned. If no sublist is found where the `car` satisfies the predicate, `lookup` returns `#f`.

```
Ex: (lookup (lambda (x) (< x 3)) '((4 "Alice") (2 "Bob") (1 "Carl")))
    ==> "Bob"
Ex (lookup (lambda (x) (< x 1)) '((4 "Alice") (2 "Bob") (1 "Carl")))
    ==> #f
```

8. Write a function called `power-set` that takes a list of numbers (representing a set) and returns the power set of that list. Your solution will use recursion, but should use `map` as well. Using `foldr` is optional. The order of the elements in the output list is not important (since it represents a set).

Hint: For a set S , define S' as S with some element removed. Then the power set of S can be defined recursively as the union of the power set of S' and the result of a `map` over the power set of S' .

```
Ex: (power-set '(1 2 3)) ==> '(() (3) (2) (2 3) (1) (1 3) (1 2) (1 2 3))
[the order of elements in the power set above is not important]
```

9. Write a function called `dot-product` that takes two lists representing vectors, and returns their dot product. The dot product of the vector $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$ and $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$ is $\sum_{i=1}^n v_i w_i$. Do this with `foldr` and `map2`.

Use the following skeleton code, filling in the spots with the `[?]`:

```
(define (dot-product v w)
  (foldr [?] [?] (map2 [?] [?] [?])))
Ex: (dot-product '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6)) ==> 32
```

10. Write a function called `matrix-*-vector` that multiplies a list of lists (representing a matrix), by a list (representing a vector).

Use the following skeleton code, filling in the spots with the [?]:

```
(define (matrix-*-vector m v)
  (map [?] m))
```

Ex: `(matrix-*-vector '((1 2 3) (4 5 6)) '(-1 1 2)) ==> '(7 13)`

11. Write a function called `transpose` that takes a list of lists (representing a matrix) as an argument and returns the transpose of that matrix.

Use the following skeleton code, filling in the spots with the [?]:

```
(define (transpose m)
  (if (null? (car m)) '()
      (cons [?] (transpose [?]))))
```

Ex: `(transpose '((1 2 3) (4 5 6))) ==> '((1 4) (2 5) (3 6))`

12. Write a function called `matrix-*-matrix` that takes two lists of lists (representing matrices) as arguments and returns their product.

Use the following skeleton code, filling in the spot with the [?]:

```
(define (matrix-*-matrix m n)
  (let ((cols (transpose n)))
    (map [?] cols)))
```

Ex: `(define A '((1 2 3) (4 5 6)))`
`(define B (transpose A))`
`(matrix-*-matrix A B) ==> '((14 32) (32 77))`
`(matrix-*-matrix B A) ==> '((17 22 27) (22 29 36) (27 36 45))`

Assessment

Solutions should be:

- Correct
- In good style, including indentation and line breaks
- Written using features discussed in class. In particular, you must not use any mutation operations nor arrays (even though Racket has them).

Turn-in Instructions

- Put all your solutions in one file, `hw2_lastname_firstname.rkt`, where `lastname` is replaced with your last name, and `firstname` is replaced with your first name.
- Upload your file to Moodle before the project deadline.