

BINARY NUMBERS AND MUTATION

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1 Binary Tables

1. Fill out the following table. Write N/A if the conversion is not possible. Some entries have already been filled out for you.

| Decimal | Binary (unsigned) | Binary (two's complement) |
|---------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 25 | | |
| | 0010 1010 | |
| | | 0011 1100 |
| -66 | | |
| | | 1010 1000 |

- To convert from binary to decimal, write out which powers of two correspond to a 1, and sum them together.
- To convert from decimal to binary, it can be useful to create a binary place value table.

| | | | | | | | |
|-----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
| 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

- Starting with the closest power of two **smaller** than our decimal, set it to 1 in the table and subtract this from the decimal. Repeat until the decimal is zero.
- To convert from a negative decimal to two's complement binary, begin by finding the closest power of two **larger** than the decimal. For 66, this is 128.

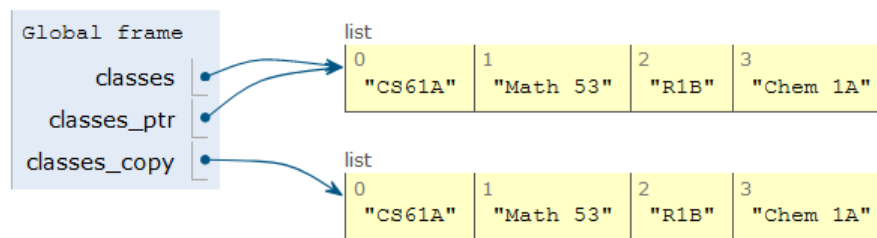
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|------|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
| -128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

- Set this value to 1 in the table and **add** this value to the decimal (since it is really a negative number) which should result in a positive decimal.
- Then, we use normal binary conversion to shrink the decimal to zero.

2 Mutation

Let's imagine it's your first year at Cal, and you have signed up for your first classes!

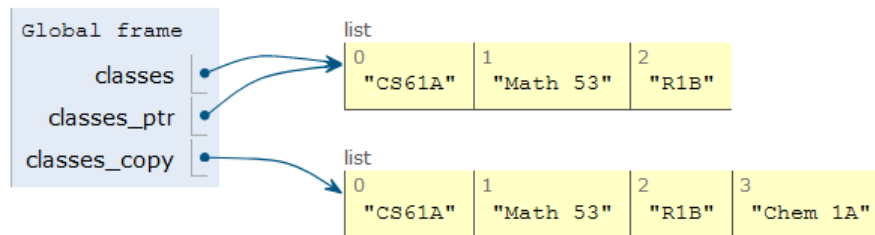
```
>>> classes = ["CS61A", "Math 53", "R1B", "Chem 1A"]
>>> classes_ptr = classes
>>> classes_copy = classes[:]
```



After a few weeks, you realize that you cannot keep up with the workload and you need to drop a class. You've chosen to drop Chem 1A. Based on what we know so far, to change our classes list, we would have to create a new list with all the same elements as the original list except for Chem 1A. But that is silly, since all we really need to do is remove the Chem 1A element from our list.

We can fix this issue with list mutation. In Python, some objects, such as lists and dictionaries, are mutable, meaning that their contents or state can be changed over the course of program execution. Other objects, such as numeric types, tuples, and strings are immutable, meaning they cannot be changed once they are created. Therefore, instead of creating a new list, we can just call `classes.pop()`, which removes the last element from the list.

```
>>> classes.pop() # pop returns whatever item it removed  
"Chem 1A"
```



List methods that mutate:

- `append(e1)`: Adds `e1` to the end of the list
- `extend(lst)`: Extends the list by concatenating it with `lst`
- `insert(i, e1)`: Insert `e1` at index `i` (does not replace element but adds a new one)
- `remove(e1)`: Removes the first occurrence of `e1` in list, otherwise errors
- `pop(i)`: Removes and returns the element at index `i`, if you do not include an index it pops the last element of the list

Ways to copy: list splicing (`[start:end:step]`), `list(...)`

1. What would Python display? If an error occurs, write "Error". If a function is displayed, write "Function". If nothing is returned, write "Nothing".

```
>>> a = [1, 2]
>>> b = a
>>> print (a.append([3, 4]))

>>> a

>>> b

>>> c = a[:]
>>> a[0] = 5
>>> a[2][0] = 6
>>> c

>>> a.extend([7, 8])
>>> a += [9]
>>> a += 10

>>> a

>>> print (c.pop(), c)
```

2. Given some list `lst`, possibly a deep list, mutate `lst` to have the accumulated sum of all elements so far in the list. If there is a nested list, mutate it to similarly reflect the accumulated sum of all elements so far in the nested list. Return the total sum of the original `lst`.

Hint: The `isinstance` function returns True for `isinstance(l, list)` if `l` is a list and False otherwise.

```
def accumulate(lst):
    """
    >>> l = [1, 5, 13, 4]
    >>> accumulate(l)
    23
    >>> l
    [1, 6, 19, 23]
    >>> deep_l = [3, 7, [2, 5, 6], 9]
    >>> accumulate(deep_l)
    32
    >>> deep_l
    [3, 10, [2, 7, 13], 32]
    """
    sum_so_far = 0
    for _____:
        _____
        if isinstance(_____, list):
            inside = _____
            _____
        else:
            _____
            _____
    return _____
```

3 Potpourri

1. Fill in `collapse`, which takes in a non-negative integer `n` and returns the number resulting from removing all digits that are equal to an adjacent digit, i.e. the number has no adjacent digits that are the same.

```
def collapse(n) :  
    """  
    >>> collapse(12234441)  
    12341  
    >>> collapse(11200000013333)  
    12013  
    """  
    rest, last = n // 10, n % 10  
  
    if _____ :  
        _____  
  
    elif _____ :  
        _____  
  
    else :  
        _____
```

2. Implement the function `make_change`, which takes in a non-negative integer amount in cents `n` and returns the minimum number of coins needed to make change for `n` using 1-cent, 3-cent, and 4-cent coins.

```
def make_change(n):  
    """  
    >>> make_change(5) # 5 = 4 + 1 (not 3 + 1 + 1)  
    2  
    >>> make_change(6) # 6 = 3 + 3 (not 4 + 1 + 1)  
    2  
    """  
  
    if _____:  
        return 0  
  
    elif _____:  
        _____  
  
    elif _____:  
        _____  
  
    else:  
        _____
```

3. Given a list of integers `lst`, return the maximum sum of a subset of size `n`. If `n` is greater than or equal to the length of `lst`, just return the sum of the elements `lst`.

```
def max_subset_sum(lst, n):  
    """  
    >>> max_subset_sum([1, 2, 3, 4], 2)  
    7  
    >>> max_subset_sum([1, 4, 2, 0, 6], 3)  
    12  
    """  
  
    if _____:  
        _____  
  
    elif _____:  
        _____  
  
    with_elem = _____ + _____  
  
    without_elem = _____  
  
    return _____
```