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# **Designing Programs**

## **Design recipe**

• As outlined last lecture

## **Helper functions and reuse**

- Writing writing a function, consider whether existing functions help
  - Example: wearing-glasses? uses add-glasses
- Look for functions that you wish you had written
  - Example: same-person-maybe-disguised? needs wearing-beard?

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Fullfill wishes by applying the recipe again (exercise for the reader)

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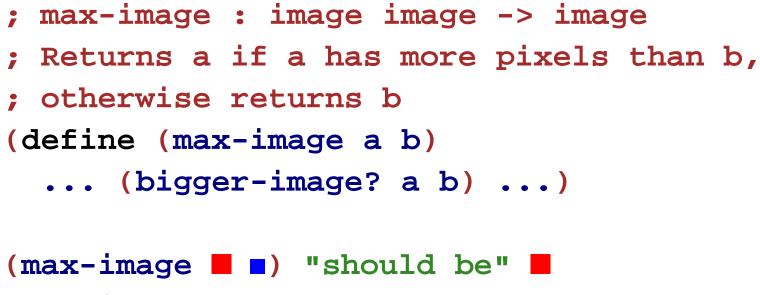
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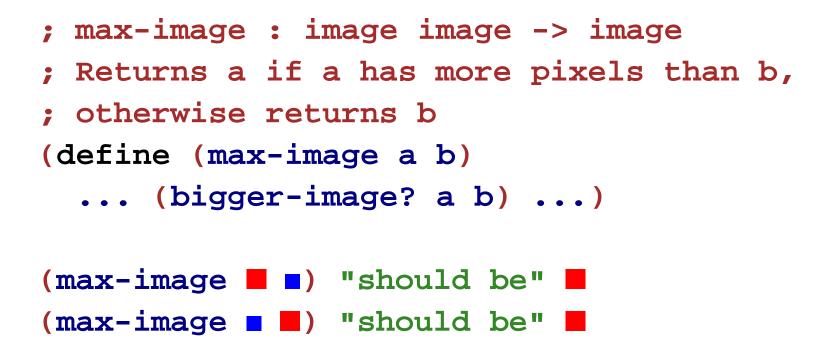
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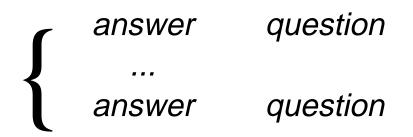


Instead of returning a bool, we need to do one of two things, so we need cond

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# **Conditionals in Algebra**

General format of conditionals in algebra:



Example:

$$abs(x) = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ -x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
$$abs(10) = 10$$
$$abs(-7) = 7$$

# **Conditionals**

General syntax of cond in our language:

(cond
 [question answer]
 ...
 [question answer])

- Any number of cond lines
- Each line has one *question* expression and one *answer* expression

```
(define (abs x)
  (cond
    [(> x 0) x]
    [else (- x)]))
(abs 10) "should be" 10
(abs -7) "should be" 7
```

# **Completing max-image**

• Use cond to complete max-image

```
(define (max-image a b)
 (cond
   [(bigger-image? a b) a]
   [else b]))
```

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First question is literally true or else

(cond
 [true answer]
 ...
 [question answer])

• Keep only the first answer

Example:

```
\begin{array}{ccc} (\texttt{* 1 (cond} & \rightarrow (\texttt{* 1 0}) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \texttt{[true 0])} \end{array}
```

First question is literally **false** 

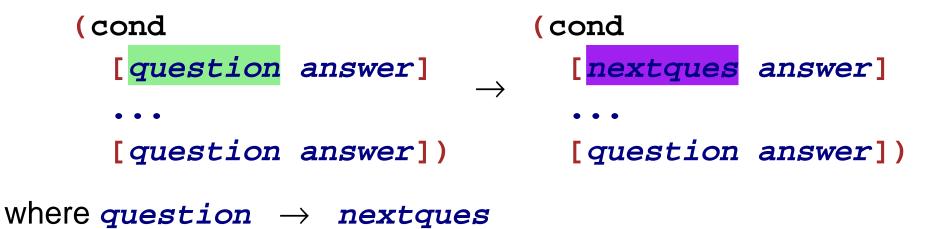
(cond
 [false answer]
 [question answer] →
 [question answer])
 (cond
 [question answer])

• Throw away the first line

Example:

 $\rightarrow$  (+ 1 17)  $\rightarrow$  18

First question isn't a value, yet



• Evaluate first question as sub-expression

Example:

Only queston is false answers

(cond
 [false 10])

 $\rightarrow$  error: all questions false

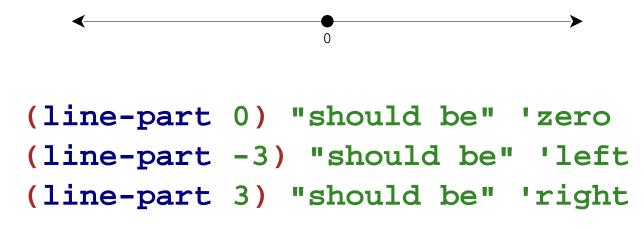
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#### Examples

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## Body

When the problem statement divides the input into *N* categories:

- Start the body with a cond expression and N lines
- Formulate a question to recognize each category

## Example:

Write the function **line-part** that determines whether a number is on zero, to the left, or to the right on a number line

```
Three cases, so three lines: (define (line-part n)
(cond
[(= n 0) ...]
[(< n 0) ...]
[(> n 0) ...]))
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# **Finding Images**



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# **Image Tests in Conditionals**

Now we can combine such operators with cond:

; detect-person : image image image -> image ; Returns a or b, depending on which is in i (define (detect-person i a b) (cond [(image-inside? i a) a] [(image-inside? i b) b]))



(detect-person

#### "should be"

# **Finding and Adjusting Images**

Suppose we want to write **frame-person**:



(frame-person



"should be"

Need an operator that reports where an image exists

# **Finding an Image Position**

# find-image : image image -> num num Must return a single value

Correct contract:

find-image : image image -> posn

• A **posn** is a *compound value* 

# **Positions**

• A posn is

(make-posn X Y)

where **x** is a **num** and **y** is a **num** 

Examples:

(make-posn 1 2) (make-posn 17 0)

A **posn** is a value, just like a number, symbol, or image

## posn-x and posn-y

The **posn-x** and **posn-y** operators extract numbers from a **posn**:

- (posn-x (make-posn 1 2))  $\rightarrow$  1
- (posn-y (make-posn 1 2))  $\rightarrow$  2
- General evaluation rules for any **x** and **y**:

(posn-x (make-posn X Y))  $\rightarrow$  X

(posn-y (make-posn X Y))  $\rightarrow$  Y

# **Positions and Values**

ls (make-posn 100 200) a value?

Yes.

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# **Positions and Values**

Is (make-posn (+ 1 2) 200) a value?

**No. (+ 1 2)** is not a **num**, yet.

• Two more evaluation rules:

Example:

(make-posn (+ 1 2) 200)  $\rightarrow$  (make-posn 3 200)

## **More Examples**

Try these in DrScheme's stepper:

```
(make-posn (+ 1 2) (+ 3 4))
(posn-x (make-posn (+ 1 2) (+ 3 4)))
; pixels-from-corner : posn -> num
(define (pixels-from-corner p)
  (+ (posn-x p) (posn-y p)))
(pixels-from-corner (make-posn 1 2))
; flip : posn -> posn
(define (flip p)
  (make-posn (posn-y p) (posn-x p)))
(flip (make-posn 1 2))
```