

CSC151.02 2014S, Class 18: Boolean Values and Predicate Procedures

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Preliminaries

Admin

- Cookies!
- It's "Pick your own partner" week.
- I apologize for the problems in MathLAN. (They are not my fault, but I do worry that they affect your ability to get work done.)
 - I have made HW 4 optional.
- I have virtual computers for 151 that you can run on your own computer.
 - Get a flash drive from Ajuna.
 - Use the file called Xubuntu151-v1.2.vba.o??, open it with VirtualBox.
 - See instructions at <https://github.com/GlimmerLabs/virtual-mediascheme/blob/master/UserGuide.md>
 - I'll also email a link.
- Some folks have asked me about the email posters around campus. Do you want me to give my perspective on these matters?
- Extra credit:
 - Thursday extra: Technical Interviews.
 - Friday CS Table: Skip Lists.
 - Improv Saturday, 7pm, Younker.

Upcoming Work

- Reading for Wednesday: Conditionals
- NO WRITEUP, Except for the people who failed to read this.
- Today's lab writeup: Exercises 4a, 4b, and 5
 - Subject: CSC 151.02 Writeup 13: Booleans and Predicates (OPTIONAL NAME)
- Review exam answer key.
- Sign up for a meeting if you invoked "there's more to life" (sign up sheet outside my office)

Questions on the homework?

Boolean values

What questions do we ask when we learn a new data type?

- What are they?
 - Truth!
- What do we use them for?
 - To make decisions
- What are the legal values?
 - True and false
 - In Scheme, there's false and "everything else"
- How do we express them?
 - #t
 - #f
- How does the computer display/show the data types to us?
 - #t
 - #f

Predicates - Procedures that return Boolean values

- Questions we can ask
 - Is $x < 2$?
 - Is this an RGB color?
 - Is this an active image?
- Some built in
- Some we write

Combining booleans and other values with and and or

and combines two (or more values)

- Gives true if all of the things are true
- Gives false if any of the things are false
- What if some are neither true nor false?
 - If all of them are trueish, it returns the last one.

or combines two (or more values)

- If any of them are truish, returns the first truish one.
- Returns #f if all of the values are false.

What do expect to get for

- (or)
- (and)

Lab

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