

CSC151.02 2014S, Class 29: Pause for Breath

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Preliminaries

Upcoming work

- Reading for tomorrow: Preconditions, Revisited
- No new lab writeup. Feel free to continue work on Friday's writeup.
- Continue to work on the exam.

Admin

- I probably won't be caught up on grading until after break. Sorry.
- Sorry for the confusion on Friday's lab. We had rearranged topics and hadn't caught all of the prerequisite assumptions.
- Continue with your partners from Friday.
- Extra credit:
 - Artist in Residence Tour tonight Main Quad 7:30

Questions on the exam

Can I assume that the values in the list for `nearest` are in ascending order?

No.

If I write a helper for `nearest` can I have more than two parameters for that helper?

Yes. You'll probably need more than two.

Do I need to document my helpers?

A one-line piece of documentation will suffice. (You'll think about it better writing the six P's, but it's not necessary.)

How can I not die on the nearest procedure?

We've written similar procedures before. So look through the readings and identify an appropriate pattern. `nearest` is looking for the "best" of a set of values. `drawings-leftmost` and `irgb-brightest` do the same.

Can I ask Kim the mentor for help on the exam?

Given that last response, it seems risky. But no, you may not ask Kim for direct help. You can, however, ask her to explain things from past readings and lab. "Kim, I don't understand `drawings-leftmost`. Can you explain how it works?" You also can't ask Kim your colleague.

Let's run through an example by hand?

(nearest 29 (list 19 4 64 1 32 11))

value	best-so-far	remaining
29	19	'(4 64 1 32 11)
29	19	'(64 1 32 11)
29	19	'(1 32 11)
29	19	'(32 11)
29	32	'(11)
29	32	'()

What's a unit of text?

A function name, parameter, value, or keyword.

On problem 3, when we're flattening without conditionals, can we use procedures that you didn't give in the hint?

Yes. You'll probably need `+`, `-`, `*`, or `/`.

Can you give me another hint on question 3?

Sure: $0 = 064$, $64 = 164$, $128 = 264$, $192 = 364$ and $256 = 4*64$.

So think about turning ranges into the multipliers.

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