

Class 25: Recursion with Helper Procedures

Held: Tuesday, 4 March 2008

Summary: We consider a different form of recursion, one based on the construction of *recursive helpers* that take additional parameters. Along the way, we consider the idea of *tail recursion*.

Related Pages:

- EBoard.
- Lab: Recursion with Helper Procedures.
- Reading: Recursion with Helper Procedures.

Notes:

- I will continue to reserve time at the start of class for any campus issues you want to discuss.
- Are there questions on Assignment 6?
- It looks like we're on target to distribute the next exam tomorrow.
- Reading for Wednesday: List Recursion, Revisited.
- Thursday's Thursday Extra: John Stone on Open Document Formats.

Overview:

- Delayed evaluation in recursive procedures.
- A strategy: Carry along intermediate results.
- Using recursive helpers.
- A term: Tail recursion.
- Designing recursive procedures.

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