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1. [8 points] Implement the following function.

```python
def send_help(s):
    
    s is a string of one or more non-empty sequences of dashes and dots separated by single
    exclamation points. Each sequence represents a letter in Morse Code (A= '.-', B= '-...', O= '---', S= '...')

    Using this exclamation point encoding, the sign for needing help (usually SOS: ...----... )
    would be !...!---!...!

    We want to send help even if the SOS signal is 'hidden' among other sequences in s.

    Returns True if the sequences for SOS appear in that order even if other sequences are present. Otherwise return False.

    Examples:
    send_help('!...!---!...!') returns True
    send_help('!....!..!-!---!....!') returns True
    send_help('!....!...!-!---!') returns False (wrong order)
    send_help('!....!...!-!---!') returns False ('....' is H)
    send_help('!....!...!-!---!') returns False ('.---' is J)
    ```
2. The function `encrypt` below should transform an input string (plaintext) into an encrypted string (ciphertext). Sadly, there are multiple bugs in the code below. Read the specifications carefully; then, identify and fix the bugs.

The encryption uses the Fibonacci sequence. The Fibonacci sequence is defined recursively in the docstring of `fib()`, but the implementation uses a while loop. The first few numbers in the sequence are 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, ...

As shown in the following table, the \( n^{th} \) letter in the alphabet is mapped to the \( n^{th} \) Fibonacci number:

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For example, “A”, the first letter in the alphabet, is mapped to the first number in the sequence \( \text{fib}(1) = 1 \), “B”, the second letter in the alphabet, is mapped to the second number in the sequence \( \text{fib}(2) = 1 \), “C” is mapped to the third \( \text{fib}(3) = 2 \), “D” is mapped to the fourth \( \text{fib}(4) = 3 \), etc.

The concatenation of all of these numbers (separated by spaces) becomes the ciphertext. Thus, encrypting the plaintext “fade” should result in the ciphertext “8 1 3 5” because “F” maps to 8, “A” maps to 1, “D” maps to 3, and “E” maps to 5.

```python
def fib(n):
    """
    Returns the nth Fibonacci number.
    Precondition: n > 0
    """
    if n == 1 or n == 2:
        return 1
    prev_prev = 1
    prev = 1
    curr_fib = prev_prev + prev
    counter = 3
    while counter <= n:
        prev_prev = prev
        prev = curr_fib
        curr_fib = prev_prev + prev
        counter += 1
    return curr_fib

def encrypt(plaintext):
    """
    Encrypts the plaintext using the following rule:
    each (capitalized) letter of the plaintext is mapped to the corresponding element of the Fibonacci sequence.
    The concatenation of all these numbers (separated by spaces) becomes the ciphertext.
    Returns the ciphertext.
    Precondition: plaintext contains only letters
    ""
    alphabet = '!ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ' # start with '!' # so letters start at index 1
ciphertext = "
plaintext_index = 0
while plaintext_index < len(plaintext):
    curr_letter = plaintext[plaintext_index]
    alpha_index = alphabet.index(curr_letter)
ciphertext += str(fib(alpha_index)) + ""
plaintext_index += 1
return ciphertext
```
(a) [5 points] Consider the following call to `encrypt` and the Python error it triggers.

```python
>>> print(encrypt("fade"))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "cipher.py", line 47, in encrypt
    alpha_index = alphabet.index(curr_letter)
ValueError: substring not found
```

Below, explain where (a single line number) and why this error is triggered. And, write below the correct version of the line.

(b) [5 points] After the first bug (above) is fixed, the call

```python
>>> print(encrypt("fade"))
```

should print the following string: `'8 1 3 5'`. Instead, it prints: `'13 1 5 8'`.

Below, explain where (a single line number) and why this problem is triggered. (Hint: three of the Fibonacci numbers look wrong; where are those calculated for each letter?). And, write below the correct version of the line.

(c) [5 points] After the two bugs above are fixed, consider the following call to `encrypt` and the Python error it triggers.

```python
>>> print(encrypt("attack@6:30"))
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
  File "cipher.py", line 47, in encrypt
    alpha_index = alphabet.index(curr_letter)
ValueError: substring not found
```

Is this a bug in the code? If so, identify the issue and provide the correct version of the line. If not, explain why.
3. [15 points] Implement the following function, making effective use of for-loops.

```python
def extract_maxes(values):
    
    values: a non-empty list of non-empty lists of ints >= 0
    (no need to enforce these preconditions)

    Modifies `values` as follows:
    Removes the largest value from each list of ints in `values`.
    If there is a tie (2-way or more), removes the last occurrence
    of the largest value in that list and ignores the earlier occurrences

    Return: a list containing the removed entries in their original order

    Ex: values = [ [4, 0, 12], [20], [4, 1, 2] ]
    Modified values = [ [4, 0], [], [1, 2] ]
    Returns [12, 20, 4]

    Ex: values = [ [12, 40, 16, 8], [30, 21, 30, 24] ]
    Modified values = [ [12, 16, 8], [30, 21, 24] ]
    Returns [40, 30]
    
    # You may NOT use the built-in max() function.
```
4. [15 points] In this question, we will model the spread of fake news through a social network. This network is composed of Person objects with the following attributes:

- **name** [str] - unique non-empty name of this person
- **following** [list of Persons] - people this person follows
- **fact_checker** [boolean] - True if this person always fact checks their news before sharing. Otherwise (if the person shares news without doing their own research), False.

Assume no two people share the same name, and no person can reach themselves by tracing through the following network.

Implement the function below, making effective use of recursion.

```python
def find_spreaders(root):
    """ Returns a (possibly empty) list of names of persons in root's network (including root) who don't fact-check news. (They spread fake news.)

    Example:
    a = Person("Alice", [], True)
    b = Person("Bob", [], False)
    c = Person("Caitlin", [a, b], False)

    find_spreaders(a) returns []
    find_spreaders(b) returns ["Bob"]
    find_spreaders(c) returns ["Caitlin", "Bob"]

    Precondition (no need to assert): root is a Person """

    # Note: the original question said to return a "list of persons" instead of
    # a "list of the names of persons". Credit was given for returning a
    # list of persons OR a list of person's names
```

5. [20 points] Execute the script below; draw the global space, the call frames, and the heap space (including both class folders and object folders). We drew the first class folder for you. For method call frames, give the method name as \langle\text{class name}\rangle.\langle\text{method name}\rangle()$, since we need to know which class’s method is being called. Don’t forget to draw the call frames for \_\_init\_.

```python
class A:
    y = 6

    def __init__(self, z):
        self.x = 2
        y = self.y + z
        A.y = y + 1
        self.swap()

    def swap(self):
        temp = self.x
        self.x = self.y
        self.y = temp

class B(A):
    y = 1

    def __init__(self, z, w):
        self.z = y - z
        super().__init__(w)

    def swap(self):
        temp = self.x
        self.x = self.y
        self.y = temp

b = B(5,2)
```

[Diagram of global space, heap, and call stack:
- Global Space: A
- Heap: A
- Call Stack:
  - A
  - \_\_init\_(self, z)
  - swap(self)
]
6. [10 points] This question simulates managing schools (groups) of fish in fish tanks. Here is the docstring for a new class `School`.

```python
class School:
    """Instance attributes:
    fish_type [non-empty str]: type of the fish (e.g., "angelfish")
    count [int >= 0]: number of fish in this school
    ""
```

And here is the docstring for a new class `FishTank`.

```python
class FishTank:
    """Instance attributes:
    my_fish [School]: the school that lives in this fish tank
    a fish tank can contain only one school at a time
    CAPACITY [int >= 0]: max number of fish that can fit in the tank
    Once initialized, this value should not change.
    ""
```

Implement the `migrate_fish` method of class `FishTank` so that it meets its specification.

```python
def migrate(self, tank2, n):
    """Move n fish from self to tank2.
    (counts of both schools should change accordingly)
    Preconditions (no need to assert):
    - the two tanks have the same fish_type
    - tank2 is a FishTank
    - n is a positive int

    Move n fish, but also only as many fish as the donor school can offer
    (based on its count) and also only as many as the receiving tank can accept
    (based on the count of its current school and capacity of the tank).
    ""
```
7. [20 points] In this question, we begin with a new \texttt{Message} class defined as follows:

\begin{verbatim}
class Message:
    """Instance Attributes:
    author [non-empty str]: username of the author of the message.
    No two authors can have the same username.
    content [non-empty str]: content of this message
    likes [int >= 0]: number of likes the message has. Initially 0.
    dislikes [int >= 0]: number of dislikes the message has. Initially 0.
    """

    def __init__(self, a, c):
        """Creates a new Message with:
        author a, content c, 0 likes and dislikes
        Preconditions (no need to enforce):
        a: non-empty str
        c: non-empty str
        """
        self.author = a
        self.content = c
        self.likes = 0
        self.dislikes = 0

    def calculate_score(self):
        """
        Returns the score of this message
        """
        return self.likes - (self.dislikes//2)
\end{verbatim}

A \texttt{Post} is a type of \texttt{Message}. \texttt{Posts} are different from messages in 3 ways:

1. They have titles.
2. Users can leave comments on a post.
3. Authors may pay to promote their post, which has the effect of boosting the post’s score.
Implement the class `Post` below according to the provided specifications. Do not worry about enforcing preconditions.

```python
class Post(Message):
    """Class attributes:
    promo_count [int]: number of posts currently promoted, initially 0
    PROMO_MAX: the max number of posts that can be promoted, set to 10

    Instance attributes:
    Include those of Message. And also:
    title [non-empty str]: title of this post
    comments [list of Messages]: comments on this post. Initially empty.
    is_promoted [bool]: Whether the post is promoted. Initially False.
    """
```

```python
def __init__(self, a, c, t):
    """Creates a new Post with author a, title t, content c,
    0 likes and dislikes, empty comments, is_promoted set to False.
    """
    Preconditions (no need to enforce):
    a: non-empty str
    t: non-empty str
    c: non-empty str
```

A student pointed out that if the score is negative, a promoted post’s score is twice as negative. This doesn’t make much real-world sense, but the exam asked students to implement according to spec.

```python
def calculate_score(self):
    """Returns the score [int] of this post

    If the post is promoted, the score is doubled
    Otherwise, the score is calculated the same as any other Message.
    """
```
def is_controversial(self):
    """ Return: True if this post is controversial; otherwise, False.

    A post is considered controversial if the number of comments is greater than the Post's score.
    """

def promote(self):
    """
    Promotes this post (incrementing the number of promoted posts appropriately)

    Returns True if the promotion was successful, otherwise False

    A promotion cannot be performed if:
        1) the post is already promoted
        2) the post is controversial or
        3) The total number of promoted posts would be greater than PROMO_MAX
    """
8. For each question, provide only one answer. If you provide 2, we will only grade the first.

(a) [2 points] Which of the following statements about while loops is false?

(A) While loops are well-suited to tasks where the exact number of iterations is unknown up front.
(B) If you define a loop variable (like, x, a list element) at the start of a while loop, Python will update its value per iteration.
(C) While loops introduce the possibility of being stuck in an infinite loop.
(D) If a while-loop has header

```python
while not_raining:
```

Python will check whether the variable `not_raining` is true before each iteration.
(E) If you intend to remove a list element when iterating over a list, it’s better to do this with a while loop than a for loop.

Seriously, put your answer in the box. Your Answer:

(b) [2 points] Which of the following statements about Binary Search is false?

(A) Binary Search is faster than Linear Search.
(B) With each step of Binary Search, you can rule out half of the search space.
(C) In Binary Search, doubling the size of the input list does not double the expected time of the search.
(D) Binary Search works on any list, sorted or not.
(E) Binary Search’s complexity is on the order of $\log_2 n$.

Your Answer:

(c) [2 points] What is the “work” that is measured when calculating the runtime complexity of Merge Sort? The work is measured by the number of...

(A) calls to `merge`.
(B) calls to `merge_sort`.
(C) comparisons of individual elements in the list.
(D) times the list is split in half.
(E) elements in the list.

Your Answer: