# 6.01 Final Exam: Fall 2009

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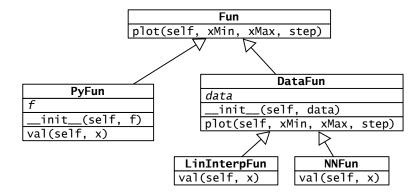
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#### 1 Object-Oriented Programming (20 points)

We will build a set of classes for representing functions (that is, mathematical functions, mapping real numbers to real numbers) in Python. Here is a diagram of the class hierarchy. Each box corresponds to a class, with its name shown in bold. Class attributes are shown in italics and methods are shown in regular text with their arguments. Arrows point upward to the superclass of a class. Fun has no superclass.



Every instance of a subclass of Fun that we create will have two methods: val, which takes an x value and returns the associated y value; and plot, which takes a description of the minimum and maximum x values for plotting, and the spacing between plotted points, and makes a plot. Different functions will be represented internally in different ways. In this problem, we will implement the Fun, PyFun, DataFun, and LinInterpFun classes; the NNFun class is in the diagram to illustrate where we might put a subclass of DataFun that uses a different interpolation strategy.

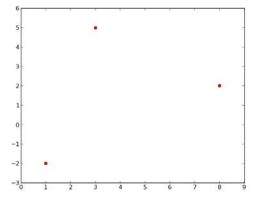
- **A.** The class Fun is an *abstract superclass*. It won't be useful to make an instance of it, but we can put the plot method, which is shared among its subclasses, in it. The plot method should create two lists:
  - xVals is a list whose first value is xMin, and whose subsequent values are xMin + step,
     xMin + step + step, etc., stopping so that the last value is as large as it can be, but less than xMax. step will typically be a float.
  - yVals is a list of the y values of the function, corresponding to the x values in xVals. You can use the val(self, x) method, which is required to be defined for any actual instance of a subclass of Fun.

Then, it can call the global function makePlot on those lists. Assume makePlot is already defined.

So, for example,

makePlot([1, 3, 8], [-2, 5, 2])

would make the plot on the right.

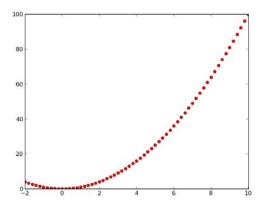


Implement the plot method. Recall that Python's range only works with integer step size.

```
class Fun:
def plot(self, xMin, xMax, step):
```

**B.** The PyFun class is a subclass of Fun. It represents a function just using a Python procedure of a single argument. It should operate as follows:

```
>>> t1 = PyFun(lambda x: x**2)
>>> t1.val(2)
4
>>> t1.val(-3)
9
>>> t1.plot(-2, 10, 0.2)
```



Implement the PyFun class.

- C. The DataFun class is a subclass of Fun, representing functions using a list of (x, y) data points, and using an interpolation rule to evaluate the function at values of x that don't appear in the data set. The data points are not sorted in any particular way. Different subclasses of DataFun will provide different interpolation strategies by implementing different val methods. DataFun is an abstract class, because it does not itself provide a val method. It will provide useful \_\_init\_\_ and plot methods, however.
  - The \_\_init\_\_ method should take a list of (x, y) data pairs as input and store it in an attribute called data.
  - The plot method should first plot the function with regularly-spaced x values, using the plot method from the parent class, Fun; then it should plot the actual data points stored in the data attribute.

Implement the DataFun class.

This part of the problem is worth 5 points; we suggest that you do it only after you have finished the rest of the exam.

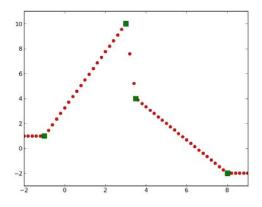
**D.** The LinInterpFun class is a subclass of DataFun. Its only method is val, which performs linear interpolation. That is, given an  $x_i$  value as input, it should look through the data to find the  $x_{lo}$  value that is, of all x values less than or equal to  $x_i$ , closest to  $x_i$ , and the  $x_{hi}$  value that is, of all x values greater than or equal to  $x_i$ , closest to  $x_i$ . Let  $y_{lo}$  be the y value associated with  $x_{lo}$  and  $y_{hi}$  be the y value associated with  $x_{hi}$ . The method should return the linear interpolation value of y for input  $x_i$ , which is:

$$y = y_{lo} + (x_i - x_{lo}) \frac{(y_{hi} - y_{lo})}{(x_{hi} - x_{lo})}$$
.

If the query  $x_i$  is lower than any x value in the data, then the method should return the y value associated with the smallest x value. Values of  $x_i$  that are higher than any x value in the data should be handled analogously. You can assume that all numbers are floats; do not assume that the data are sorted in any way.

Here is an example plot made from an LinInterpFun instance. The large squares are the actual stored data points.

```
t3 = LinInterpFun([(3, 10), (-1, 1), (8, -2), (3.5, 4)])
t3.plot(-2, 10, 0.2)
```



Write your answer in the box on the next page.

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Implement the LinInterpFun class.

## 2 State machines (10 points)

Consider the following program

```
def thing(inputList):
    output = []
    i = 0
    for x in range(3):
        y = 0
        while y < 100 and i < len(inputList):
            y = y + inputList[i]
            output.append(y)
            i = i + 1
    return output
```

**A.** What is the value of

thing([1, 2, 3, 100, 4, 9, 500, 51, -2, 57, 103, 1, 1, 1, 1, -10, 207, 3, 1])

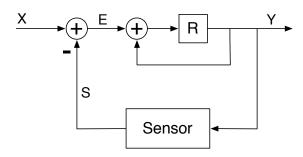
**B.** Write a single state machine class MySM such that MySM().transduce(inputList) gives the same result as thing(inputList), if inputList is a list of numbers. Remember to include a done method, that will cause it to terminate at the same time as thing.

C. Recall the definition of sm.Repeat(m, n): Given a terminating state machine m, it returns a new terminating state machine that will execute the machine m to completion n times, and then terminate.

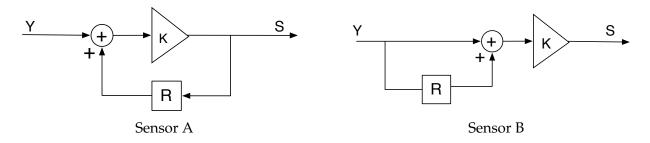
Use sm.Repeat and a very simple state machine that you define to create a new state machine MyNewSM, such that MyNewSM is equivalent to an instance of MySM.

## 3 Linear Systems (20 points)

In the following system, we will consider some different possible sensors.



We can buy sensor A or sensor B as shown in the diagrams below. For each of them we can also specify the gain k at the time we order it.



**A.** Just considering the sensor, not yet connected into the system, if we feed a **step function** (going from 0 to 1) into a sensor A with k = 0.5, what will the output value be (approximately) after 100 steps? Assume the system starts at rest.



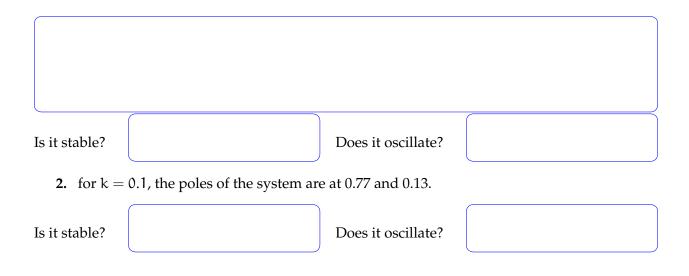
**B.** Just considering the sensor, not yet connected into the system, if we feed a **step function** (going from 0 to 1) into a sensor B with k = 0.8, what will the output value be (approximately) after 100 steps? Assume the system starts at rest.

**C.** If you plug sensor A into the overall system, what is the system function relating Y to X? (Leave k as a variable)

**D.** If we put a sensor of type B into the system, then the overall system function is

$$\frac{R}{kR^2-R+kR+1}$$

**1.** For k = 0.25, what are the poles of the system?

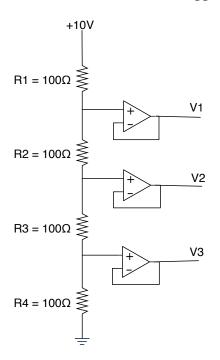


**3.** If you were buying a sensor of type B, which of these gains would give you faster response? Explain.

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## 4 Circuits (20 points)

**A.** Dana, Emerson, and Flann have a supply of +10 V and want to make buffered supplies of 2.5 V, 5.0 V and 7.5 V for use in their circuit, but they are having a disagreement about how to do it. Here is the circuit Dana suggests:

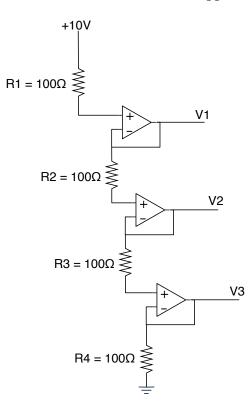


**1.** In Dana's circuit, what are the actual values of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$ ?



If they are incorrect, can you change the resistor values to make it work? If so, how?

Here is the circuit that Emerson suggests:

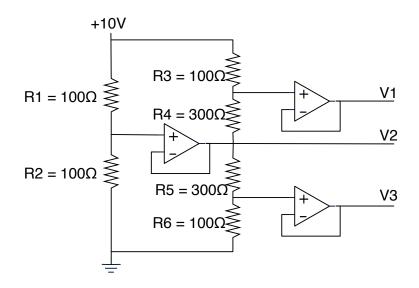


**2.** In Emerson's circuit, what are the actual values of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$ ?



If they are incorrect, can you change the resistor values to make it work? If so, how?

Here is the circuit that Flann suggests:

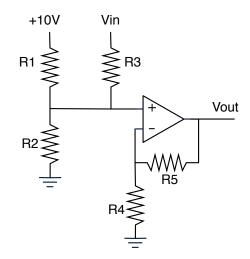


**3.** In Flann's circuit, what are the actual values of  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$ ?



If they are incorrect, can you change the resistor values to make it work? If so, how?

**B.** Consider the following circuit



1. Write a formula for V<sub>+</sub> (the voltage on the positive input to the op-amp) in terms of V<sub>in</sub> and the resistor values for this circuit:

2. Write a formula for  $V_{out}$  in terms of  $V_+$  and the resistor values for this circuit:

 $V_{\text{out}} =$ 

**3.** For each of these relationships, state whether it is possible to choose resistor values that make it hold in the circuit above. Write **Yes** or **No**; **it is not necessary to provide the resistor values.** 

a. 
$$V_{out} = 2.5 - \frac{3}{16}V_{in}$$
  
b.  $V_{out} = 2.5 + \frac{3}{16}V_{in}$   
c.  $V_{out} = -2.5 + \frac{3}{16}V_{in}$ 

## 5 State estimation (10 points)

We are interested in deciding whether the earth is in one of three states, in any given century: *warming* (*w*), *stable* (s), *cooling*(c).

**A.** We can do an experiment on an ice sample which gives one of two observations: *melting* (m), *not melting* (n).

Here are the observation probabilities for the experiment:

$$Pr(O = m | S = w) = 0.9$$
  

$$Pr(O = m | S = s) = 0.7$$
  

$$Pr(O = m | S = c) = 0.1$$

Assume our initial belief state is Pr(S = w) = 0.4, Pr(S = s) = 0.5, Pr(S = c) = 0.1.

**1.** What would our **belief state** be after doing the experiment and observing n?

**B.** Now, let's assume that the state of the planet is a Markov process whose transitions can be described, on the scale of centuries, as follows (of course, this is completely climatologically bogus):

|    |   | $S_{t+1}$ |     |     |
|----|---|-----------|-----|-----|
|    |   | w         | S   | с   |
|    | w | 0.7       | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| St | S | 0.4       | 0.2 | 0.4 |
|    | с | 0.0       | 0.3 | 0.7 |

- **1.** Circle the following sequences of states that are **possible**.
  - **a.** W, s, W, W, c, c, s, W
  - **b.** c, c, c, s, s, c, s, w
  - **c.** *w*, *s*, *c*, *w*, *s*, *c*, *s*, *w*
- **2.** If we were certain that climate was stable in some century t, and we didn't have any experimental evidence, what would our belief state about the state of the climate in century t + 2 be?

## 6 Search (20 points)

- **A.** We want to improve the search performance in the wolf-goat-cabbage problem (summarized below; it is the same as in the tutor problem).
  - The farmer has a goat, a wolf and a head of cabbage. They come to a river (they're on the left bank) and need to get everything and everyone to the other side (the right bank).
  - There's a boat there that fits at most two of them; the farmer must always be one of the two in the boat.
  - If the farmer leaves the goat alone with the cabbage, the goat will eat the cabbage (so that's not a legal state). Similarly, if the farmer leaves the goat alone with the wolf... (so that's not a legal state).

Let n(s) be the number of objects (wolf, goat, cabbage) that are on the incorrect side of the river in state s.

**1.** And rea suggests that a good heuristic would be n(s)-1. Is it admissible? Why or why not?

**2.** Bobbie suggests that a good heuristic would be 2n(s)-1. Is it admissible? Why or why not?

3. Casey suggests that a good heuristic would be 3n(s)-1. Is it admissible? Why or why not?

**4.** Which heuristic would be likely to reduce the search the most, while retaining optimality of the answer?

**B.** We need to travel over a network of roads through the mountains in the snow. Each road has a current condition: *clear, slippery,* or *buried*. There are two possible vehicles you can use: a sports car, which can only traverse clear roads or an SUV, which can traverse any road.

You start in the sports car (in location S), but if you are driving one vehicle, and you're in the same location as another vehicle, you can trade vehicles; if you drive your sports car to the location of the SUV (which starts in location A), and trade, then when you move, you will move with the SUV and the sports car will be left at that location.

We will specify the map using the data structure below, which characterizes, for each location, the roads leading out of it. Each road is described by a triple indicating the next location, the length of the road, and the condition of the road.

We are going to formulate this as a search problem with costs, to be solved using UC search. Let the cost to traverse a road just be the the length of the road times a multiplier: the multiplier is 1 for the sports car and 2 for the SUV. There is a cost of 1 for the action of swapping cars.

The possible actions are to drive on one of the roads emanating from a current location or to swap cars.

1. What information do you need to keep in each state? How will you represent it in Python?

2. How would you represent the starting state (as a Python expression)?

3. What would you pass in as the second argument to ucSearch.search, the goal test, if the goal is to end in location 'D'?

Write Python expression(s)

4. Let the actions be described by (action, roadNum), where action is one of 'drive' or 'swapCars', and roadNum is an integer that means which road to drive on out of an intersection. The roadnum can be used as an index into the list of results in map1dist. When action is 'swapCars', then the roadNum is ignored.

If drivingDynamics is an instance of sm.SM that describes this planning domain, using your state representation, what would the output of this expression be:

>>> drivingDynamics.transduce([('drive', 0), ('swapCars', 0), ('drive', 1)])

Write a list of states.

**5.** From that same start state, what path through state space would be found by breadth-first search, when the goal is to be in location 'D'? Provide a list of states.

**6.** From that same start state, what path through state space would be found by uniform-cost search? Provide a list of states.

What is its cost?

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