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Substitution, Recursion Problems

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1. Substitution

Consider the example below. Notice that x is used in multiple places. When do we substitute for x and when don't we?

(define x-y*y (lambda (x y) (- x ((lambda (x) (* x x)) y))))

Use the substitution model to evaluate the following expression, and write each substitution step.

(x-y*y 11 3)

Value: _____

2. Recursion

2.1. a. Implement addition as a recursive procedure that employs repeated successor. In Scheme, this is the inc function, which increases its argument by 1; dec decreases its argument by 1. (Hint: check for base case, then recursive case.)

(define (add x y)

b. Write the first 4 substitution steps for (add 3 2)

2.2. Implement subtraction as a recursive procedure that employs the dec function, which decreases its argument by 1.

(define (sub x y)

2.3 Implement exponentiation through repeated multiplication.

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(define (expt x n)
<your code will go here>
)
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a. recursive algorithm

b. iterative algorithm (Hint: Define a helper function.)