

## Scheme's Equality Operators:

(= a b) compares numbers and is unreliable for other comparisons.

(equal? a b) compares structures:

(equal? '(2 3) (cdr '(1 2 3))) => #t

but (equal? 4 (+ 2 2)) => #f

eq? and eqv? compare memory locations rather than structures.

(eql? a b) and (eqv? a b) both return #t if a and b are lists stored at the same location.

If a and b are numbers

(eqv? a b) => (= a b)

(eql? a b) is implementation-dependent.

`(eqv? (/ 10 3) (/ 20 6)) => #t`, since `eqv?` is the same as `=` for numbers.

`(eq? (/10 3) (/ 20 6)) => #f` on our system.

Moral:

- Use `=` for numeric comparisons
- Use `equal?` if you want to know if two lists are structurally identical.
- Use `eqv?` if you want to know if two lists are stored at the same location.

What does this function do?

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((define a (lambda (v1 v2)
  (cond
    [(null? v1) v2]
    [else (cons (car v1) (a (cdr v1) v2))])))
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Examples on flat lists:

lat = list of atoms

(nth n lat) returns the nth element of lat

(remember a lat) removes the first occurrence of a from lat

(remember-all a lat) removes every occurrence of a from lat

(remember-2 a lat) removes the second occurrence of a from lat

(index a lat) returns the 0-based index of a in lat, or -1 if a is not in lat.

(remove-numbers lat) removes all of the numbers from lat