

Lisp Introduction

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What is Lisp?

Definition: Lisp

A family of programming languages that are based on s-expressions.

Major Lisp Dialects

Scheme

- ▶ IEEE Standard
- ▶ Simple and clean

Common Lisp

- ▶ ANSI Standard
- ▶ Featureful
- ▶ Good compilers
- ▶ Efficient C interop.

Clojure

- ▶ JVM-based
- ▶ Good Java interop.
- ▶ CLR and Javascript also
- ▶ Concurrency features

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Booleans and Equality

“Math”	Lisp	Notes
False	<code>nil</code>	equivalent to the empty list <code>()</code>
True	<code>t</code>	or any non- <code>nil</code> value
$\neg a$	<code>(not a)</code>	
$a = b$	<code>(= a b)</code>	numerical comparison
$a = b$	<code>(eq a b)</code>	same object
$a = b$	<code>(eql a b)</code>	same object, same number and type, or same character
$a = b$	<code>(equal a b)</code>	<code>eql</code> objects, or lists/arrays with equal elements
$a = b$	<code>(equalp a b)</code>	<code>=</code> numbers, or same character (case-insensitive), or recursively- <code>equalp</code> cons cells, arrays, structures, hash tables
$a \neq b$	<code>(not (= a b))</code>	similarly for other equality functions

Example: Lisp Equality Operators

- ▶ `(= 1 1)` \rightsquigarrow `t`
- ▶ `(eq 1 1)` \rightsquigarrow `t`
- ▶ `(= 1 1.0)` \rightsquigarrow `t`
integer float
- ▶ `(eq 1 1.0)` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
integer float
- ▶ `(eql 1 1.0)` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
integer float
- ▶ `(equal 1 1.0)` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
integer float
- ▶ `(equalp 1 1.0)` \rightsquigarrow `t`
integer float

- ▶ `(= "a" "a")` \rightsquigarrow **error**
- ▶ `(eq "a" "a")` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
- ▶ `(eql "a" "a")` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
- ▶ `(equal "a" "a")` \rightsquigarrow `t`
- ▶ `(equal "a" "A")` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
- ▶ `(equalp "a" "A")` \rightsquigarrow `t`
- ▶ `(not t)` \rightsquigarrow `nil`
- ▶ `(not nil)` \rightsquigarrow `t`
- ▶ `(not "a")` \rightsquigarrow `nil`

Exercise: Lisp Equality Operators

- ▶ `(not 0)` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(not 1)` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(eq t (not nil))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(eq t 1)` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(eq nil (not 1))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(eq nil (not "a"))` \rightsquigarrow

- ▶ `(eq (list "a" "b") (list "a" "b"))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(equal (list "a" "b") (list "a" "b"))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(eq (list "a" "b") (list "a" "B"))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(equal (list "a" "b") (list "a" "B"))` \rightsquigarrow
- ▶ `(equalp (list "a" "b") (list "a" "B"))` \rightsquigarrow

Inequality

“Math”	Lisp
$a < b$	(< a b)
$a \leq b$	(<= a b)
$a > b$	(> a b)
$a \geq b$	(>= a b)

Function Definition

Procedure increment(n)

1 **return** $n + 1$;

function name function arguments

(**defun** increment (n)

 ($+ n 1$))

 result

Exercise: Function Definition

$$\text{sinc } \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta}$$

Pseudocode

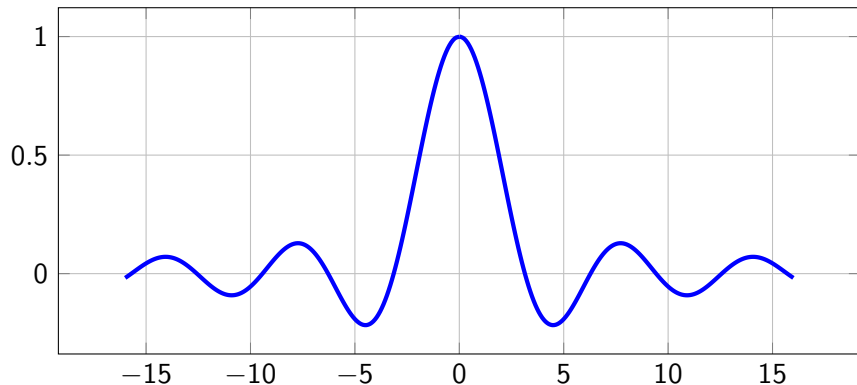
Procedure $\text{sinc}(\theta)$

1 **return** $\sin(\theta)/\theta$;

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Limit of $\text{sinc } \theta$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} \xrightarrow{\text{l'Hôpital's rule}} \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{d}{d\theta} \sin \theta}{\frac{d}{d\theta} \theta} \rightsquigarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\cos \theta}{1} \rightsquigarrow 1$$



Conditional

IF

Procedure even?(n)

```

1 if 0 = mod(n, 2) then
2   | return true;
3 else
4   | return false;

```

```

(defun even? (n)
  (if (test
      (= 0 (mod n 2)))
      then clause
      (t
        nil
        else clause
        )))

```

Exercise: Conditionals

IF

$$\text{sinc}(\theta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta = 0 \\ \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} & \text{if } \theta \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Pseudocode

Procedure $\text{sinc}(\theta)$

```

1 if 0 =  $\theta$  then
2   | return 1;
3 else
4   | return  $\sin(\theta)/\theta$ ;

```

Common Lisp

Taylor Series

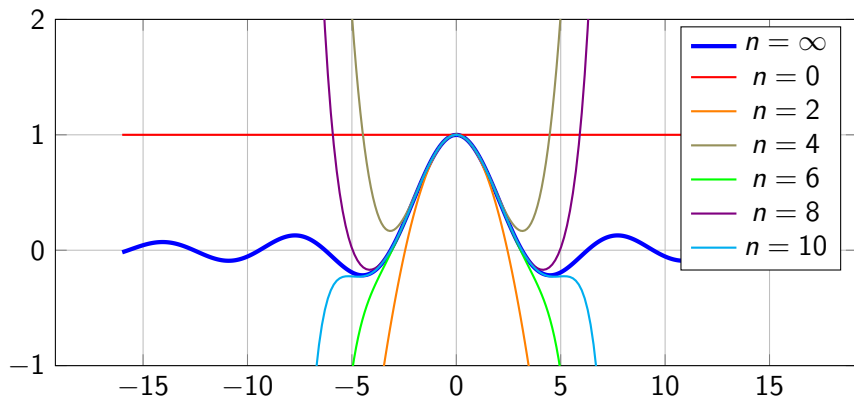
Represent function $f(x)$ as infinite sum of derivatives around point a :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(a) + \frac{f'(a)}{1!}(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n \right) \end{aligned}$$

Polynomial approximation of functions

Sinc Taylor Series

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{6} + \frac{\theta^4}{120} - \frac{\theta^6}{5040} + \frac{\theta^8}{362880} - \frac{\theta^{10}}{39916800} + \dots$$



Conditional

COND

Procedure `sign(n)`

```

1 if  $n > 0$  then
2   | return 1;
3 else if  $n < 0$  then
4   | return -1;
5 else
6   | return 0;

```

```

(defun sign (n)
  (cond (( $\overbrace{(> \text{ } n \text{ } 0)}^{\text{test}}$   $\overbrace{1}^{\text{result}}$ )
        (( $\overbrace{(< \text{ } n \text{ } 0)}^{\text{test}}$   $\overbrace{-1}^{\text{result}}$ )
        ( $\overbrace{\text{t}}^{\text{test}}$   $\overbrace{0}^{\text{result}}$ )))

```

Exercise: Conditionals

COND

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{6} + \frac{\theta^4}{120} + \dots$$

Pseudocode

Procedure sinc(θ)

- 1 **if** $0 = \theta$ **then** **return** 1 ;
 - 2 **else if** $\theta^2 < .00001$ **then**
 - 3 **return** $1 - \theta^2/6 + \theta^4/120$;
 - 4 **else** **return** $\sin(\theta)/\theta$;
-

Common Lisp

Example: Factorial

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n * (n - 1)! & \text{if } n \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Pseudocode

Procedure factorial(x)

```

1 if 0 = x then
2   | return 1;
3 else
4   | return x * factorial(x - 1);

```

Common Lisp

```

(defun factorial (n)
  (if (= n 0)
      1
      (* n (factorial (- n 1)))))

```

Exercise: Fibonacci Sequence

(1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, 55, ...)

$$\text{fib}(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2) & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Exercise: Fibonacci Sequence

continued

Pseudocode

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Numerical Integration

Runge-Kutta Methods

Given:

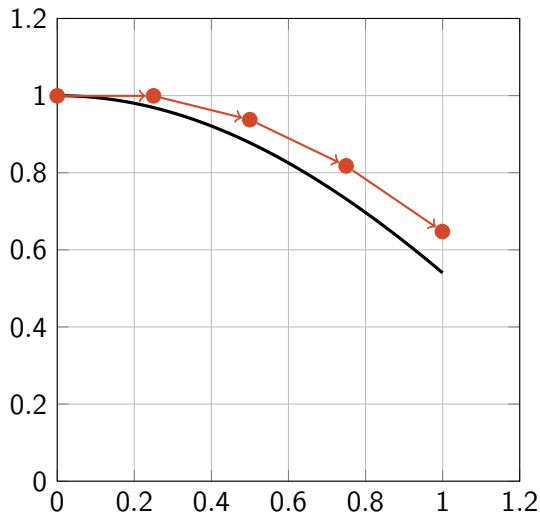
- ▶ Derivative: $\frac{d}{dt}x(t) = f(x, t)$
- ▶ Initial time: t_0
- ▶ Final time: t_n
- ▶ Initial value: $x(t_0)$

Find: $x(t_n)$

Solution: Follow derivative along discrete time intervals Δt from t_0 to t_n

Example: Runge-Kutta 1 (Euler's Method)

$$x_{i+1} \approx x_i + \Delta t * f(x_i, t_i)$$



Example: Runge-Kutta 1 (Euler's Method)

continued

$$x_{i+1} \approx x_i + \Delta t * f(x_i, t_i)$$

Procedure euler-step(dx, dt, x_0)

1 **return** $x_0 + dx * dt$;

```
(defun euler-step (dx dt x0)
  (+ x0
     (* dx dt)))
```

Example: Runge-Kutta 2 (Midpoint Method)

$$x_{i+1} \approx x_i + \Delta t * \overbrace{f\left(x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} f(x_i, t_i), t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)}^{\approx \dot{x}(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2})}$$

Procedure rk2-mid(*f*, *t*₀, *x*₀, *dt*)

```

1 function ks(c, k) is
2   x ← euler-step(k, c * dt, x0);
3   return f(x, t + c * dt);
4 k0 ← f(x0, t0);
5 k1 ← ks(1/2, k0);
6 return x0 + dt * k1;

```

```

(defun rk2-mid-step (f t0 x0 dt)
  (labels ((ks (c k)
            (funcall
             f
             (euler-step k (* c dt) x0)
             (+ t0 (* c dt))))))
    (let* ((k0 (funcall f x0 t0))
            (k1 (ks (/ 1 2) k0)))
      (+ x0 (* dt k1))))

```

Exercise: Runge-Kutta 2 (Heun's Method)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{i+1} &\approx x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} * \overbrace{f(x_i, t_i)}^{\dot{x}(t_i)} + \frac{\Delta t}{2} * \overbrace{f(x_i + (\Delta t)f(x_i, t_i), t + \Delta t)}^{\approx \dot{x}(t + \Delta t)} \\
 &\approx x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} k_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2} k_1
 \end{aligned}$$

Exercise: Runge-Kutta 2 (Heun's Method)

continued

Procedure `rk2-heun(f, t_0, x_0, dt)`

```
1 function ks( $c, k$ ) is  
2    $x \leftarrow \text{euler-step}(k, c * dt, x_0);$   
3   return  $f(x, t + c * dt);$   
4  $k_0 \leftarrow f(x_0, t_0);$   
5  $k_1 \leftarrow ks(1, k_0);$   
6 return  $x_0 + dt/2 * (k_0 + k_1);$ 
```

Exercise: Runge-Kutta 4

$$x_{i+1} \approx x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{6} \overbrace{k_0}^{\dot{x}(t_i)} + \frac{\Delta t}{3} \overbrace{k_1}^{\approx \dot{x}(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2})} + \frac{\Delta t}{3} \overbrace{k_2}^{\approx \dot{x}(t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2})} + \frac{\Delta t}{6} \overbrace{k_3}^{\approx \dot{x}(t_i + \Delta t)}$$

where:

- ▶ $k_0 = f(x_i, t_i)$ (start)
- ▶ $k_1 = f(x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} k_0, t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2})$ (midpoint)
- ▶ $k_2 = f(x_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2} k_1, t_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2})$ (midpoint)
- ▶ $k_3 = f(x_i + (\Delta t) k_2, t_i + \Delta t)$ (end)

Exercise: Runge-Kutta 4

continued

Euler Integration

Procedure `int-euler(f, t_0, t_n, dt, x_0)`

```

1 if  $t_0 \geq t_n$  then // Base Case
2   | return  $x_0$ ;
3 else // Recursive Case
4   |  $dx \leftarrow f(x_0, t_0)$ ;
5   |  $x \leftarrow \text{euler-step}(dx, dt, x_0)$ ;
6   | return int-euler( $f, t_0 + dt, t_n, dt, x$ );

```

```

(defun int-euler (f t0 t1 dt x0)
  (if (>= t0 t1)
      x0
      (let* ((dx (funcall f x0 t0))
              (x (euler-step dx
                              dt
                              x0)))
        (int-euler f (+ t0 dt)
                    t1 dt x))))

```

RK-2 Integration

Procedure `int-rk2(f, t_0, t_n, dt, x_0)`

```

1 if  $t_0 \geq t_n$  then // Base Case
2   | return  $x_0$ ;
3 else // Recursive Case
4   |  $x \leftarrow \text{rk2-heun}(f, t_0, x_0, dt)$ ;
5   | return int-rk2( $f, t_0 + dt, t_n, dt, x$ );

```

```

(defun int-rk2 (f t0 t1 dt x0)
  (if (>= t0 t1)
      x0
      (int-rk2 f (+ t0 dt) t1 dt
                (rk2-heun f t0 x0
                          dt))))

```


Multi-method RK Integration

Procedure $\text{integrate}(s, f, t_0, t_n, dt, x_0)$

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Data Types

Definition: Data type

A classification of data/objects based on how the data/object is intended to or able to be use.

The set of values a variable may take.

Examples

- ▶ `int`
- ▶ `float`
- ▶ `List`
- ▶ `String`
- ▶ `Structures:`
 - ▶ `int × string`
 - ▶ `float4`



Data Type Systems

- ▶ Type Checking

 - Static: Check types at compile time (statically)

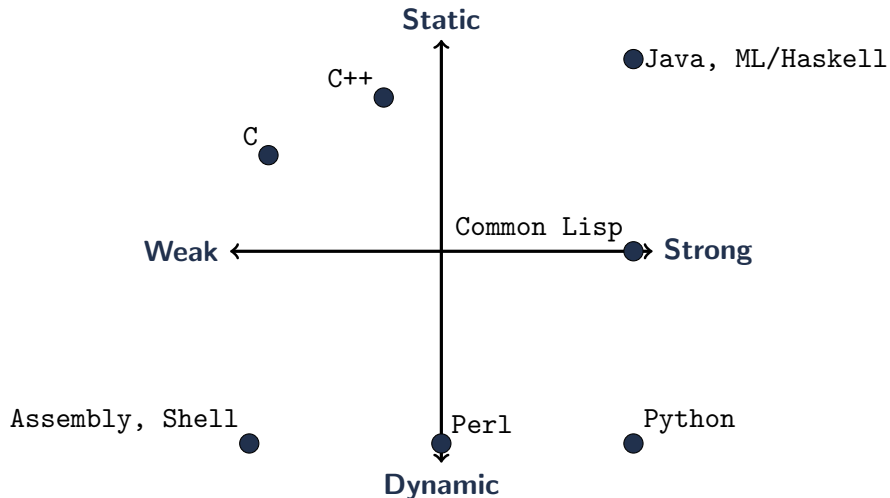
 - Dynamic: Check types at run time (dynamically)

- ▶ Type Enforcement

 - Strong: Object types are strictly enforced

 - Weak: Objects can be treated as different types (casting, “type punning”)

Comparison of Language Type Systems



Machine Words – Representing Data

word

[illegible]

unsigned

42 \rightsquigarrow 0x2a

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0					
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signed

-42 \rightsquigarrow 0xffffffffd6

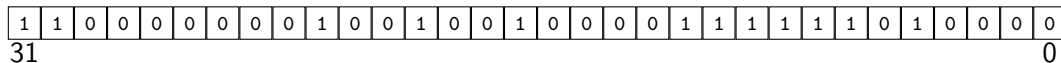
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
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float

$$42. = 1.3125 * 2^5 \rightsquigarrow 0x42280000$$
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Words and Types

word



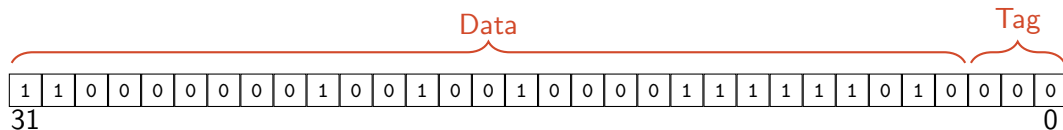
0xc0490fd0 \rightsquigarrow [?] -1068953648 (signed)

0xc0490fd0 \rightsquigarrow [?] 3226013648 (unsigned)

0xc0490fd0 \rightsquigarrow [?] -3.141590 (float)

0xc0490fd0 \rightsquigarrow [?] valid pointer

Type Tags



SBCL Tags (32-bit)

Type	Tag
Even Fixnum	000b
Odd Fixnum	100b
Instance Pointer	001b
List Pointer	011b
Function Pointer	101b

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{data} & \text{tag} & \\
 \underbrace{0x180921FA}_{\text{data}} \times \underbrace{000b}_{\text{tag}} & \xrightarrow{\text{even fixnum}} & (0x180921FA \gg 2) \\
 & & \rightsquigarrow 806503412
 \end{array}$$

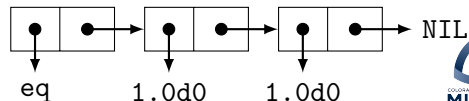
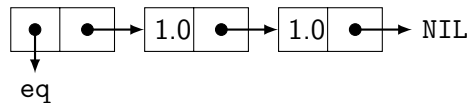
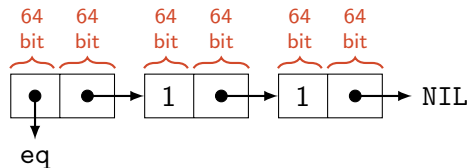
Example: Tagged Storage

64-bit SBCL:

Fixnum: (eq 1 1) \rightsquigarrow t

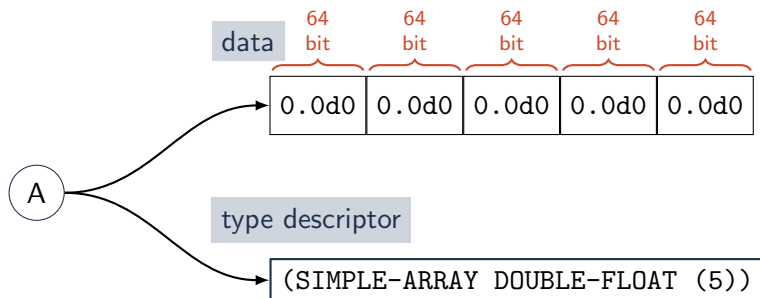
Single Float: (eq 1.0s0 1.0s0) \rightsquigarrow t

Double Float: (eq 1.0d0 1.0d0) \rightsquigarrow nil



Example: SBCL Arrays

```
(let ((a (make-array 5
                    :element-type 'double-float)))
    ;; ....
)
```



Manual Memory Management

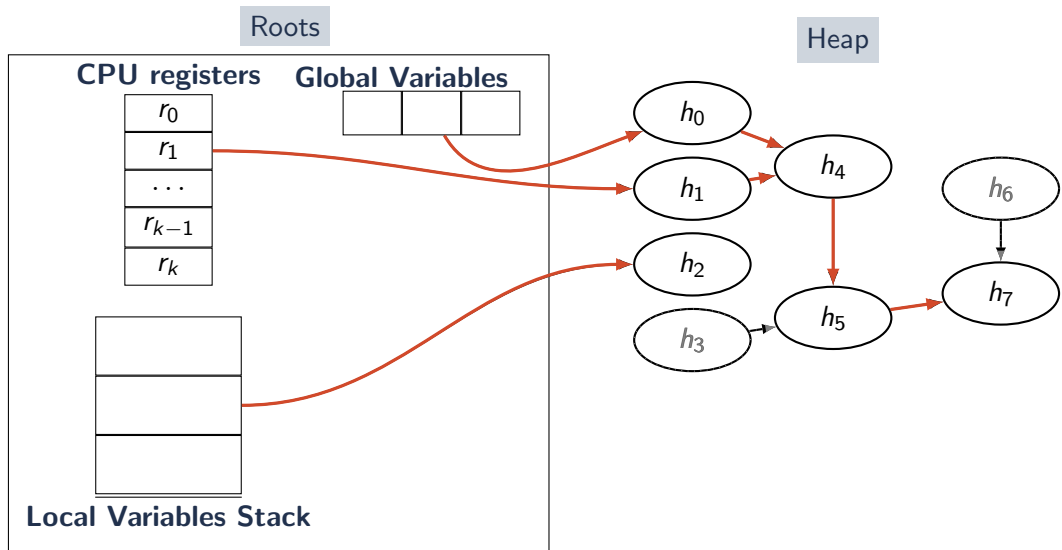
`malloc(n)`

1. Find a free block of at least n bytes
2. If no such block, get more memory from the OS
3. Return pointer to the block

`free(ptr)`

1. Add block back to the free list(s)

Garbage Collection



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Functional Programming Features

- ▶ Functions are first class object
- ▶ Prefer immutable state
- ▶ Garbage collection

Closure

Definition (Closure)

A function and an associated set of variable definitions. From “closed expression.”

C Function Pointer

```
/* Definition */
struct context {
    int val;
};

int adder(struct context *cx, int x) {
    return cx->a + x;
}

/* Usage */
struct context c;
c.val = 1;
int y = adder(c, 2);
```

Java Class

```
// Definition
class Adder {
    public int a;
    public Adder(int a_) {
        a = a_;
    }
    public int call(int x) {
        return x+a;
    }
}

// Usage
Adder A = new Adder(1);
int y = A.call(2);
```

Closure in Lisp

Local Function

```
(let ((a 1))  
  (labels ((adder (x)  
             (+ x a)))  
    (adder 2)))
```

Lambda Expression

```
(let ((a 1))  
  (funcall (lambda (x)  
             (+ x a))  
            2))
```


Example: Recursion

Iterative

Function accumulate(S)

```

1  $a \leftarrow 0$ ;
2  $i \leftarrow 0$ ;
3 while  $i < |S|$  do
4    $a \leftarrow a + S_i$ ;
5 return  $a$ ;

```

Recursive

Function accumulate(S)

```

1 if  $S$  then // Recursive Case
2   | return  $\text{car}(S) + \text{accumulate}(\text{cdr}(S))$ ;
3 else // Base Case
4   | return 0;

```

Example: Recursive Accumulate in Lisp

Recursive Implementation of Accumulate

```
(defun accumulate (list)
  (if list
      ;; recursive case
      (+ (car list)
         (accumulate (cdr list)))
      ;; base case
      0))
```

Example: Recursive Accumulate Execution Trace

Recursive Implementation of Accumulate

```
(defun accumulate (list)
  (if list
    ;; recursive case
    (+ (car list)
      (accumulate (cdr list)))
    ;; base case
    0))
```

```
(accumulate '(1 2 3))
  ↓
(+ 1 (accumulate '(2 3)))
  ↓
(+ 1 (+ 2 (accumulate '(3))))
  ↓
(+ 1 (+ 2 (+ 3 (accumulate nil))))
  ↓
(+ 1 (+ 2 (+ 3 0)))
```

Exercise: Recursive Reverse

$$(a_0 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_{n-1} \ a_n) \xrightarrow{\text{reverse}} (a_n \ a_{n-1} \ \dots \ a_1 \ a_0)$$

Procedure reverse(L)

Map

Definition (map)

Apply a function to every member of a sequence.

$$\text{map} : \underbrace{(\mathbb{D} \mapsto \mathbb{R})}_{\text{function}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{D}^n}_{\text{sequence}} \mapsto \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^n}_{\text{result}}$$

Function Application

$$(f(s_1), f(s_2), \dots, f(s_n))$$

Map Pseudocode

Procedural

Function `map(f,S)`

```

1 foreach  $s_i \in S$  do
2    $r_i \leftarrow f(s_i);$ 
3 return  $r;$ 

```

Recursive

Function `map(f,S)`

```

1 if  $S$  then // Recursive Case
2    $a \leftarrow f(\text{car}(S));$ 
3    $b \leftarrow \text{map}(f, \text{cdr}(S));$ 
4   return  $\text{cons}(a, b)$ 
5 else // Base Case
6   return  $();$ 

```

Map in Lisp

Map in Lisp

```
(map 'list  
    (lambda (x) (+ 1 x))  
    (list 1 2 3))  
;; RESULT: (2 3 4)
```

; result type
; function
; sequence

Example: A Map Implementation

Example Implementation of Map

```
(defun mymap (function list)
  (labels ((helper (list)
            (if list
                ;; Recursive Case:
                (cons (funcall function (car list))
                      (helper (cdr list)))
                ;; Base Case:
                nil))))
  (helper list)))
```

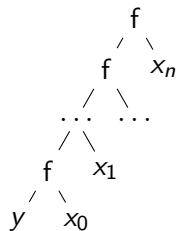

Fold-left

Definition (fold-left)

Apply a binary function to every member of a sequence and the result of the previous call, starting from the left-most (initial) element.

$$\text{fold-left} : \underbrace{(\mathbb{Y} \times \mathbb{X} \mapsto \mathbb{Y})}_{\text{function}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{Y}}_{\text{init.}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{X}^n}_{\text{sequence}} \mapsto \underbrace{\mathbb{Y}}_{\text{result}}$$

Function Application



Fold-left Pseudocode

Procedural

Function fold-left(f, y, X)

```

1  $i \leftarrow 0$ ;
2 while  $i < |X|$  do
3    $y \leftarrow f(y, X_i)$  ;
4 return  $y$ ;
```

Recursive

Function fold-left(f, y, X)

```

1 if  $X$  then // Recursive Case
2    $y' \leftarrow f(y, \text{car}(X))$ ;
3   return fold-left( $f, y', \text{cdr}(X)$ );
4 else // Base Case
5   return  $y$ ;
```

Fold-left in Lisp

Fold-Left in Lisp

```
(reduce #'(1 2 3) :initial-value 0)
; function
; sequence
;;; Result 6
```

Exercise: Fold-Left Reverse

$$(a_0 \ a_1 \ \dots \ a_{n-1} \ a_n) \xrightarrow{\text{reverse}} (a_n \ a_{n-1} \ \dots \ a_1 \ a_0)$$

Procedure reverse(L)

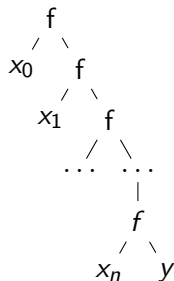
Fold-right

Definition (fold-right)

Apply a binary function to every member of a sequence and the result of the previous call, starting from the right-most (final) element.

$$\text{fold-right} : \underbrace{(\mathbb{X} \times \mathbb{Y} \mapsto \mathbb{Y})}_{\text{function}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{Y}}_{\text{init.}} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{X}^n}_{\text{sequence}} \mapsto \underbrace{\mathbb{Y}}_{\text{result}}$$

Function Application



Fold-right Pseudocode

Procedural

Function fold-right(f,y,X)

```

1  $i \leftarrow |X| - 1;$ 
2 while  $i \geq 0$  do
3    $y \leftarrow f(X_i, y);$ 
4 return  $y;$ 

```

Recursive

Function fold-right(f,y,X)

```

1 if  $X$  then // Recursive Case
2    $y' \leftarrow \text{fold-right}(f, y, \text{cdr}(X));$ 
3   return  $f(\text{car}(X), y');$ 
4 else // Base Case
5   return  $y;$ 

```

Fold-right in Lisp

Fold-Right in Lisp

```
(reduce #'-                                ; function  
      '(2 3)                             ; sequence  
      :initial-value 1  
      :from-end t)  
;;; Result 0
```

MapReduce

- ▶ (parallel) map
- ▶ (serial) reduce/fold
- ▶ Provides scalability, fault-tolerance
- ▶ Implementations
 - ▶ Google MapReduce
 - ▶ Apache Hadoop

Function MapReduce(f, g, X)

```
1  $Y \leftarrow \text{parallel-map}(f, X);$   
2 return reduce( $g, Y$ );
```

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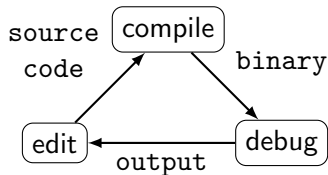
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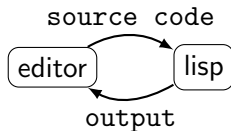
C Programming



Lisp Programming

edit, compile, debug

Lisp on unix



Demo

- ▶ SLIME, pstree
- ▶ Read-Eval-Print-Loop (REPL)
- ▶ DEFUN
- ▶ DISASSEMBLE
- ▶ Re-DEFUN

SLIME Basics

- ▶ C: control
- ▶ M: Meta / Alt
- ▶ Frequently used:
 - C-c C-k Compile and load file
 - C-x C-e Evaluate expression before the point
 - C-M-x Evaluate defun surround the point
- ▶ See SLIME drop-down in menu bar for more
- ▶ <https://common-lisp.net/project/slime/doc/html/>



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L'Hôpital's Rule

Evaluate limits using derivatives when $\frac{f(a)}{g(a)} \rightsquigarrow \frac{0}{0}$ (similarly for ∞):

$$\left(\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} f(x) = 0 \right) \wedge \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} g(x) = 0 \right) \right) \implies \left(\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \right)$$

LET

- Creates a new scope and variable bindings

Example: LET

C Block Scope

C

```
{  
    int a = 1;  
    int b = 1;  
    printf("(%d %d)\n",  
           a, b);  
}
```

Lisp

```
(let ((a 1)  
      (b 2))  
  (print (list a b)))
```

Output

(1 2)

Example: LET

Scope Nesting

C

```
{  
    int a = 1;  
    printf("%d\n", a);  
    {  
        int a = 2;  
        printf("%d\n", a);  
    }  
    printf("%d\n", a);  
}
```

Lisp

```
(let ((a 1))  
  (print a)  
  (let ((a 2))  
    (print a))  
  (print a))
```

Output

```
1  
2  
1
```

Example: LET

“Parallel” assignments

Lisp

```
(let ((a 1)
      (b 2))
  (let ((a 3)
      (b a))
    (print (list a b))))
```

Output

(3 1)

Example: LET*

“Consecutive” assignments

Lisp

```
(let ((a 1)
      (b 2))
  (let* ((a 3)
         (b a))
    (print (list a b))))
```

Output

(3 3)

DOTIMES

- Iterate a for n steps

Example: DOTIMES

C

```
for( int i = 0; i < 5; i ++ ) {  
    printf("%d", i);  
}
```

Lisp

```
(dotimes (i 5)  
  (print i))
```

Output

0
1
2
3
4

DOLIST

- Iterate over a list

Example: DOLIST

Lisp

```
(dolist (x '(a b c))  
  (print x))
```

Output

A
B
C

Example: LOOP counting

Lisp

```
(loop for i below 5  
      do (print i))
```

Output

0
1
2
3
4

Example: LOOP

list iteration

Lisp

```
(loop for x in '(a b c)  
      do (print x))
```

Output

A
B
C

Example: LOOP

collecting

Lisp

```
(let ((x (loop for i below 5
                when (evenp i)
                collect i)))
  (print x))
```

Output

(0 2 4)

Example: REDUCE

collecting

Lisp

```
(let ((x (reduce (lambda (a x)
                  (if (evenp x)
                      (cons x a)
                      a)))
      '(4 3 2 1 0)
      :initial-value nil)))

(print x))
```

Output

(0 2 4)

Case

- ▶ Control structure
- ▶ Selects clause that matches the test argument

Example: CASE

C

```
switch( 'B' ) {  
  case 'A':  
    puts( "Got_A" );  
    break;  
  case 'B':  
    puts( "Got_B" );  
    break;  
  case 'C':  
    puts( "Got_C" );  
    break;  
}
```

Dantam (Mines CSCI, RPM)

Lisp

```
(case 'b  
  (a (print "Got_A" ))  
  (b (print "Got_B" ))  
  (c (print "Got_C" ))
```

Lisp

Output

Got B

Example: S-Expression to XML

Lisp

```
(labels ((visit (e i)
  (if (listp e)
      (progn
        ;; opening tag
        (format t "~&<~A>" (car e) )
        ;; Recurse on arguments
        (dolist (e (cdr e))
          (visit e (+ i 2)))
        ;; Closing tag
        (format t "~&</~A>" (car e)))
      ;; Else, print the element
      (format t "~&~A" e))))
(visit '(and x (or y z)) 0))
```

Output

```
<AND>
X
<OR>
Y
Z
</OR>
</AND>
```

Example: S-Expression to XML w/ indentation

Lisp

```
(labels ((visit (e i)
  (let ((indent (make-string i
                             :initial-element #\Space)))
    (if (listp e)
        (progn
          ;; opening tag
          (format t "~&~A<~A>" indent (car e) )
          ;; Recurse on arguments
          (dolist (e (cdr e))
            (visit e (+ i 2)))
          ;; Closing tag
          (format t "~&~A</~A>" indent (car e)))
        ;; Else, print the element
        (format t "~&~A~A" indent e))))
  (visit '(and x (or y z)) 0))
```

Output

```
<AND>
  X
  <OR>
    Y
    Z
  </OR>
</AND>
```