

# Symbolic Reasoning

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# Outline

## Rewrite Systems

## Expressions

## Reductions

Evaluation as Reduction

Partial Evaluation

Differentiation

## Notation and Programming

# Rewrite Systems

## Expressions

- ▶ Arithmetic:
  - ▶  $a_0x + a_1x^2 + a_3x^3$
  - ▶  $3x + 1 = 10$
- ▶ Propositional Logic:
  - ▶  $(p_1 \vee p_2) \wedge p_3$
  - ▶  $(p_1 \wedge p_2) \implies p_3$
- ▶ etc.

## Reductions

- ▶ Distributive Properties:
  - ▶  $\left( x * (y + z) \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( xy + xz \right)$
  - ▶  $\left( \alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma) \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( (\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma) \right)$
- ▶ De Morgan's Laws:
  - ▶  $\left( \neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( (\neg\alpha \vee \neg\beta) \right)$
  - ▶  $\left( \neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \right) \rightsquigarrow \left( (\neg\alpha \wedge \neg\beta) \right)$
- ▶ etc.

*Progressively apply reductions until reaching desired expression.*

# Example: Algebra

Given:  $3x + 1 = 10$

Find:  $x$

Solution:

Initial	$3x + 1 = 10$
$-1$	$3x + 1 - 1 = 10 - 1$
Simplify	$3x = 9$
$/3$	$3x/3 = 9/3$
Simplify	$x = 3$

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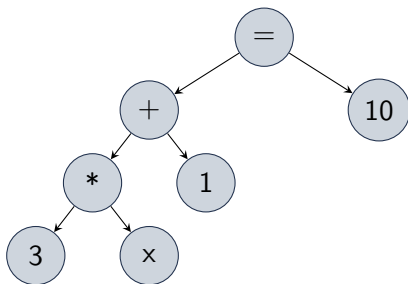
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# S-Expression

$$3x + 1 = 10$$

## Abstract Syntax Tree



## S-expression

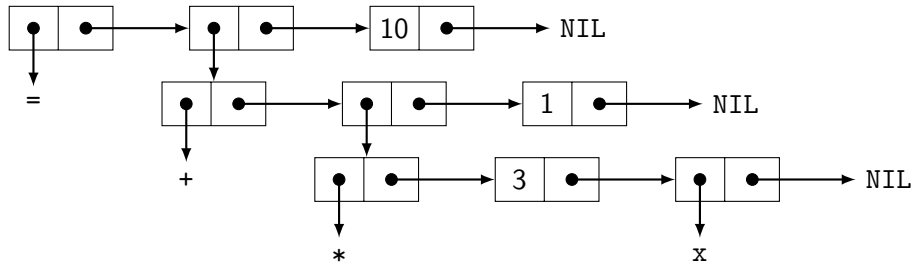
$$(\text{= } (+ \text{ (} * \text{ 3 x) 1) 10})$$

$$(\text{= } (+ \text{ (* 3 x) 1) 10})$$

# Cell Diagram

$$3x + 1 = 10$$

(= (+ (\* 3 x)  
1)  
10)



# List vs. Tree

## List

```
struct cons {  
    void *first;  
    struct cons *rest;  
};
```

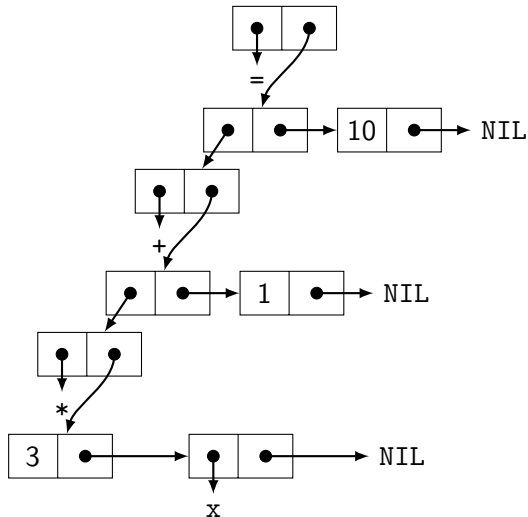
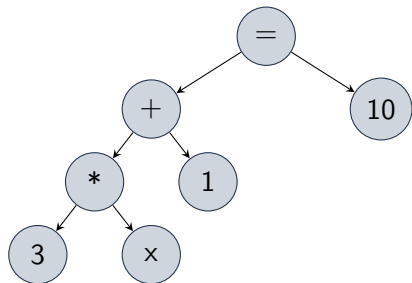
## Tree

```
struct treenode {  
    void *first;  
    struct cons *children;  
};  
  
struct cons {  
    void *first;  
    struct cons *rest;  
};
```



# Data Structure, Redux

$$3x + 1 = 10$$



## Exercise 1: S-Expression

$$2(x+1) = 4$$

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## Exercise 2: S-Expression

$$a + bx + cx^2$$

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## Example 2: S-Expression

$a + bx + cx^2$  – continued

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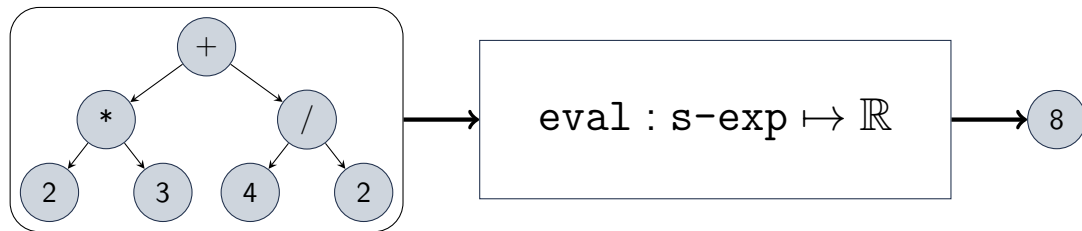
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## Rewrites



# Evaluation Function



# Recursive Evaluation Algorithm

Base Case: If argument is a value: return the value

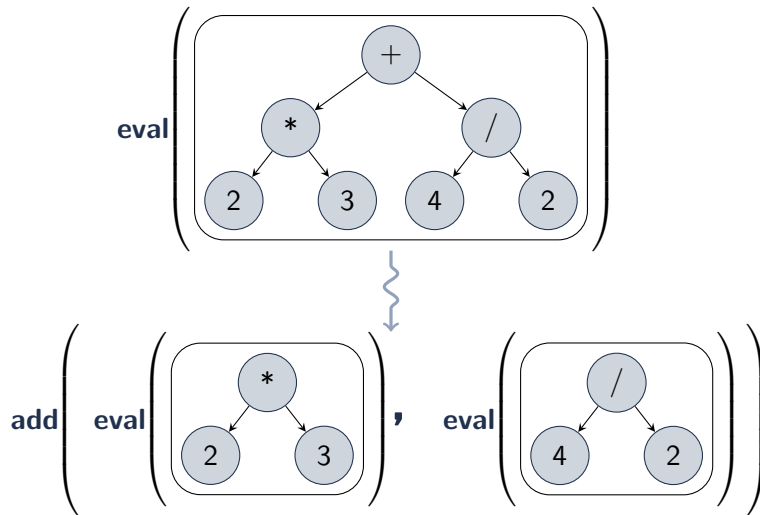
Recursive Case: Else (argument is an expression):

1. Recurse on arguments
2. Apply operator to results



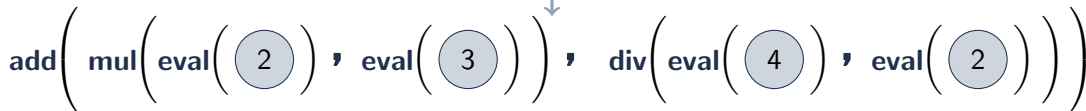
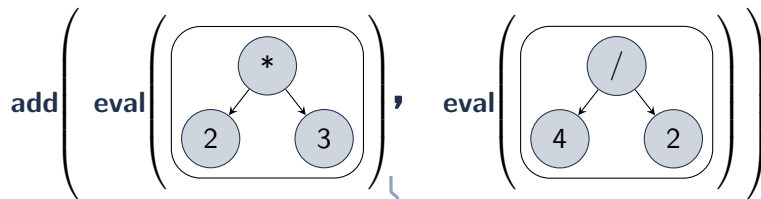
# Example: Evaluation

$$2*3 + 4/2$$



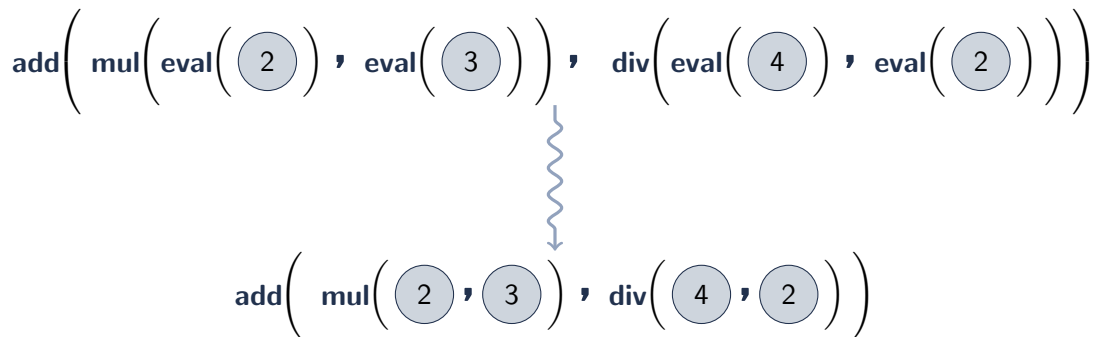
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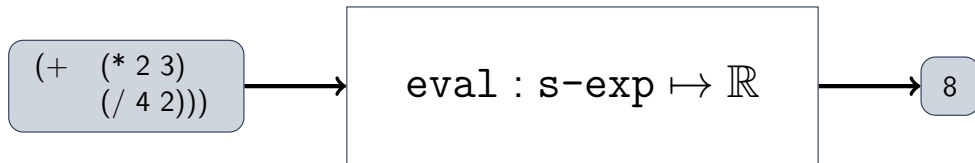
$$\text{add}\left(\text{mul}\left(\textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}\right), \text{div}\left(\textcircled{4}, \textcircled{2}\right)\right)$$


$$\text{add}\left(\textcircled{6}, \textcircled{2}\right)$$


$$\textcircled{8}$$

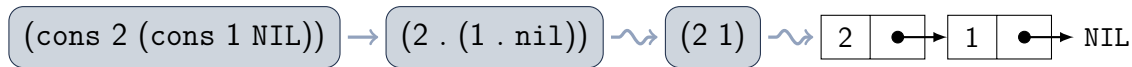
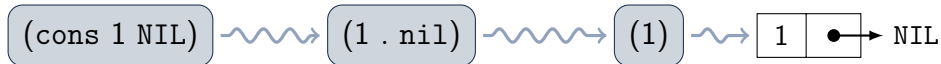
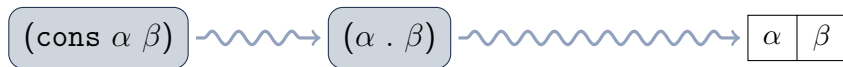
# Evaluation via S-Expressions

$2*3 + 4/2$

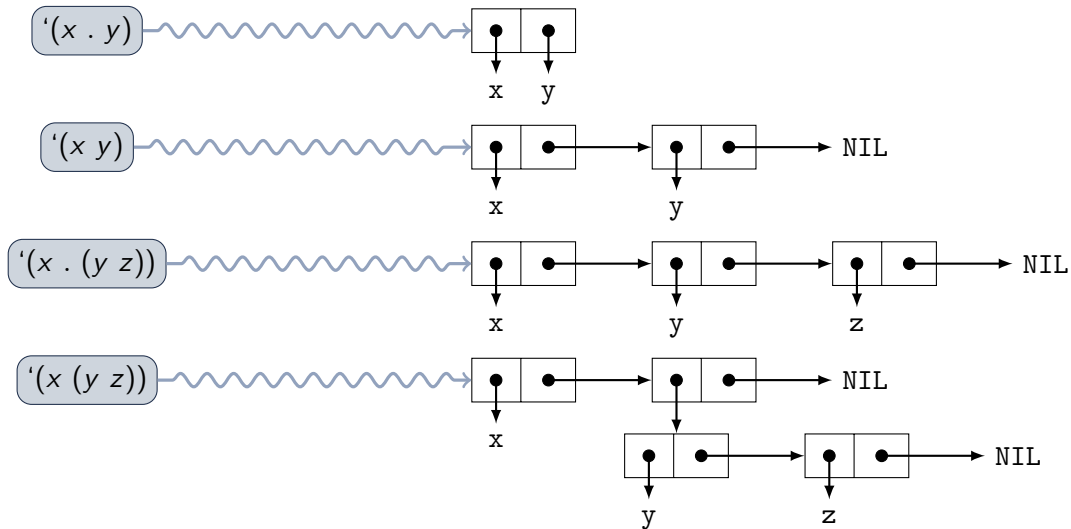


# CONStruct

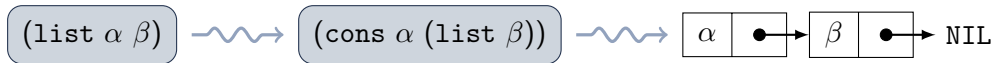
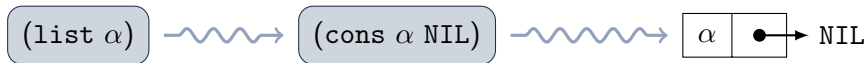
## Creating Lists



# Dotted List Notation



# List Function





# S-Expression Quoting

## Expressions vs. Execution

Execute:  $(\text{fun } a \ b \ c)$   $\rightsquigarrow$  return value of fun called on arguments  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$

Expression:  $'(\text{fun } a \ b \ c)$   $\rightsquigarrow$  The s-expression  $(\text{fun } a \ b \ c)$

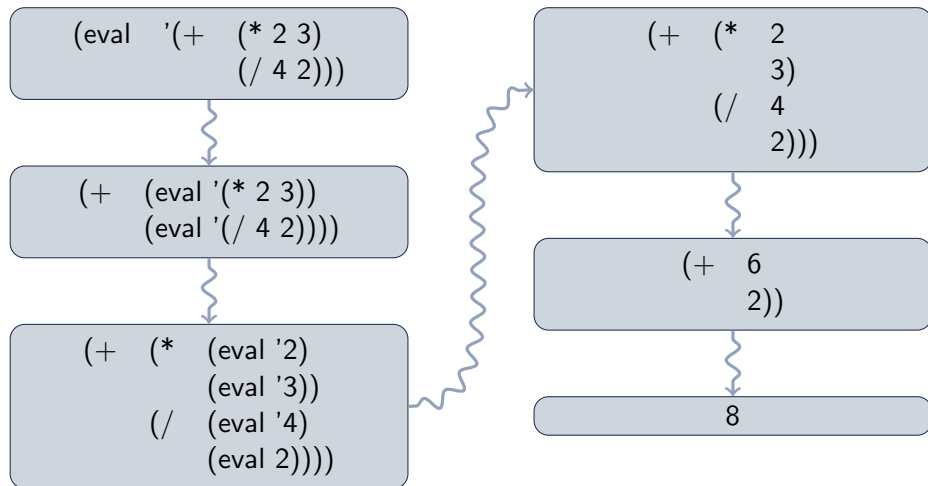
Examples:

- ▶  $(\text{list } 1 \ 2 \ 3)$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $(1 \ 2 \ 3)$
- ▶  $(\text{list } (+ \ 1 \ 2) \ 3)$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $(\text{list } 3 \ 3)$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $(3 \ 3)$
- ▶  $(\text{list } ' (+ \ 1 \ 2) \ 3)$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $((+ \ 1 \ 2) \ 3)$
- ▶  $(\text{list } ' + \ 1 \ (* \ 2 \ 3))$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $(\text{list } ' + \ 1 \ '6)$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $(+ \ 1 \ 6)$

## Exercise: List Construction

- ▶  $(\text{cons } 'x \ 'y) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{cons } 'x \ '(y \ z)) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{cons } 'x \ (\text{list } 'y \ 'z)) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{list } (+ \ 1 \ 2 \ 3)) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{list } '(+ \ 1 \ 2 \ 3)) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{list } ' * \ (+ \ 2 \ 2) \ '(- \ 2 \ 2)) \rightsquigarrow$
- ▶  $(\text{list } ' + \ '(* \ a \ 2) \ (* \ 3 \ 4)) \rightsquigarrow$

# Example: Evaluation via S-Expressions

 $2 * 3 + 4 / 2$ 


# Evaluation Algorithm

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## Procedure eval(e)

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```

1 if value?(e) then /* Argument is a value */
2   | return e;
3 else /* Argument is an expression */
4   | operator ← first(e) ;
5   | arg-sexp ← rest (e) ;
6   | arg-vals ← map (eval, arg-sexp);
7   | switch operator do
8     |   case '+' do f ← +;
9     |   case '-' do f ← -;
10    |   case '/' do f ← /;
11    |   case '*' do f ← *;
12   | return apply(f, arg-vals);

```

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# Map function

$$\text{map} : \underbrace{(\mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathcal{Y})}_{\text{function}} \times \underbrace{\mathcal{X}^n}_{\text{input sequence}} \mapsto \underbrace{\mathcal{Y}^n}_{\text{output sequence}}$$

## Recursive Implementation

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### Procedure map(f,s)

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```

1 if empty?(s) then /* s is empty */
2   | return nil
3 else /* s has members */
4   | return cons (f(first(s)), map(f, rest (s)));

```

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## Iterative Implementation

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### Procedure map(f,s)

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```

1 n ← length(s);
2 Y ← make-sequence(n);
3 i ← 0;
4 while i < n do
5   | Y[i] = f(s[i]);
6 return Y;

```

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# Exercise 1: Evaluation

$$2*(1+2+3) - 5$$

# Exercise 1: Evaluation

continued

## Example: Partial Evaluation

Given:   ▶  $f(x_0, x_1, x_2) = x_2(2x_0 + 3x_1 + x_2)$   
           ▶  $a = 1$   
           ▶  $b = 2$

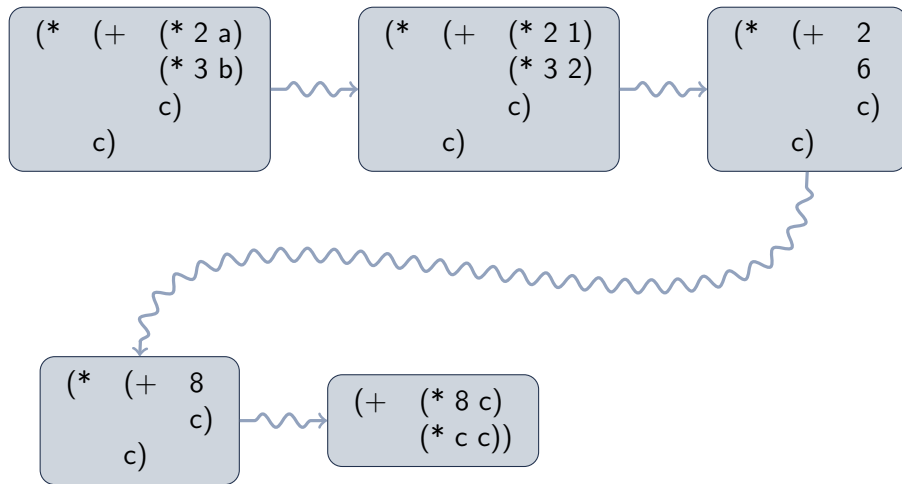
Find: Simplification of  $f(a, b, c)$

Solution:

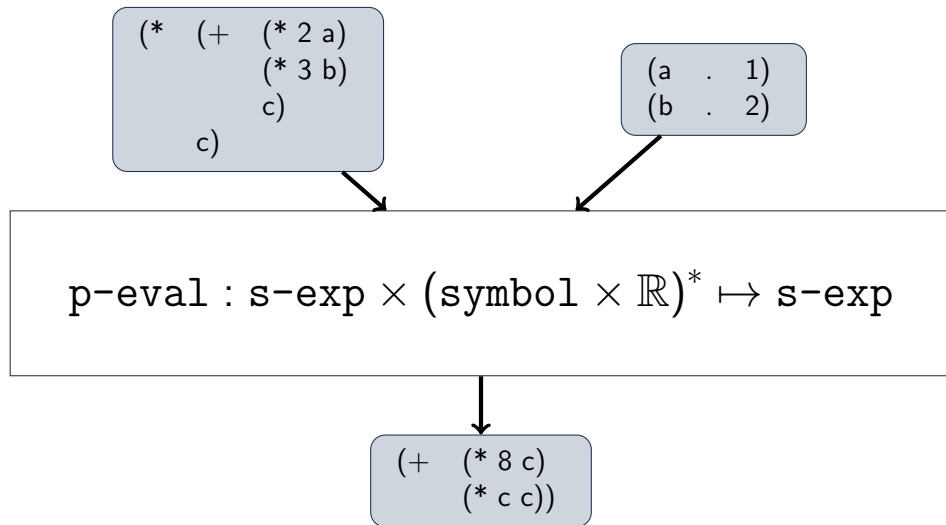
initial	$c(2a + 3b + c)$
substitute	$c(2 * 1 + 3 * 2 + c)$
evaluate	$c(2 + 6 + c)$
evaluate	$c(8 + c)$
expand	$8c + c^2$



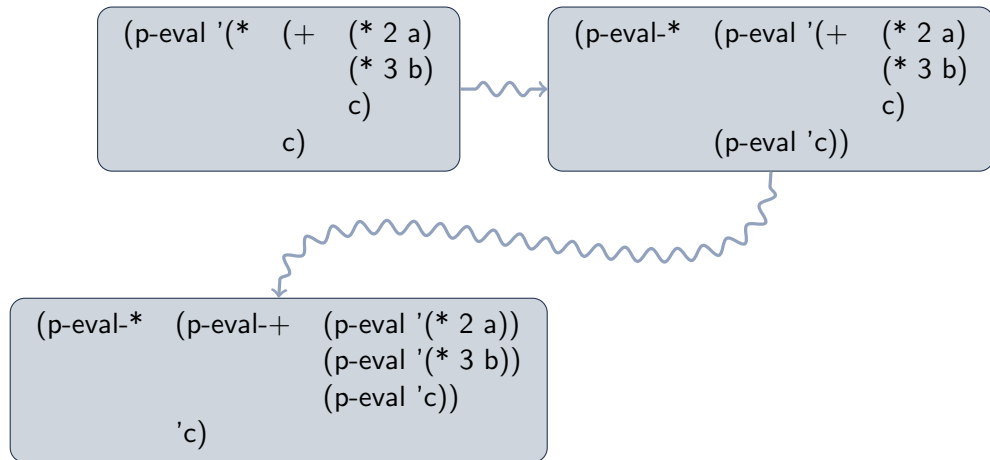
# Partial Evaluation via S-Expressions



# Partial Evaluation Function



# Recursive Partial Evaluation



# Recursive Partial Evaluation

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```
(p-eval-* (p-eval-+ (p-eval '(* 2 a))
                    (p-eval '(* 3 b))
                    (p-eval 'c))
          'c)
```



```
(p-eval-* (p-eval-+ (p-eval-* (p-eval 2)
                              (p-eval 'a))
                    (p-eval-* (p-eval 3)
                              (p-eval 'b))
                    'c)
          'c)
```

# Recursive Partial Evaluation

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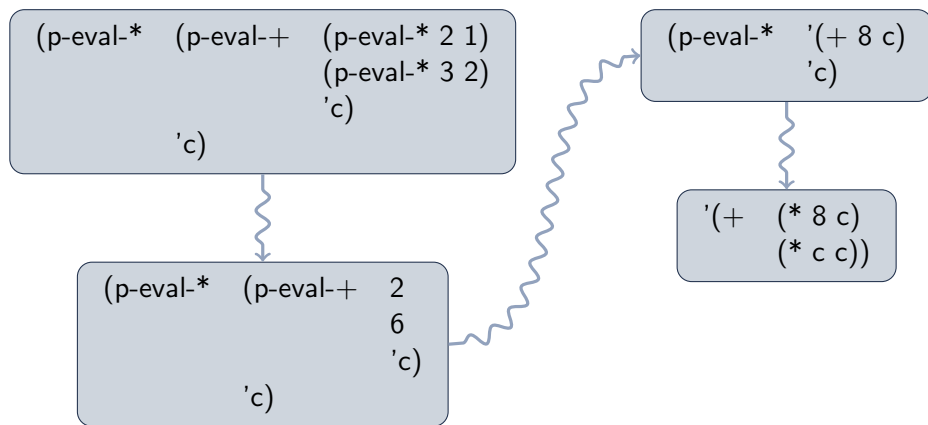
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                             (p-eval 'a))
            (p-eval-* (p-eval 3)
                       (p-eval 'b)))
          'c)
        'c)
```



```
(p-eval-* (p-eval+ (p-eval-* 2 1)
                   (p-eval-* 3 2)
                   'c)
          'c)
```

## Recursive Partial Evaluation

continued



# Algorithm: Partial Evaluation

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## Procedure p-eval(*e*,bindings)

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```

1 if number?(e) then
2   | return e;
3 else if symbol?(e) then
4   | if bindings[e] then return bindings[e] ;
5   | else return e ;
6 else
7   | y ← map (p-eval, rest (e));
8   | switch first(e) do
9   |   | case '+' do f ← p-eval-+;
10  |   | case '*' do f ← p-eval-*;
11  |   | ...
12  | return apply (f, y);

```

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# Algorithm: Partial Evaluation

Continued – Addition

## Algebraic Properties

Commutative:  $(\alpha + \beta) \rightsquigarrow (\beta + \alpha)$

Associative:  $((\alpha + \beta) + \gamma) \rightsquigarrow (\alpha + (\beta + \gamma))$

Identity:  $(\alpha + 0) \rightsquigarrow (\alpha)$

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### Procedure p-eval-+( $E \dots$ )

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```

1   $N \leftarrow \{e \in E \mid \text{number?}(e)\};$ 
2   $n \leftarrow \text{fold-left}(+, 0, N);$ 
3   $S \leftarrow \{e \in E \mid \neg \text{number?}(e)\};$ 
4  if  $0 = n$  then
5      if  $\emptyset = S$  then return 0;
6      else if  $1 = |S|$  then return first( $S$ );
7      else return cons('+,  $S$ );
8  else
9      if  $\emptyset = S$  then return  $n$ ;
10     else return cons('+, cons( $n, S$ ));
```

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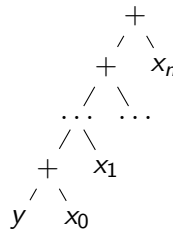
# Fold-Left

## 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

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**Function** fold-left( $f, y, X$ )

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```

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

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## Recursive

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**Function** fold-left( $f, y, X$ )

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```

1 if empty?( $X$ ) then return  $y$  ; /* Base Case */
2 else /* Recursive Case */
3    $y' \leftarrow f(y, \text{first}(X))$ ;
4   return fold-left( $f, y', \text{rest}(X)$ );
```

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# Exercise: Partial Evaluation

Given

- ▶  $a = 3$
- ▶  $b = 5$
- ▶  $c = 7$
- ▶  $e = \frac{a}{1+b+c} - d$

Find: Recursively simplify  $e$

Solution:

# Exercise: Partial Evaluation

continued – 1

# Exercise: Partial Evaluation

continued – 2

# Exercise: Partial Evaluation

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# Derivative

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df(t)}{dt} &= \frac{\text{change in } f(t)}{\text{change in } t} \\ &= \frac{\Delta f(t)}{\Delta t} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t+h) - f(t)}{h}\end{aligned}$$

# Differential Calculus

## Rewrite Rules

$$\text{Constant:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} k \rightsquigarrow 0$$

$$\text{Variable:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} t \rightsquigarrow 1$$

$$\text{Constant Power (var):} \quad \frac{d}{dt} t^k \rightsquigarrow k * t^{k-1}$$

$$\text{Constant Power (fun):} \quad \frac{d}{dt} f(t)^k \rightsquigarrow k * (f(t))^{k-1} * \frac{d}{dt} f(t)$$

$$\text{Addition:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} (f(t) + g(t)) \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) + \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$$

$$\text{Subtraction:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} (f(t) - g(t)) \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) - \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$$

$$\text{Multiplication:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} (f(t) * g(t)) \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) * g(t) + f(t) * \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$$

$$\text{Division:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} \right) \rightsquigarrow \frac{\frac{d}{dt} f(t)}{g(t)} - \frac{f(t) * \frac{d}{dt} g(t)}{(g(t))^2}$$

$$\text{Chain Rule:} \quad \frac{d}{dt} f(g(t)) \rightsquigarrow f'(g(t)) * \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$$



# Derivatives of Common Functions

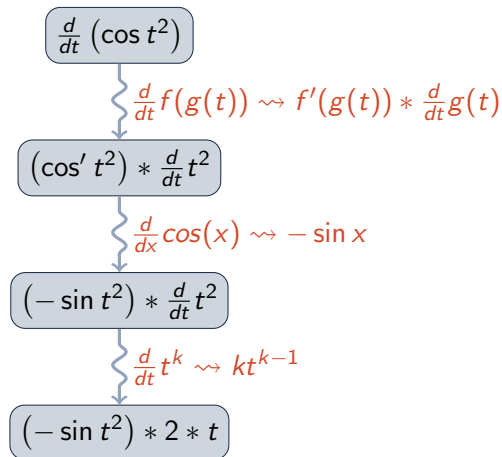
**Sine:**  $\sin' x \rightsquigarrow \cos x$

**Cosine:**  $\cos' x \rightsquigarrow -\sin x$

**Natural Logarithm:**  $\ln' x \rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{x}$

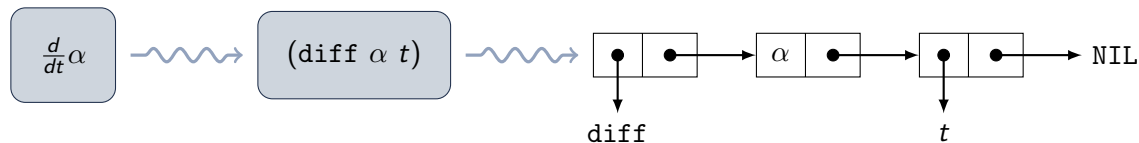
**Exponential:**  $\exp' x \rightsquigarrow \exp x$

# Differentiation Steps

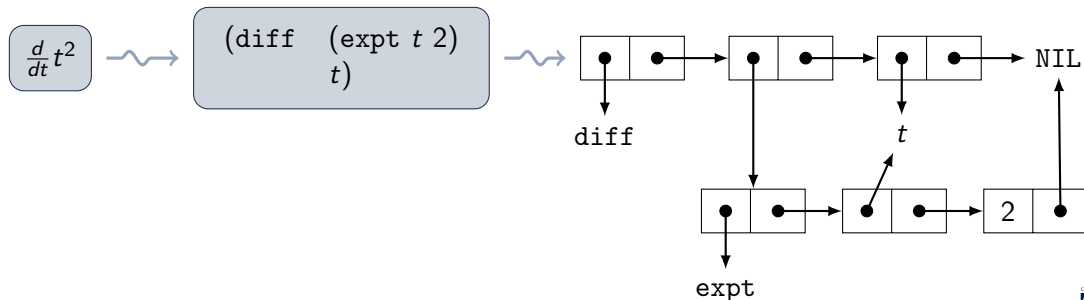
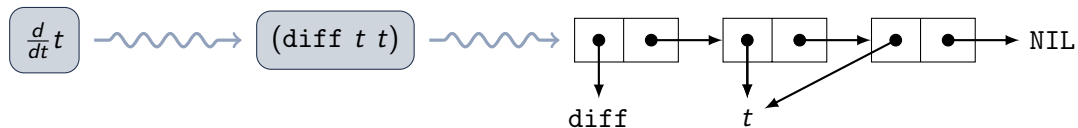


*Just apply rewrite rules*

# Differentiation via Symbolic Expressions



# Example: Differentiation S-exps



## Exercise: Differentiation S-exps

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\sin t}{\cos t}$$

# Differential Calculus

## S-expression Rewrite Rules

$$\frac{d}{dt}f(t) \rightsquigarrow (\text{diff } (f \ t) \ t)$$

**Constant:**  $(\text{diff } k \ t) \rightsquigarrow 0$

**Variable:**  $(\text{diff } t \ t) \rightsquigarrow 1$

**Constant Power:**  $(\text{diff } (\text{expt } t \ k) \ t) \rightsquigarrow (* \ k \ (\text{expt } t \ (- \ k \ 1)))$

**Addition:**  $(\text{diff } (+ \ (f \ t) \ (g \ t)) \ t) \rightsquigarrow (+ \ (\text{diff } (f \ t) \ t) \ (\text{diff } (g \ t) \ t))$

**Multiplication:**  $(\text{diff } (+ \ (f \ t) \ (g \ t)) \ t) \rightsquigarrow$   
 $(+ \ (* \ (\text{diff } (f \ t) \ t) \ (g \ t)) \ (* \ (f \ t) \ (\text{diff } (g \ t) \ t)))$

**Chain Rule:**  $(\text{diff } (f \ (g \ t))) \rightsquigarrow$   
 $(* \ (\text{deriv } f \ (g \ t)) \ (\text{diff } (g \ t) \ t))$

# Exercise: Differential Calculus

## S-expression Rewrite Rules

**Subtraction:**  $\frac{d}{dt} (f(t) - g(t)) \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) - \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$

**Division:**  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{f(t)}{g(t)} \right) \rightsquigarrow \frac{\frac{d}{dt} f(t)}{g(t)} - \frac{f(t) * \frac{d}{dt} g(t)}{(g(t))^2}$

# Derivatives of Common Functions

S-expressions

$$f'(x) \rightsquigarrow (\text{deriv } f \ x)$$

**Sine:**  $(\text{deriv } \sin \alpha) \rightsquigarrow (\cos \alpha)$

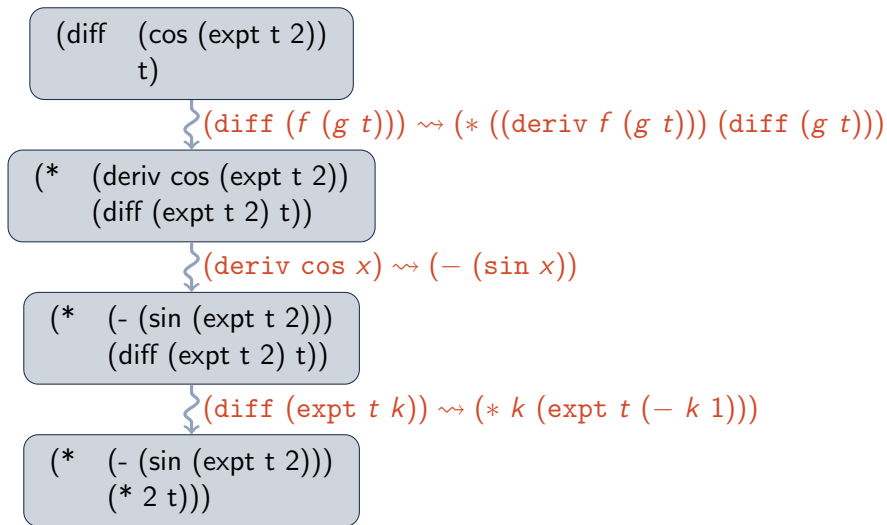
**Cosine:**  $(\text{deriv } \cos \alpha) \rightsquigarrow (- (\sin \alpha))$

**Natural Logarithm:**  $(\text{deriv } \ln \alpha) \rightsquigarrow (/ \ 1 \ \alpha)$

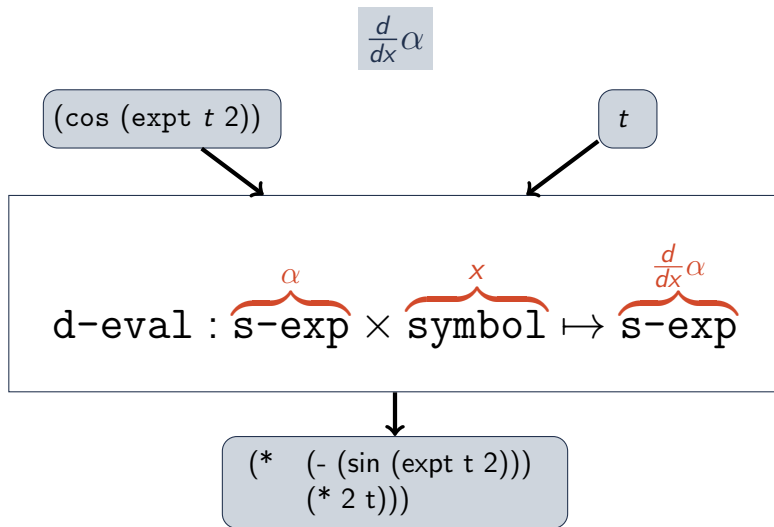
**Exponential:**  $(\text{deriv } \exp \alpha) \rightsquigarrow (\exp \alpha)$



## S-expression Differentiation Steps



## Symbolic Differentiation Function



# List Template Syntax

Backquote ('): Create a template

- ▶  $'(x_0 \dots x_n) \rightsquigarrow (\text{list } 'x_0 \dots 'x_n)$
- ▶  $'(+ a (* b c)) \rightsquigarrow (\text{list } '+ 'a (\text{list } '* b c)) \rightsquigarrow (+ a (* b c))$

Comma (,): Evaluate next element and insert into list

- ▶  $'(\alpha \dots , y \beta \dots) \rightsquigarrow (\text{list } \alpha \dots \overset{\text{evaluated}}{\underbrace{y}} \beta \dots)$
- ▶  $'(+ a , (* 2 3)) \rightsquigarrow (\text{list } '+ 'a , (* 2 3)) \rightsquigarrow (+ a 6)$

Comma-At (,@): Evaluate next element and splice into list

- ▶  $'(\alpha \dots , @y \beta \dots) \rightsquigarrow (\text{append } \alpha \dots \overset{\text{splice}}{\underbrace{y}} \beta \dots)$
- ▶  $'(+ a , @(\text{list } (* 2 3) (* 4 5)))$   
 $\rightsquigarrow (\text{append } (\text{list } '+ a) (\text{list } (* 2 3) (* 4 5)))$   
 $\rightsquigarrow (+ a 6 20)$

## Exercise: List Template Syntax

► `'(1 2 ,(+ 3 4))`  $\rightsquigarrow$

► `'(,1 ,2 (+ 3 4))`  $\rightsquigarrow$

► `'(+ 1 ,2 ,(+ 3 4))`  $\rightsquigarrow$

► `'(1 2 ,@(list '+ '3 '4))`  $\rightsquigarrow$

# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

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## Procedure d-eval( $e, v$ )

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```

1 if constant?( $e$ ) then return 0; //  $\frac{d}{dv}k \rightsquigarrow 0$ 
2 else if  $v = e$  then return 1; //  $\frac{d}{dv}v \rightsquigarrow 1$ 
3 else
4    $f \leftarrow \text{first}(e)$ ;
5   if  $+ = f$  then return d-eval-+( $e, v$ ) ; //  $\frac{d}{dt}(f(t) + g(t))$ 
6   else if  $* = f$  then return d-eval-*( $e, v$ ) ; //  $\frac{d}{dt}(f(t) * g(t))$ 
7   else if ( $\text{expt} = f$ )  $\wedge$  constant?(third( $e$ )) then //  $\frac{d}{dt}f^k(t) \rightsquigarrow kf^{k-1}(t)(\frac{d}{dt}f(t))$ 
8     return d-eval-expt( $e, v$ )
9   ...
10  else if  $1 = |\text{rest}(e)|$  then //  $\frac{d}{dt}f(g(t)) = f'(g(t))\frac{d}{dt}g(t)$ 
11    return d-eval-chain( $e, v$ );
12  else error("Unhandled expression") ;
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# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

d-eval-+

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**Procedure** d-eval-+( $e, v$ )

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*/\*  $\frac{d}{dv}(f(t) + g(t)) \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dv}f(t) + \frac{d}{dv}g(t)$  \*/*

*\*/*

**1 return** cons('+, map(d-eval, rest( $e$ )))

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# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

d-eval-\*

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## Procedure d-eval-\*(e,v)

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*/\*  $\frac{d}{dv}(f(v) * g(v)) \rightsquigarrow (\frac{d}{dv} f(v)) * g(v) + f(v) * (\frac{d}{dv} g(v))$  \*/*

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1  a ← rest(e);
2  if 0 = |a| then return 0 ;
3  else if 1 = |a| then return d-eval(first(a),v) ;
4  else if 2 = |a| then
5  |   a0 ← first(a) ; // f(t)
6  |   a1 ← second(a) ; // g(t)
7  |   return '(+ ( $\overbrace{(*, (d\text{-eval } a_0 \ v), a_1)}^{\frac{d}{dv} f(v) * g(v)}$ ) ( $\overbrace{(*, a_0, (d\text{-eval } a_1 \ v))}^{\frac{d}{dv} g(v) * f(v)}$ ));
8  else // n-ary multiply:  $(* a \beta_0 \dots \beta_n) \rightsquigarrow (* a (* \beta_0 \dots \beta_n))$ 
9  |   return d-eval-*(first(a), cons('*, rest(a)));

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# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

d-eval-expt

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## Procedure d-eval-expt( $e, v$ )

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*/\*  $\frac{d}{dv} f^k(v) \rightsquigarrow k * (f(v))^{k-1} * (\frac{d}{dv} f(v))$  \*/*

1  $a_0 \leftarrow \text{second}(e);$

2  $k \leftarrow \text{third}(e);$

3 **return**  $'(* \quad k \quad \overbrace{(\text{expt } a_0 \text{ } (- \text{ } k \text{ } 1))}^{(f(v))^{k-1}} \quad \overbrace{(\text{d-eval } a_0 \text{ } v))}^{\frac{d}{dt} f(v)})$

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# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

d-eval-chain

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## Procedure d-eval-chain( $e, v$ )

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*/\*  $\frac{d}{dv} f(g(v)) \rightsquigarrow f'(g(v)) * \frac{d}{dv} g(v)$  \*/*

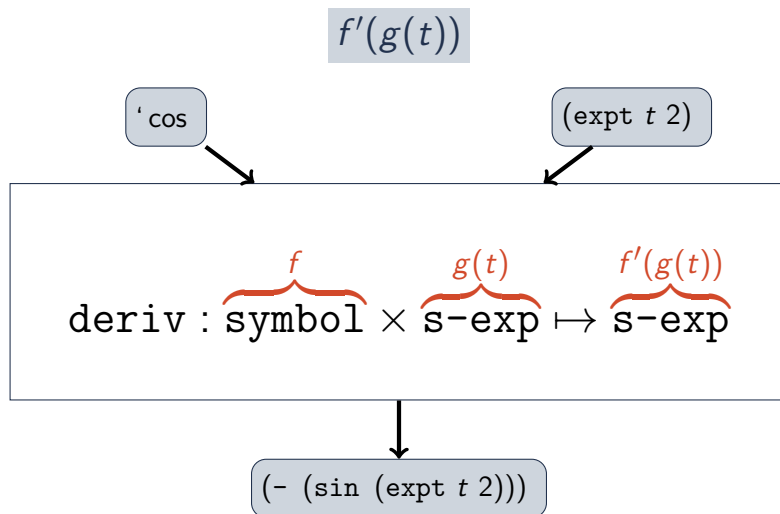
*\*/*

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1  $f \leftarrow \text{first}(e);$ 
2  $a_0 \leftarrow \text{second}(e);$  //  $g(v)$ 
3 if constant?( $a_0$ ) then
4   return 0;
5 else
6   return '(* ,  $\overbrace{(\text{deriv } f \ a_0)}^{f'(g(v))}$  ,  $\overbrace{(\text{d-eval } a_0 \ v)}^{\frac{d}{dv} g(v)}$ );
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## Deriv Function



# Symbolic Differentiation Algorithm

deriv

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## Procedure $\text{deriv}(f, a)$

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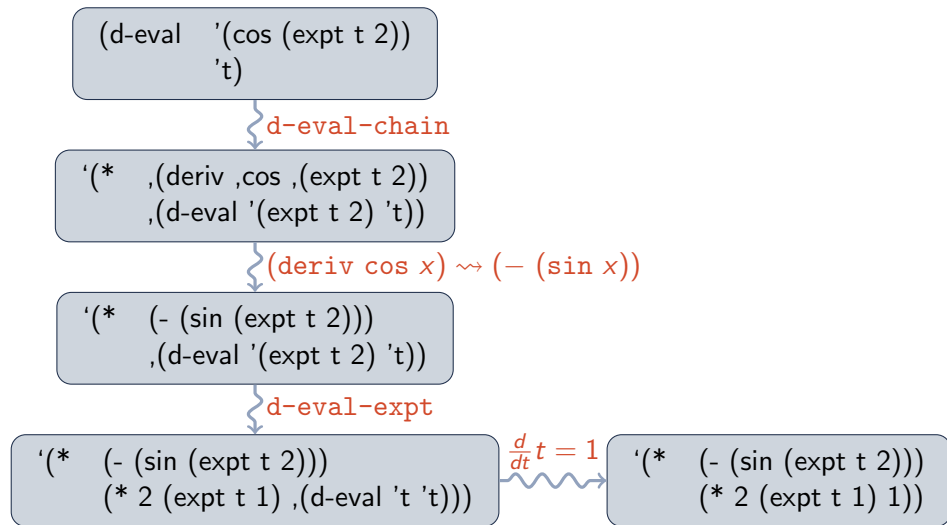
1 switch  $f$  do
2   case 'sin do return '(cos , a) ; //  $\sin' a = \cos a$ 
3   case 'cos do return '(- (sin , a)) ; //  $\cos' a = -\sin a$ 
4   case 'ln do return '(/ 1 , a) ; //  $\ln' a = \frac{1}{a}$ 
5   case 'exp do return '(exp , a) ; //  $\exp a = \exp a$ 
6   ...
  /* Else:
7 error("Unhandled function")

```

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## Example 0: Symbolic Differentiation Recursion Trace



# Exercise 1: Symbolic Differentiation Recursion Trace

$$\frac{d}{dt} \sin^2 t$$

## Exercise 2: Symbolic Differentiation Recursion Trace

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x + a * x^2)$$

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$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x + a * x^2)$  – continued 1

## Exercise 2: Symbolic Differentiation Recursion Trace

$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x + a * x^2)$  – continued 2



## Exercise 2: Symbolic Differentiation Recursion Trace

$\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x + a * x^2)$  – continued 3

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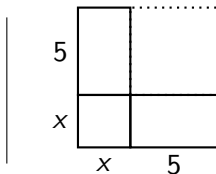
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Notation and Programming

# Historical Note: Algebra

“The first quadrate, which is the square, and the two quandrangle sides, which are the ten roots, make together 39.”



Muhammad ibn Musa al-Khwarizmi  
محمد بن موسى خوارزمی  
“Algoritmi”  
C.E 780-850

## Modern Notation

$$x^2 + 10x = 39$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 25 = 39 + 25$$

$$(x + 5)^2 = 64$$

$$x + 5 = 8$$

$$x = 3$$

# Sapir-Whorf Hypothesis

**Language determines / constraints thought.**



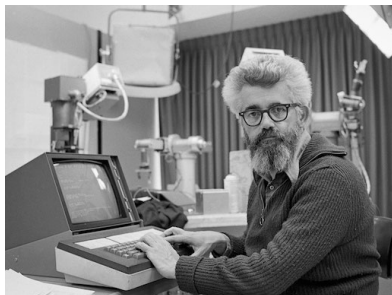
Edward Sapir



Benjamin Lee Whorf

*Appropriate language/notation/abstraction makes math easier.*

# S-Expressions and Programming



**McCarthy, John.**

"Recursive Functions  
of Symbolic Expressions  
and Their Computation by Machine,  
Part I"

## "Math:"

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

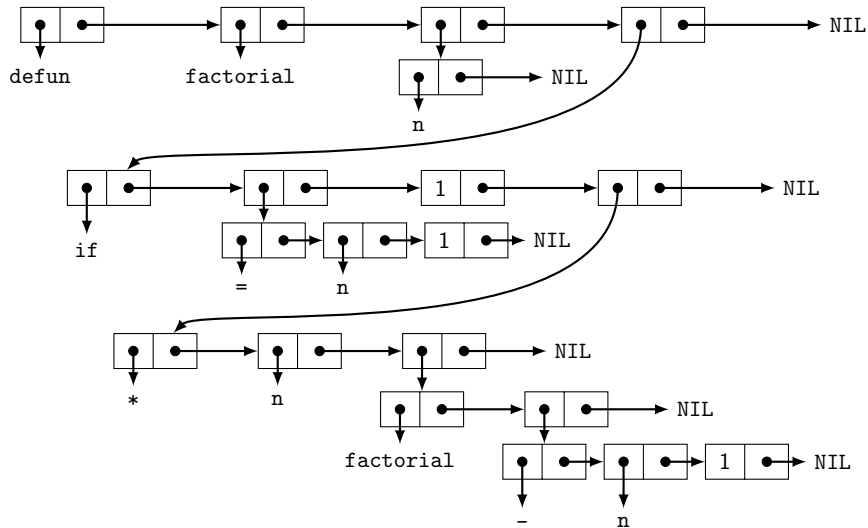
## M-expression:

$$n! = (n = 0 \rightarrow 1, \quad T \rightarrow n \cdot (n - 1)!)$$

## S-expression:

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(defun factorial (n)
  (if (= n 0)
      1
      (* n (factorial (- n 1)))))
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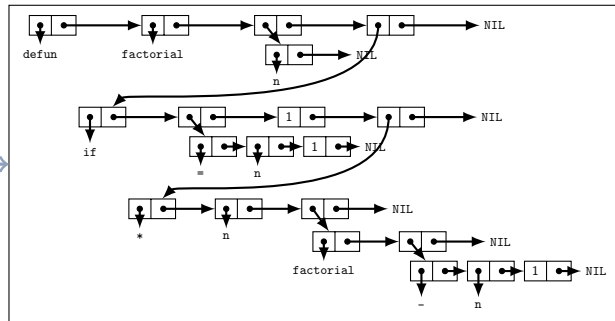
# Factorial Cell Diagram



# Homoiconic

Code is Data

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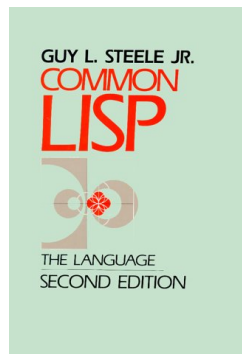
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# Lisp

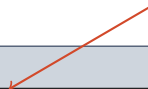
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- 1994: ANSI Common Lisp Standard



# Common Lisp Implementations

Use SBCL!



Name	Compiler	License	URL
Steel Bank Common Lisp	Good	Public Domain	<a href="http://sbcl.org/">http://sbcl.org/</a>
Clozure Common Lisp	Fair	Apache	<a href="https://ccl.clozure.com/">https://ccl.clozure.com/</a>
Embeddable Common Lisp	Fair	LGPL	<a href="https://common-lisp.net/project/ec1/">https://common-lisp.net/project/ec1/</a>
CLISP	Bytecode	GPL	<a href="http://clisp.org/">http://clisp.org/</a>
LispWorks	Good	Commercial	<a href="http://www.lispworks.com/">http://www.lispworks.com/</a>
Allegro Common Lisp	Good	Commercial	<a href="https://franz.com">https://franz.com</a>

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