
VL Nichtprozedurale Programmierung

Funktionale Programmierung

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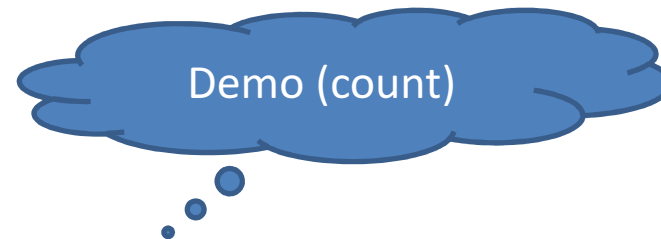
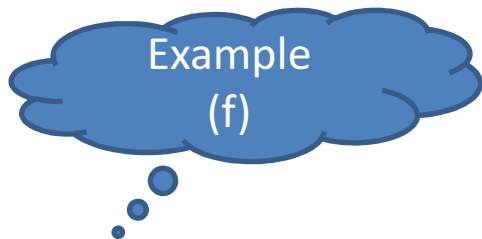
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Recursion

- What is recursion?
- Two cases (at least)
 - Base case first
 - no recursive call; ends 'looping'
 - often more complicated than the recursive case
 - Recursive case
 - calls itself with a 'reduced' problem



Recursion

- very elegant (e.g., quicksort, towersOfHanoi)
- Sometimes not efficient (e.g. fibonacci)
 - stack growth
 - multiple invocation (tree recursion)

Linear Recursion / Iteration (1) [SICP 1.2]

- $n! = n * (n-1) * (n-2) * \dots * 3 * 2 * 1$
 - There are different ways to calculate $n!$
 - e.g. $n! = n * (n-1)!$

```
(define (factorial n)
  (if (= n 1)
      1
      (* n (factorial (- n 1)))))
```

```
(factorial 6)
(* 6 (factorial 5))
(* 6 (* 5 (factorial 4)))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 (factorial 3))))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 (* 3 (factorial 2)))))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 (* 3 (* 2 (factorial 1)))))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 (* 3 (* 2 1)))))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 (* 3 2))))
(* 6 (* 5 (* 4 6)))
(* 6 (* 5 24))
(* 6 120)
720
```

Chain of deferred operations

→ With substitution model (lecture 1)

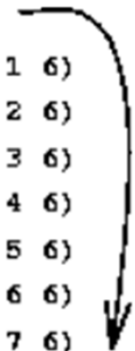
→ recursive function, recursive process
linear recursive process

Linear Recursion / Iteration (2)

- Another perspective
 - $n! = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots * n$
- \rightarrow maintain a running product, together with a counter that counts from 1 up to n

product \leftarrow counter * product
counter \leftarrow counter + 1

```
{factorial 6}  
{fact-iter 1 1 6}  
{fact-iter 1 2 6}  
{fact-iter 2 3 6}  
{fact-iter 6 4 6}  
{fact-iter 24 5 6}  
{fact-iter 120 6 6}  
{fact-iter 720 7 6}  
720
```



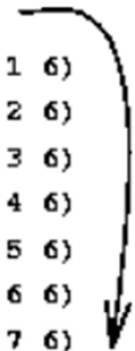
Linear Recursion / Iteration (3)

- Another perspective
 - $n! = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots * n$
- → maintain a running product, together with a counter that counts from 1 up to n

```
(define (factorial n)
  (fact-iter 1 1 n))
```

```
(define (fact-iter product counter max-count)
  (if (> counter max-count)
      product
      (fact-iter (* counter product)
                  (+ counter 1)
                  max-count)))
```

```
(factorial 6)
(fact-iter 1 1 6)
(fact-iter 1 2 6)
(fact-iter 2 3 6)
(fact-iter 6 4 6)
(fact-iter 24 5 6)
(fact-iter 120 6 6)
(fact-iter 720 7 6)
720
```



→ See tail-recursion

→ recursive function, iterative process

linear iterative process

Tail recursion (“Endrekursion”)

- tail call
 - A call of a subroutine (procedure) that is performed as the final action of a procedure
- tail recursive
 - If this call is a call to the subroutine itself
 - Can be implemented efficiently (depends on language/compiler)
 - Tail optimization (e.g. Racket)
 - No new stack frame for each call (reuse & replace)

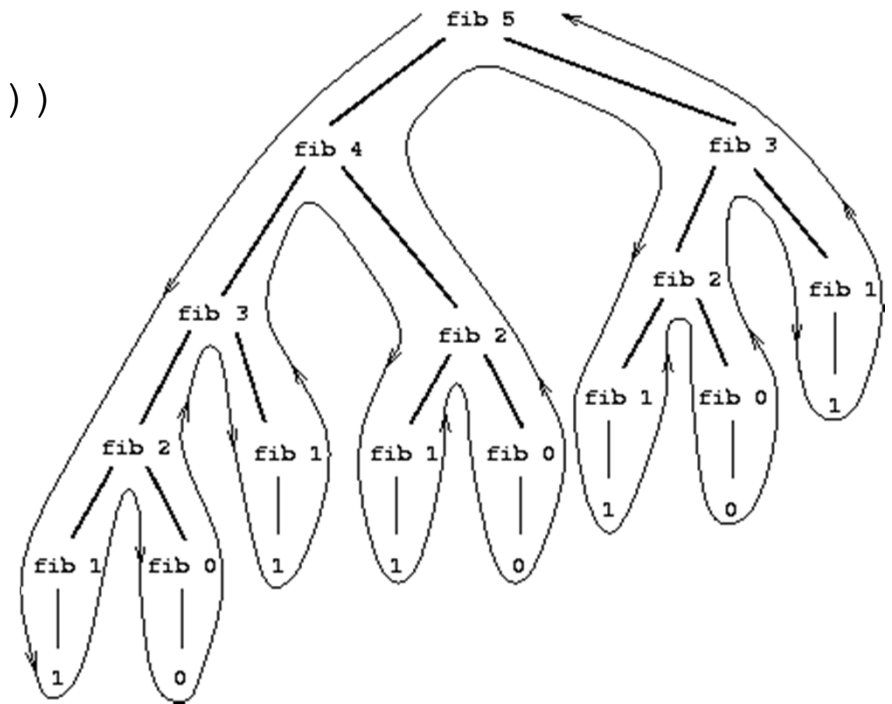
Tree Recursion

- Fibonacci numbers: 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, ...

```
(define (fib n)
  (cond ((= n 0) 0)
        ((= n 1) 1)
        (else (+ (fib (- n 1))
                  (fib (- n 2))))))
```

Note: **tree recursive** processes are natural and **powerful tools** to operate on **hierarchical data structures**

In general, the number of steps required by a tree-recursive process will be proportional to the number of nodes in the tree, while the space required will be proportional to the maximum depth of the tree.



Higher-Order Procedures

- Until now (also in 1st semester)
 - Functions (aka methods in Java, procedures) whose parameters were numbers, booleans, Objects

A more powerful abstraction mechanism:

- Higher-Order Procedures
 - Accept **procedures as arguments** (parameters)
 - or
 - **Return procedures**

..... increase the expressiveness of a language!

- “**First-class**” (Christopher Strachey, 1960s)
 - A prog.lang. has **first-class functions** if it treats functions as first-class citizens.
 - A **first-class citizen** is an entity which supports all the operations generally available to other entities.
 - e.g. being passed as a parameter, returned from a function, and assigned to a variable

Procedures as arguments [Motivation]

- ```
(define (sum-integers a b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ a (sum-integers (+ a 1) b)))))
```

Computes the sum of the integers from a through b

E.g. (sum-integers 1 4)

How does this look like?

Note: this is not a  
higher-order-  
procedure

Demo2-1

# Procedures as arguments [Motivation]

- ```
(define (sum-integers a b)
  (if (> a b)
      0
      (+ a (sum-integers (+ a 1) b)))))
```

Computes the sum of the integers from a through b

- ```
(define (sum-cubes a b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ (cube a) (sum-cubes (+ a 1) b)))))
```

Computes the sum of the cubes of the integers in the given range

- ...

## Differences:

- **Name** of the procedure
- The function of a used to compute the **term** to be added
- The function that provides the **next** value of a.

## General pattern:

```
(define (<name> a b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ (<term> a)
 (<name> (<next> a) b))))
```

# Procedures as arguments

Copied from last slide:

**General pattern:**

```
(define (<name> a b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ (<term> a)
 (<name> (<next> a) b))))
```

```
(define (sum-integers a b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ a (sum-integers (+ a 1) b))))
```

The presence of such a pattern is a strong evidence that there is some useful abstraction .....

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cf. Sigma notation  $\sum_{n=a}^b f(n) = f(a) + \dots + f(b)$

```
(define (sum term a next b)
 (if (> a b)
 0
 (+ (term a)
 (sum term (next a) next b))))
```

Demo2-1

How would this look like in Java?

## ... in Java (version < 8)

```
interface Func {
 int eval(int x);
}
```

```
public static int sum(Func term, int a, Func next, int b) {
 if(a > b) return 0;
 else return term.eval(a) + sum(term, next.eval(a), next, b);
}
```

```
public static int sumIntegers(int a, int b) {
 return sum(new Func() { public int eval(int x) { return x; } }, a, new Func() { public int eval(int x) { return x + 1; } }, b);
}
```

```
public static int sumEverySecondSquare(int a, int b) {
 return sum(new Func() { public int eval(int x) { return x * x; } }, a, new Func() { public int eval(int x) { return x + 2; } }, b);
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
 System.out.println("sumIntegers(1, 10): " + sumIntegers(1, 10));
 System.out.println("sumEverySecondSquare(1, 10): " + sumEverySecondSquare(1, 10));
 System.out.println("sumEveryThirdCube(1, 10): " + sum(new Func() { public int eval(int x) { return x * x * x; } }, 1, new Func() {
 public int eval(int x) { return x + 3; } }, 10));
}
```

See  
[FuncProg\\_02\\_higherOrderFuncs.java](#)

In Java8: .... to come!

# $\lambda$ Lambda ... anonymous procedure

- Lambda is used to create procedures in the same way as define, except that no name is specified for the procedure.

- E.g. `(lambda (x) (+ x 4))`

- `(lambda (<formal params>) <body>)`

- E.g. `((lambda (x y z) (+ x y (square z))) 1 2 3)`  
 $\rightarrow 12$

Note: Use **lambda** or  **$\lambda$**

<Strg> + <\>

<Strg> + <?B\>

Demo2-1b

# Procedures as Returned Values

- We will see an example in a few slides...

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# That's it for today

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# Thank you!