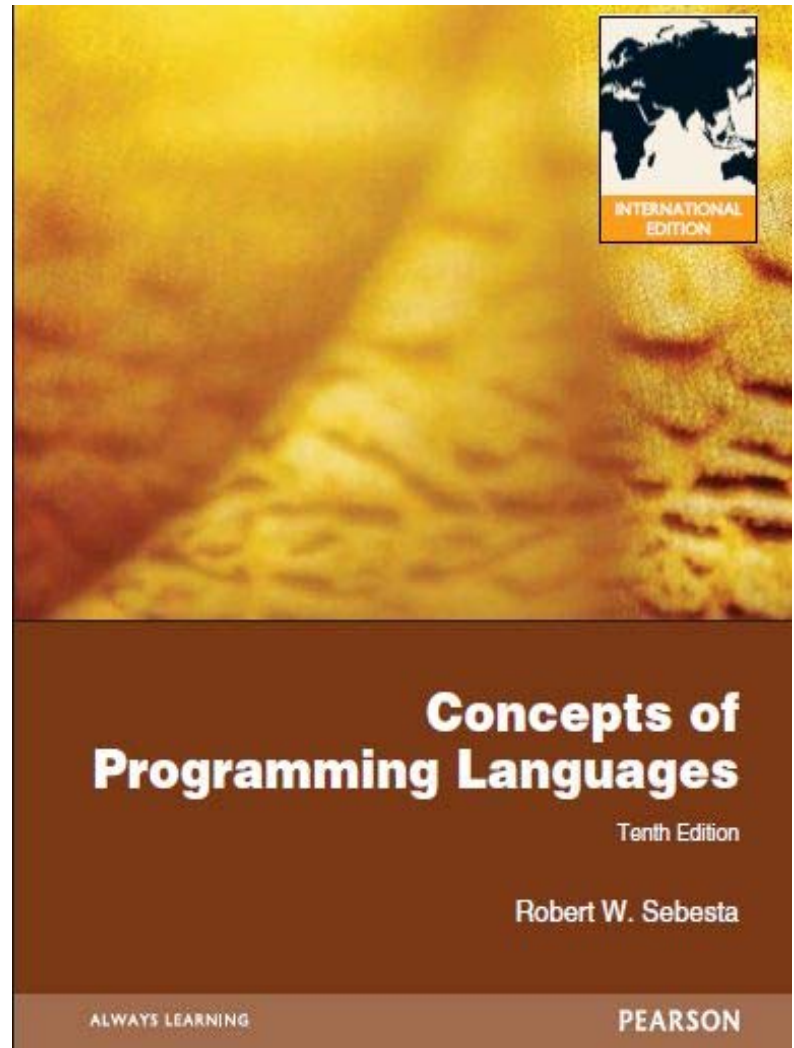


# Programming Language

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# Lecture 5

## LISP

# Functional Programming: LISP

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- LISP Processing language
  - Designed at MIT by McCarthy in 1960s.
- AI research needed a language to
  - Process data in lists (rather than arrays)
  - Symbolic computation (rather than numeric)
- Only two data types: atoms and lists

# LISP variants

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- LISP is a functional language. Variants are
  - ▣ Scheme
  - ▣ Emacs LISP
  - ▣ AutoLISP
  - ▣ Common Lisp
- Common Lisp and Scheme are the most popular
  - ▣ Scheme is for educational purpose
  - ▣ Common Lisp is the most popular functional languages

# Objects

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- Atoms

- ▣ Numbers: 4 3.14 ½ #x16 #o22

- ▣ Constants: pi t nil lambda-list-keywords

- ▣ Characters: #\a #\Q #\space #\tab 預設的keywords

- ▣ Strings: "foo" "Hello Hi" "@%!?#"

- a sequence of characters bounded by double quotes

- ▣ Booleans: T for true, NIL for false

- ▣ Symbols: Dave num123 miles->km !\_^!  
2nd-place \*foo\* 一串字元

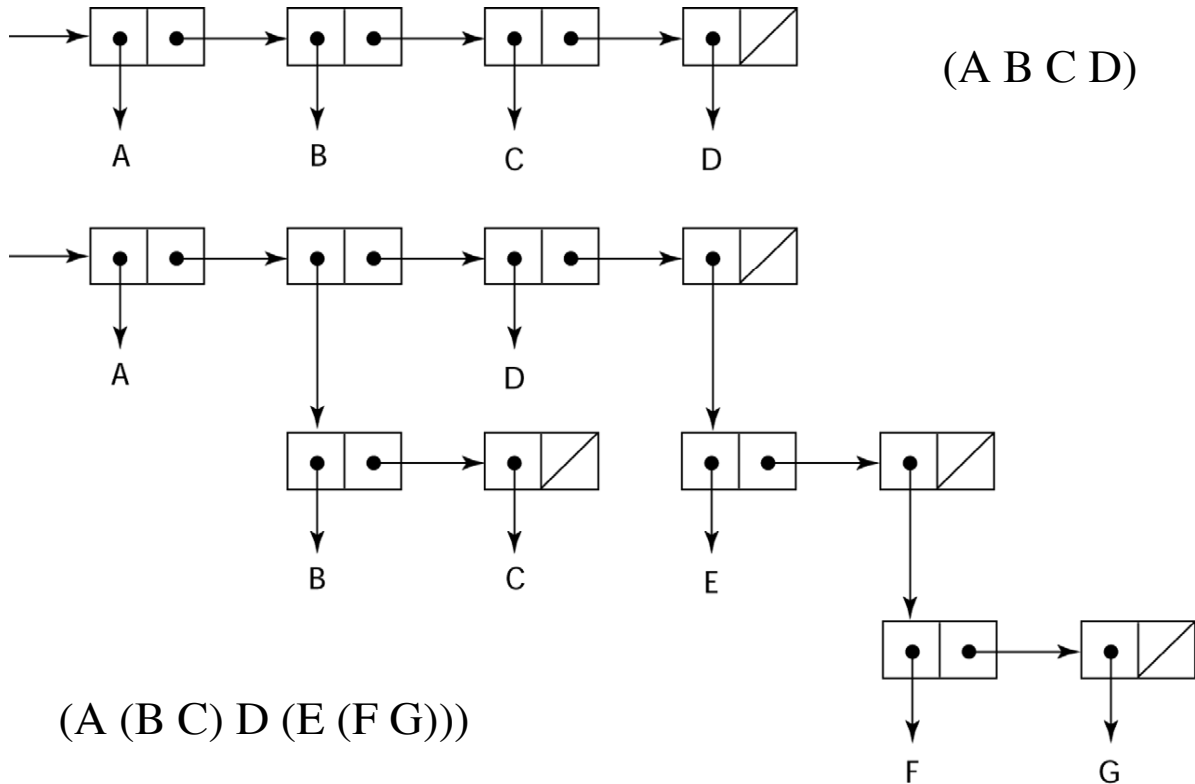
- Two special symbols: T for true and NIL for false

# Objects (cont.)

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- **Lists:** a list of atoms and/or lists, bounded by "(" and ")",  
e.g.:  
(a b c), (a (b c))  
( ) 空的list  
(a) is equal to ( a ( ) ) 含有a的list  
(a b c d)  
((a b) c (d e)) sub list  
((((a))))
- **Top elements of a list**
  - ▣ example: top elements of list (a b c) are a, b, and c
  - ▣ top elements of list (a (b c)) are a and (b c)
  - ▣ nil: empty list, same as ().

# Representation of Two LISP Lists



# Example of comments

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- Examples of comments ; and “ ”  
註解

```
;;; A comment formatted as a block of text  
;;; outside of any function definition
```

```
(defun fib (n)  
  ;; A comment on a line by itself  
  (if (< n 3)  
      1 ; A comment on the same line as some code  
      (+ (fib (- n 1))  
         (fib (- n 2))))))
```

```
(setq *global-variable* 10)  
(let (local-variable)  
  (setq local-variable 15))
```



# Substitution Model

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- The basic rule: 前序
  - To evaluate a Scheme expression:
  - 1. Evaluate its operands
  - 2. Evaluate the operator
  - 3. Apply the operator to the evaluated operands

(operator operand1 operand2 ...)

(+ 3 (\* 4 5) )

# Example expression evaluate

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- Example:  $(+ 3(* 45))$ 
  - evaluate 3
  - evaluate  $(* 45)$ 
    - evaluate 4
    - evaluate 5
    - evaluate  $*$
  - apply  $*$  to 4, 5  $\rightarrow 20$
  - evaluate  $+$
  - apply  $+$  to 3, 20  $\rightarrow 23$

# Quote

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- Use `quote` or `'` to avoid procedure application

`>(+ 1 2)`    `=> 3`

`>(1 2 3)`    `=> error`

`>'(1 2 3)`    `=> (1 2 3)`    不對list做運算

`>(quote (1 2 3))` `=> (1 2 3)`

# Primitive Numeric Function

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- Primitive Numeric Function:
  - ▣ function only deal with numeric atoms
  - ▣ `+ - * /, sqrt`

```
>42                => 42
>(* 3 7)           => 21
>(+ 5 7 8)         => 20
>(- 24 (* 4 3))    =>12
>(sqrt 4)          => 2
```

```
(+) => 0
```

# Numerical Calculation Function

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- There are some function
  - $+, -, *, /$
  - $(\text{sqrt } 16) \Rightarrow 4$
  - $(\text{expt } 10 \ 2) \Rightarrow 100$
  - $(\text{max } 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5) \Rightarrow 5$
  - $(\text{min } 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5) \Rightarrow 1$
  - $(\text{mod } (\text{abs } -27) \ 5) \Rightarrow 2$   
絕對值

# Example

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- `setq` is a special form of function (with two arguments); Assign一個變數

```
>(setq x 3.0)  
3.0  x = 3.0
```

```
>x  
3.0
```

```
>(setq y x)  y = x  
3.0  
; the value of y is assigned as the value of x
```

```
>y  
3.0
```

```
>(+ x y)  
6.0
```

# Let evaluation

在let中使用的variable，出了let則無法使用

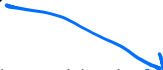
- Let function

Scoping：變數有效使用範圍

```
>(let ((x 5) (y 8)) (* x y))  
40
```

```
>x  
Error: Unbound variable
```

```
>(setq w 77)  
77  
>(let ((w 8) (x w)) (+ w x))  
85
```



```
>w  
77
```

```
>x  
Error: Unbound variable
```

# Essential Multiple Values

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(values :this :that)    value : return 後面的parameter (可輸出多個值)

> :this ;

> :that

(values 4 (value))

values

> 4 ;

> nil

value assign到a b c

(multiple-value-bind (a b c) (values 2 3 5) (+ a b c))

> 10

(multiple-value-bind (a b c) (values 2 3 6 5) (+ a b c))

> 11



# Lambda expression

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- Create a function by a lambda expression:
- (lambda (id1 id2 ...) exp1 exp2 ...)
  - ▣ id1 id2 ... – formal parameters      lambda : 不代表特定function
  - ▣ exp1 exp2 ... – body of the function

➤ (lambda (x) (\* x x))  
function name    引數

No function names  
=> nameless function

- Call a function by applying the evaluated **lambda expression** on its actual parameters

((lambda (x) (\* x x)) 3) => 9  
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the function    the actual parameter

# Function Definition

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- Lambda expression

`(lambda (x) (* x x) )`

Formal parameter : `x`

Function body: `* x x`

- Function application

`(lambda (x) (* x x))`

`> error`

`>((lambda (x) (* x x)) 7)`

`49`

# Lambda function

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- How can you reuse the function?
  - You can't! (since it is nameless)
- What if you REALLY want to reuse it?
  - “defun”

# Function Definition

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- How to define a function? Function可以reuse  
(**defun** <function-name> (<formal-parameters>) <expression>)
- Bind a **name** to a function:  
>(defun square (x) (\* x x) )
- Now call the function  
> (square 5)  
> 25

# Example

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- Design a function to find  $aX^2 + bX + c = 0$  answer.

```
[1]> (defun quadratic-roots (a b c)
      "Returns the roots of a quadratic equation  $aX^2 + bX + c = 0$ "
      (let ((discriminant (- (* b b) (* 4 a c))))
        (values (/ (+ (- b) (sqrt discriminant)) (* 2 a))
                  (/ (- (- b) (sqrt discriminant)) (* 2 a)))))

QUADRATIC-ROOTS
[2]> (quadratic-roots 1 2 1)
-1 ;
-1
```

# Example

- Rewrite a function to find  $aX^2 + bX + c = 0$  answer.

```
(defun quadratic-roots-2 (a b c)
  (let ((num (- (* b b) (* 4 a c)))) ; zero if one root
    (cond ((zerop num) (/ (+ (- b) (sqrt num)) (* 2 a)))
          (t (values (/ (+ (- b) (sqrt num)) (* 2 a))
                      (/ (- (- b) (sqrt num)) (* 2 a))))))
```

If-else {

```
[6]> <quadratic-roots-2 1 -14 49>
7
[7]> <quadratic-roots-2 1 4 -5>
1 ;
-5
```

# Conditions

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- Boolean value true is **T** and false is **NIL**
- Predicates are expressions that evaluate to true or false
- **Numberp** 數語
  - **test** whether argument **is a number**
    - (numberp 9)  
T
    - (numberp 'a)  
NIL

# Some useful predicates

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- `(= x y)` returns true if `x` and `y` are identical.
  - ▣ Or you can write `(equal x y)` or `(eq x y)`
  - ▣ Represents the same **number** or **symbol** or the **same list**.
- For example:
  - ▣ `(equal 6 6)` `=> true`
  - |                              |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <code>&gt;(numberp x)</code> | <code>; is x a number</code>  |
| <code>&gt;(stringp x)</code> | <code>; is x a string?</code> |
| <code>&gt;(listp x)</code>   | <code>; is x a list?</code>   |
| <code>&gt;(symbolp x)</code> | <code>; is x a symbol?</code> |
| <code>&gt;(atom x)</code>    | <code>; is x an atom?</code>  |
| <code>&gt;(null x)</code>    | <code>; is x nil?</code>      |



# Conditional Expressions: IF

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- Conditional expressions come in two forms: `condition` 一定要其中一個符合

(1) `(if P E1 E2)` ; if P then E1 else E2      ? :

(2) `(cond (P1 E1)` ; if P1 then E1  
..... ; ...  
      `(Pk Ek)` ; else if Pk then Ek  
      `(t Ek+1)` ; else Ek+1

# Conditional Expression: IF

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- Example:
  - (if a b c) => b if a is true, else c
  - (if (< 5 6) 1 2) → 1
  - (if (< 4 3) 1 2) → 2
- Anything other than NIL is treated as true:
  - (if 3 4 5) → 4 非nil皆為true
- if is a special form – evaluates its arguments only when needed:
  - (if (= 3 4) 1 (2)) → error
  - (if (= 3 4) 1 '(2)) → (2)
  - (if (= 3 4) 1 (if 5 2 3)) → 2

# Conditional Expression: COND

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- Compare x and y

```
(defun compare (x y)
  (cond ((equal x y) 'numbers-are-the-same)
        ((< x y) 'first-is-smaller)
        ((> x y) 'first-is-bigger)))
```

```
➤ (compare 3 4)
FIRST-IS-SMALLER
```

# Let & defun & cond

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- Example: “guess number”

```
(defun secret-number (number)
  (let ((secret 37))
    (cond ((= number secret) 'True)
          ((< number secret) 'too-low)
          ((> number secret) 'too-high))))
```

# Syntax (C vs. LISP)

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C

中序

1 + 2 + 3

3 + 4 \* 5

factorial (9)

(a == b) && (c != 0)

(low < x) && (x < high)

f (g(2,-1), 7)

LISP

前序

(+ 1 2 3)

(+ 3 (\* 4 5))

定義好的function

(factorial 9)

當operator使用

(and (= a b) (not (= c 0)))

(< low x high)

(f (g 2 -1) 7)

# Example

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C

```
if(a == 0)
    return f(x,y);
else
    return g(x,y);
```

Common LISP

```
(if (= a 0)
    (f x y)
    (g x y))
```

# List manipulation in Lisp

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- Three primitives and one constant

- ▣ get head of list: `car` 取list中第一個element

- ▣ get rest of list: `cdr` 取list中除了第一個element的其餘element

- ▣ add an element to a list: `cons`

- ▣ null list: `nil` or `()`

# List Operations

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- cons – returns a list built from head and tail
  - $(\text{cons 'a '(b c d)}) \rightarrow (a b c d)$
  - $(\text{cons 'a '()}) \rightarrow (a)$
  - $(\text{cons '(a b) '(c d)}) \rightarrow ((a b) c d)$
  - $(\text{cons 'a (cons 'b '())}) \rightarrow (a b)$



# List Operations

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- `car` – returns first member of a list (head)
  - `(car '(a b c d))` → `a`
  - `(car '(a))` → `a`
  - `(car '((a b) c d))` → `(a b)`
  - `(car '(this (is no) more difficult))` → `this`
- `cdr` – returns the list without its first member (tail)
  - `(cdr '(a b c d))` => `(b c d)`
  - `(cdr '(a b))` => `(b)`
  - `(cdr '(a))` => `NIL`
  - `(cdr '(a (b c)))` => `((b c))`

# List Operations

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- `null` – returns `T` if the list is empty,  
returns `NIL` if not empty
  - `(null '())`  
`T`
- `list` – returns a list built from its arguments
  - ▣ `(list 'a 'b 'c) → (a b c)`
  - ▣ `(list '(a b c)) → ((a b c))`
  - ▣ `(list '(a b) '(c d)) → ((a b) (c d))`

# List Operations

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- length – returns the length of a list
  - ▣ (length '(1 3 5 7)) → 4
  - ▣ (length '((a b) c)) → 2
- reverse – returns the list reversed
  - ▣ (reverse '(1 3 5 7)) → (7 5 3 1)
  - ▣ (reverse '((a b) c)) → (c (a b))

# Recursion

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- How do you THINK recursively?
- Example: define factorial

$$\text{factorial}(n) = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots (n-1) * n$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\downarrow} \\ \text{factorial}(n-1)$$

$$\text{factorial}(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 & \text{(the base case)} \\ n * \text{factorial}(n-1) & \text{otherwise} & \text{(inductive step)} \end{cases}$$

# Version 1

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- Example: define a factorial function

```
(defun fact (n)
  (if (= n 0)
      1
      (* n (fact(- n 1 )))))
```

# Version 2: Tail Recursion

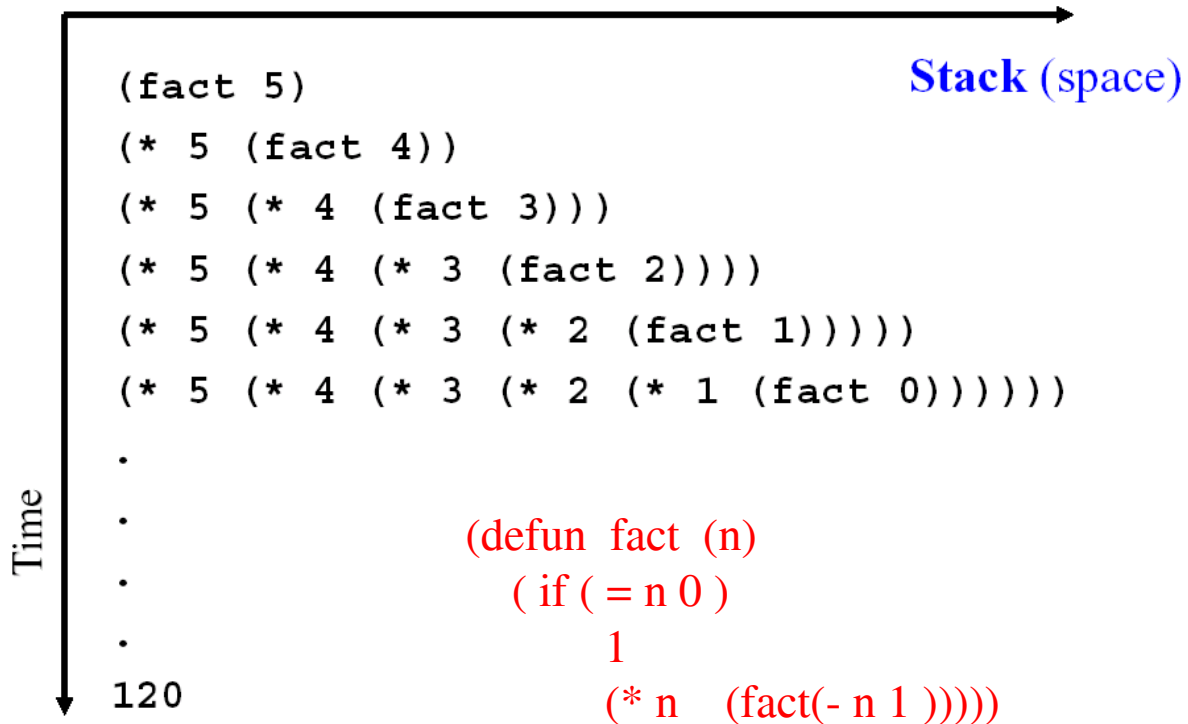
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- a **tail-recursive function** is one in which the **recursive call occurs last**

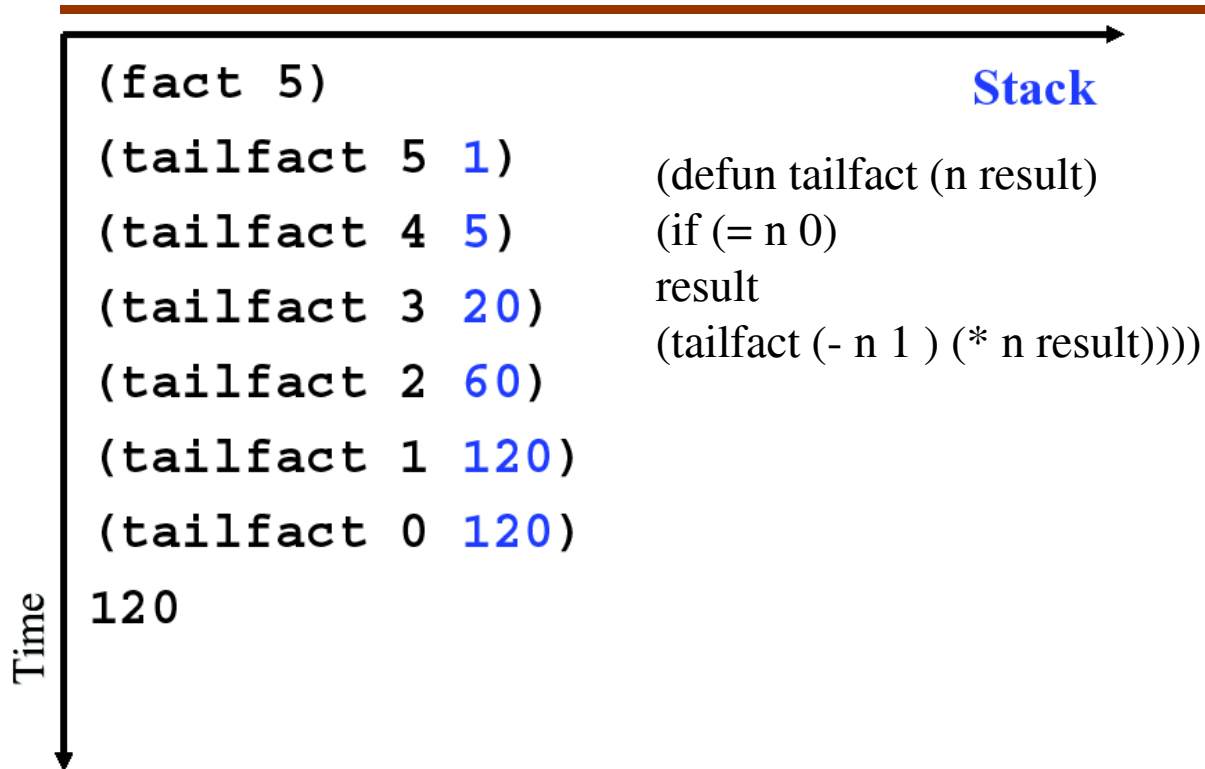
```
(defun tailfact (n result)
  (if (= n 0)
      result
      (tailfact (- n 1) (* n result))))
```

```
(defun fact2 (n)
  (tailfact n 1))
```

# Steps of Version 1



## Steps of Version 2





# Trace in Ver.1 and Ver.2

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## ● Version 1:

```
[41]> <trace fact>  
;; Tracing function FACT.  
<FACT>
```

```
[61]> <fact 5>  
1. Trace: <FACT '5>  
2. Trace: <FACT '4>  
3. Trace: <FACT '3>  
4. Trace: <FACT '2>  
5. Trace: <FACT '1>  
6. Trace: <FACT '0>  
6. Trace: FACT ==> 1  
5. Trace: FACT ==> 1  
4. Trace: FACT ==> 2  
3. Trace: FACT ==> 6  
2. Trace: FACT ==> 24  
1. Trace: FACT ==> 120  
120
```

## Version 2:

```
[51]> <trace fact2>  
;; Tracing function FACT2.  
<FACT2>
```

```
[71]> <fact2 5>  
1. Trace: <FACT2 '5>  
1. Trace: FACT2 ==> 120  
120
```

# How does it work?

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- Tail recursion requires two elements (more than two)
  - ▣ The tail recursive module must terminate with a recursive call that leaves no work on the stack to finish up.
  - ▣ Any storage must be done in the parameter list as opposed to the stack
  - ▣ The interpreter or compiler must be designed to recognize tail recursion and handle it appropriately

# Let's have a look at the three programs

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$$\sum_{k=1}^{100} k = (\text{sum-integers } 1 \ 100)$$

```
(define (sum-integers k n)
  (if (> k n)
      0
      (+ k
         (sum-integers (+ 1 k) n))))
```

$$\sum_{k=1}^{100} k^2 = (\text{sum-squares } 1 \ 100)$$

```
(define (sum-squares k n)
  (if (> k n)
      0
      (+ (square K)
         (sum-squares (+ 1 k) n))))
```

$$\sum_{k=1, \text{odd}}^{101} k^{-2} = (\text{pi-sum } 1 \ 101)$$

```
(define (pi-sum k n)
  (if (> k n)
      0
      (+ (/ 1 (square k))
         (pi-sum (+ k 2) n))))
```

# Recursion

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- Fibonacci:

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

```
(defun fib (n)
  "Simple recursive Fibonacci number function"
  (if (< n 2)
      n
      (+ (fib (- n 1)) (fib (- n 2))))))
```