Objectives

Records

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- Explain the difference between a scalar and a reference.
 - ► Categorize CLOJURE expressions as either scalar or reference.
 - ▶ Draw memory diagrams for scalars and references.
 - ► Critique erroneous memory diagrams.
- ▶ Understand the syntax and semantics of CLOJURE's records.
 - ► Define record types.
 - ▶ Show how to create an instance of a record.
 - ▶ Draw memory diagrams corresponding to CLOJURE code.
 - ▶ Write **CLOJURE** code corresponding to a memory diagram.



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Scalars

- ► A *scalar* is a value that can fit into a single machine word (currently 32 or 64 bits).
- ► Typical scalars: integers, floats
- ► Pretend scalars: keywords, symbols
- ► Memory diagram: put the value in a box.

```
1 (def x 10)
2 (def inPi 3.14)
3 (def foo :hi)
4 (def bar 'you)
```

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inPi 3.14

foo :hi

bar [′]you

Your Turn

► Draw a memory diagram for the following **CLOJURE** code:

```
(def a 12.32)
(def b 'x)
```

► Write CLOJURE code that will produce the following diagram.

a :x

e 2.18

Your Turn

▶ Draw a memory diagram for the following CLOJURE code:

► Write **CLOJURE** code that will produce the following diagram.

Copying

► When a scalar is copied, the second box has the same contents as the first. *The data itself is copied*.

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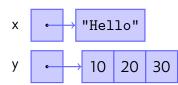
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References

- ► If it's too big to fit in a single word, then we use a reference (sometimes called a pointer) to handle it.
- ► A reference is drawn as an arrow.
- ► Two references are equal if their destinations are the same. The source doesn't count.
- ► Typical references: strings, vectors, hashmaps, records... any compound type.



Examples

- ▶ When references are copied, we create an arrow with the same destination.
- An arrow can only point to a collection as a whole, never an individual element within the collection.

Your Turn 2a

(def c [10 20])

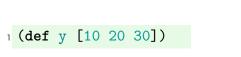
3 (def a [30 b c])

2 (def b c)

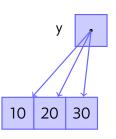
Only one destination!

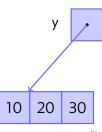
▶ A pointer can only point to one destination at a time!!!

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► RIGHT





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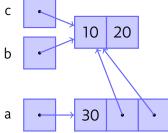
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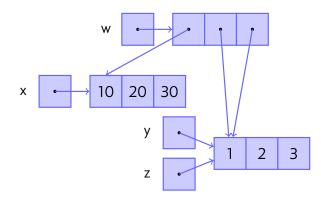
Your Turn 2a

▶ Draw a memory diagram for the following **CLOJURE** code:



Your Turn 2b

► Write CLOJURE code that will produce the following diagram.



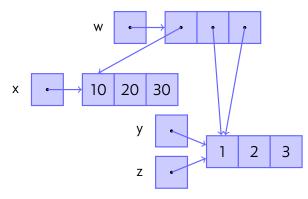
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Defining a Record

Your Turn 2b

► Write **CLOJURE** code that will produce the following diagram.



```
(def x [10 20 30])
2 (def y [1 2 3])
3 (def z y)
4 (def w [x y y])
```

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Example

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- ► Create an instance using the name followed by a dot.
- ► Keywords become field lookup functions, like in hash maps.

(defrecord name [fields*] specs*)

- ► The name can be any legal **CLOJURE** name. We usually capitalize the first letter.
- ► The fields are usually lower case, as other CLOJURE variables.

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- ▶ We will discuss specs in a future lecture.
- ► This creates an actual Java class!

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Equality

```
user> (def p1 (Pair. 10 20))
2 user> (def p2 (Pair. 10 20))
3 user> (def p3 p1)
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                                 р2
                  10
                     20
                                            10
                                               20
       р1
user> (= p1 p2)
2 true
3 user> (= p1 p3)
4 true
s user> (identical? p1 p2)
6 false
r user> (identical? p1 p3)
8 true
```

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► What do you think this code will do?

```
(defrecord Triple [a b c])
(def x (Double. 10 20))
(def y (Double. 30 40))
(def z (Triple. x (:x x) (:y y)))
```

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Examples

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1 (defrecord Triple [a b c])
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```

```
z - 10 20 y - 40
```



