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For a discussion of shallow and deep copy in several languages, please visit the Wikipedia page entitled 'Object Copy'.

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Heap Storage Management

- Reference Counting
 - each heap cell maintains an integer count
 - initialize to 1
 - increment and decrement upon pointer assignment/re-assignment
 - reclaim cell when count reaches 0
 - cannot reclaim circular structures
 - slows down program due to reference mgmt

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Ripple effect when count becomes 0

The diagram shows a vertical stack of four input boxes on the left, labeled from top to bottom: c^1 , b^3 , b^2 , and a^1 . To the right, there are four two-bit boxes representing the sum and carry at each stage. The top box is labeled '1' and has an arrow from c^1 pointing to its left bit. Below it, another box labeled '1' has an arrow from the right bit of the top box pointing to its left bit. Below that, a box labeled '3' has an arrow from the right bit of the second box pointing to its left bit. The bottom box is labeled '2' and has an arrow from the right bit of the third box pointing to its left bit. Additionally, there is a box labeled '1' to the right of the third box, with an arrow from its left bit pointing to the right bit of the third box. A final box labeled '1' is to the right of the bottom box, with an arrow from its left bit pointing to the right bit of the bottom box. This illustrates how a carry-out from the least significant bit ripples through the higher bits, changing the sum and carry at each stage.

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Reference Counting Cannot Reclaim Circular Structures

The diagram illustrates a memory layout and a circular reference structure. On the left, a vertical stack of five memory slots is shown, labeled from top to bottom: c^1 , b^3 , b^2 , b^1 , and a^1 . An arrow points from the c^1 slot to a node labeled '2'. This node is a rectangle divided into two cells. Node '2' has a self-loop arrow on its right cell and an arrow pointing down to another node labeled '1'. Node '1' is also a rectangle divided into two cells. An arrow points from the right cell of node '1' back to the right cell of node '2', forming a cycle. The nodes are labeled '2' and '1' to the left of their respective boxes.

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Heap Storage Management

- Mark-scan Garbage Collection
 - No reference counting
 - When memory runs low, traverse heap objects from stack and mark all reachable objects
 - Sequentially scan memory and reclaim un-marked memory cells
 - Can reclaim circular structures
 - Time taken is inversely proportional to amount of garbage

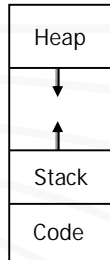
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Stack – Heap Spaces



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Unix limit command

```
nickelback % limit

cputime      unlimited
filesize     unlimited
datasize     unlimited
stacksize    10240 kbytes
coredumpsize 0 kbytes
memoryuse    unlimited
vmemoryuse   unlimited
descriptors  1024
memorylocked 32 kbytes
maxproc      200
```

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How much recursion with 10MB stack?

```
#include <stdio.h>

void recurse() {
    int data[262144];    // 1 MB
    recurse();
}

int main(){
    recurse();
}
```

Can change setting: % unlimit stacksize

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Testing heap allocation

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

typedef struct list {    // will take about 1MB of storage
    int data[262144];
    struct list *next;
} LIST;

int main(){
    while (1) {
        LIST* node = (LIST*) malloc(sizeof(LIST));
        if (node == (LIST*) NULL) {
            printf("Ran out of heap space\n");
            exit(1);
        }
        printf("%d\n", sizeof(LIST));
    }
}
```

Higher-order constructs
can simulate advanced
control structures.

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Iterators

Another Use of Procedure Parameters

Motivation: Modular Iteration over Structured Data

Array traversal:

```
for (i = 1; i <= n; i++) { ... print a[i] ... }
```

Similarly, we would like to do List traversal:

```
foreach x in elements(l) do { ... print x ... }
```

And also Tree traversal:

```
foreach x in elements(t) do { ... s := s + x ... }
```

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Different Tree Traversals

```
foreach x in elements_preorder(t) do {
    ... print x ...
}
foreach x in elements_postorder(t) do {
    ... print x ...
}
foreach x in elements_inorder(t) do {
    ... print x ...
}
```

Two Types of Iterators

- Internal Iterators
 - based upon the 'foreach-do' constructs
 - used in Smalltalk, CLU, ... Python
- External Iterators
 - while (not done(iter)) {
 - next(iter) ... advance(iter) ...
 - used in Java, ...

Iterators: Definition and Use

Defining an Iterator:

- (i) **iterator** result_type name(formals_pars) { iterator_body }
- (ii) **yield** value;
- (iii) **return**;

Using an Iterator:

- (iv) **foreach** control_variable **in** iterator_call **do** foreach_body;
- (v) **exit**;

Defining an Iterator

```
iterator int mystery1() {
    int f1 = 1;
    int f2 = 1;
    yield f1;
    while(true) {
        yield f2;
        (f1, f2) := (f2, f1+f2);
        // Python's parallel assignment
    }
}
```

```
foreach x in mystery1() do { ... print x ... }
```

Defining a List Iterator

```
class List { int val;
            List next; }
```

```
iterator int elements(List l) {
    while(l != nil) {
        yield l.val;
        l := l.next;
    }
}
```

call-by-value
parameter
passing.

Using a List Iterator

```
mystery() {
    List l1, l2;
    ... initialize l1 to '(10 20 30 40) ...

    l2 := nil;
    foreach x in elements(l1) do {
        l2 := cons(x, l2);
    }
}
```

Translating Iterators using Procedure Parameters

main:

```
List l1, l2; ...
l2 := nil;
foreach x in elements(l1) do {
    l2 := cons(x, l2);
}
print l2;
```

```
iterator int elements(List l) {
    while (l != nil) {
        yield l.val;
        l := l.next;
    }
}
```

Goal: We need to replace iterator by a void procedure, and need to find replacements for foreach and yield.

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Translating Iterators using Procedure Parameters

```
thk(int x) {
    l2 := cons(x, l2);
}
```

```
List l1, l2; ...
l2 := nil;
elements(l1) {
    print l2;
}
```

```
elements(List l) {
    while (l != nil) {
        l := l.next;
    }
}
```

thk

thk

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Translated Program

main:

```
List l1, l2;
void thk(int x) {
    l2 := cons(x, l2);
}
l2 := nil;
elements(l1, thk);
print l2;
```

```
void elements(List l, void thk(int)) {
    while (l != nil) do {
        thk(l.val);
        l := l.next;
    }
}
```

l2 is known
by static
scope

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Tree Iterator

```
class Tree { val: int, left: Tree, right: Tree }
```

```
iterator int elements(Tree t) {
    if (null(t)) return;
    else { foreach i:int in elements(t.left) { yield i; }
          yield t.val;
          foreach i:int in elements(t.right) { yield i; }
    }
}
```

Recursive
Iterator!

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In Python Syntax

```
def elements(t):
    if t:
        for x in elements(t.left):
            yield x
        yield t.val
        for x in elements(t.right):
            yield x
```

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Tree Iterator – translation

```
class Tree { val: int, left: Tree, right: Tree }
```

```
void elements(Tree t, void fb(int)) {
    void fb1(int i) { fb(i); }
    void fb2(int i) { fb(i); }
    if (null(t)) return;
    else { elements(t.left, fb1);
          fb(t.val);
          elements(t.right, fb2);
    }
}
```

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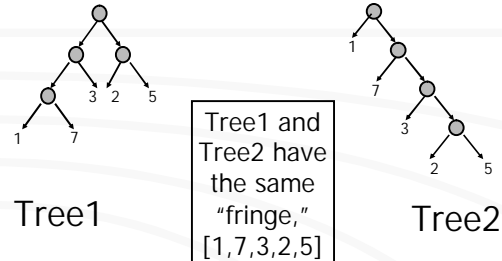
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Tree Iterator – optimized translation

```
class Tree { val: int, left: Tree, right: Tree}

void elements(Tree t, void fb(int)) {
  if (null(t)) return;
  else { elements(t.left, fb);
        fb(t.val);
        elements(t.right, fb);
      }
}
```

Limitations of Iterators – The “Same Fringe” Problem



Iterators vs Coroutines

Internal Iterators

```
foreach x in elements(t) do {
  ...
}
```

External Iterators (Coroutines)

```
e := create elements(t);
while (not done(e)) {
  ... x := resume(e) ...
};
terminate(e);
```

Coroutines

(i) **coroutine** *name(formals_pars)* { *coroutine_body* }

(ii) **suspend**; or **suspend value**;

(iii) **c := create** *name(actual_pars)*;

(iv) **done c**;

(v) **resume c**; or **v := resume c**;

(vi) **terminate(c)**;

Caller

Coroutine Body

Iterators vs Coroutines

Definition

- Iterator must return a value; a coroutine need not.
- Both iterators and coroutines are similar in having parameters and bodies. The yield of an iterator is essentially same as that of a suspend of a coroutine, except that a suspend need not return a value.

Use

- An iterator must be invoked in a foreach statement, which is responsible for creating an instance of the iterator and resuming it after every iteration of the foreach loop.
- Coroutine creation, resumption, and test for completion are de-coupled. Hence coroutines offer more freedom.
- Coroutine helps define an external iterator.

Continuations

- The concept of “continuation” was introduced in the Scheme programming language to capture the current execution point
- We may return to this concept after examining higher-order functions.

Parameter Passing for Structured Types

- The approach for arrays, records, etc. is similar to that of simple types such as int, real, etc.
- Parameters of interest: value, result, value-result, reference.
- Object-binding schemes of interest: quasi-dynamic and fully-dynamic. (Static variables are usually not passed as parameters.)

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Quasi-Dynamic Variables

- type vector = int[100]; ...
type rational = class {int numr, int denr}; ...
- vector x; rational r;
... sort(x); ... normalize(r); ...
- sort(var vector a) { ... }
- normalize(inout rational r) { ... }
- Value, result, value-result involve copying contents.
- Call-by-reference preferred for large arrays.

Quasi-dynamic
Storage Allocation

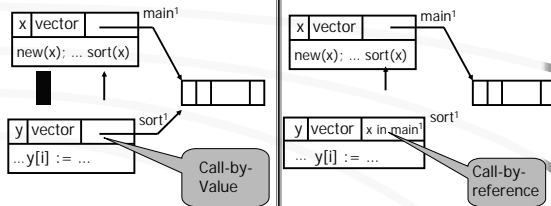
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Fully-Dynamic Variables

- type vector = int[100] ↑; ... vector x;
- sort(vector y) { ... } sort(var vector y) { ... }



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Brief Excursion into Lisp

- Lisp is expression-oriented (or functional) language with good support for list processing.
- Lisp has higher-order functions, i.e., function parameters.
- Common Lisp uses static scoping.
- Common Lisp has a rich collection of primitives, and advanced features: objects, packages, and meta-level constructs.

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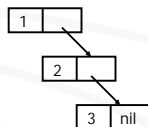
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Lisp uses cons for building lists

e.g. `cons(3, nil)`



e.g. `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, nil)))`



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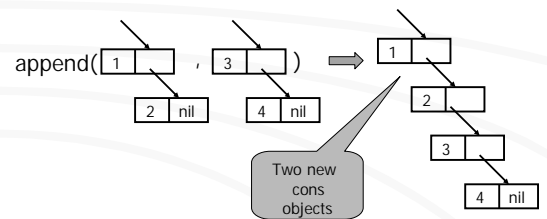
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List Concatenation

`append(cons(1, cons(2, nil)) , cons(3, cons(4, nil)))`

⇒ `cons(1, cons(2, cons(3, cons(4, nil))))`



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Definition of append

```
List append(List l1, l2) {
    if (l1 == nil) return l2;
    else return cons(l1.val,
                    append(l1.next, l2));
}
```

```
class List { int val; List next; }
```

Lisp's "Cambridge Prefix" syntax

$f(x, y, z)$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Lisp syntax}}$ $(f\ x\ y\ z)$

$\text{cons}(3, \text{nil})$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Lisp syntax}}$ $(\text{cons}\ 3\ \text{nil})$

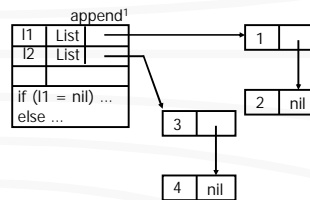
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Defining append in Lisp

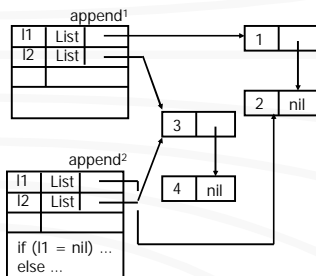
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}
```

```
(defun append (l1 l2)
  (if (null l1)
      l2
      (cons (first l1)
            (append (rest l1) l2))))
```

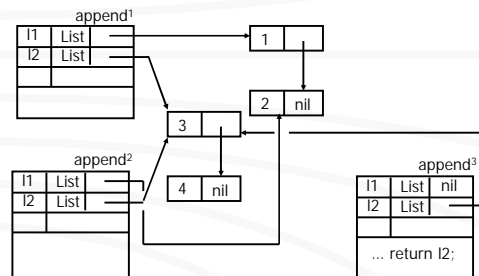
Execution of append



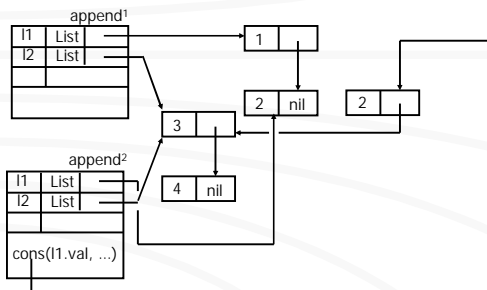
Execution of append (cont'd)



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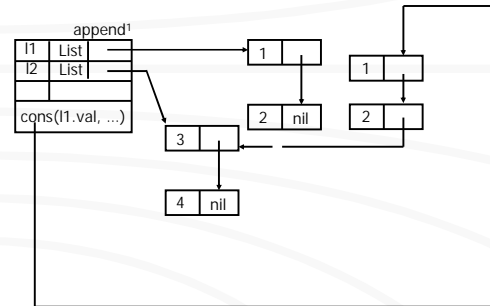


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Execution of append (cont'd)

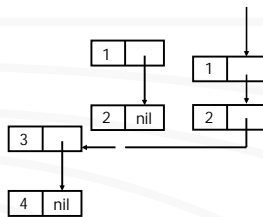


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End of execution of append



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Observations on Lisp

- Weakly typed language. This is legal:

```
(append '(1 2) '(3 4))
(append '(apple orange grape) '(pear))
(append '(1 2.5) '(3 banana))
```

- Literal constants for lists:

```
`(1 2)
'(apple orange grape)
...
```

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Observations on Lisp (cont'd)

Lisp is an expression-oriented language:

```
(append '(apple orange) '(grape peach))
→ (cons 'apple (append '(orange) '(grape peach)))
→ (cons 'apple (cons 'orange (append nil '(grape peach))))
→ (cons 'apple (cons 'orange '(grape peach)))
→ '(apple orange grape peach)
```

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Higher Order Functions in Lisp

```
(defun map (F L)
  (if (null L)
      nil
      (cons (funcall F (first L))
            (map F (rest L)))
  ))
```

```
> (map #'sqrt '(1 4 9 16 25))
(1.0 2.0 3.0 4.0 5.0)
```

```
> (map (lambda (x) (+ x 1)) '(1 2 3 4 5))
(2 3 4 5 6)
```

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Higher Order Functions in Lisp

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```

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Functions as results (Python)

```
def linear(a, b):
    def f(x):
        return a*x + b
    return f
```

The function `linear` returns another function (`f`), which when applied to argument (`for x`) will compute the result `a*x + b`.

Using `linear`:

```
g = linear(3, 4);
print g(10);
```

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Functions as results (ML)

```
fun map(f) =
  let g(l) = if null(l) then []
             else cons(f(first(l)), g(rest(l)))
  in g
  end;
fun square(x) = x*x;
fun cube(x) = x*x*x;
...
val h = map(cube);
...
... h([1,2,3,4,5]) ...
```

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Functions as results (Javascript)

```
<SCRIPT language="JavaScript">
var map = function(f){
    return function(a) {
        var b = new Array();
        for( var i=0; i <= a.length; i++ )
            { b[i] = f(a[i]); }
        return b;
    };
};

var nums = [1,2,3,4,5];
var square = map( function(x){return x*x; } );
var answer = square(nums);

for( var i=0; i <= answer.length; i++ )
    { document.write(answer[i] + ' '); }

</SCRIPT>
```

Functions as results (Javascript)

```
<SCRIPT language="JavaScript">

var double = function(x) { return x*2; }
var halve = function(x) { return x/2; }
var triple = function(x) { return 3*x; }

var comp = function(f){
    return function(g){
        return function(x){ return f(g(x)); }
    };
};

var f1 = comp(triple);
var f2 = f1(halve);
var f3 = f1(double);

document.write('comp(triple)(halve)(10) = ' + f2(10) + '<br><br>');

</SCRIPT>
```

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Lambda Calculus

Expressions are made of variables, abstractions, and applications:

```
Expr ::= Var |
        Var . Expr |
        (Expr Expr)
```



Alonzo Church
(1903-95)

Church visits Buffalo

- Alonzo Church visited Buffalo in May 1990 to receive an Honorary Doctorate
- One-day celebration in honor of his visit
- He gave a lecture on “A Theory of the Meaning of Names”
- Many of his PhD students – now famous scientists in their own right – also attended.

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Examples of lambda terms

- $x . x$
- $f . x . x$
- $f . x . (f (f x))$
- $f . g . x . (f (g x))$
- ...

Resemble “anonymous functions”

Relation to Functions

-Calculus: $f . x . (f (f x))$

Lisp: `(lambda (f) (lambda (x) (f (f x))))`

Javascript:

```
function f {return
  function (x) { f(f(x)); }
}
```

Computation = β -Reduction

$((f . x . (f (f x))) x . x) a$

$\Rightarrow (x . (x . x (x . x x)) a)$

$\Rightarrow (x . x (x . x a))$

$\Rightarrow (x . x a)$

$\Rightarrow a$

Another β -Reduction

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Yet Another β -Reduction

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$\Rightarrow (x . (x . x (x . x x)) a)$

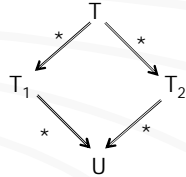
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$\Rightarrow a$

Confluence Property

"If a lambda term T reduces to two terms T_1 and T_2 , then T_1 and T_2 can be reduced to a common term U ."



Normal Form

If a term T reduces to a term U , and U cannot be reduced any further (by β -reduction), then U is said to be in normal form.

Normal Form: "The normal form of a term is unique (up to renaming of bound variables), if the normal form exists."

Renaming bound variables:

$$\lambda x. x = \lambda y. y$$

$$\lambda f. \lambda x. (f x) = \lambda g. \lambda y. (g y)$$

Nontermination is Possible!

$$(\lambda x. (x x) \quad \lambda x. (x x))$$

\Rightarrow

$$(\lambda x. (x x) \quad \lambda x. (x x))$$

\Rightarrow

$$(\lambda x. (x x) \quad \lambda x. (x x))$$

\Rightarrow

...