Scheme Notes 03

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  (lambda (a b)
     (define loop
        (lambda (b product)
          (if (zero? b)
               product
                (loop (- b 1) (* a product)) )))
     (loop b 1)))
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Named let

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        (if (zero? b)
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(define pow-iter-2
  (lambda (a b)
    (let loop ((b b) (product 1))
      (if (zero? b)
          product
          (loop (- b 1) (* a product))))))
```

Fast recursion

$$a^b = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 1 & ext{if } b=0 \ (a^{b/2})^2 & ext{if } b ext{ is even} \ a(a^{b-1}) & ext{otherwise} \end{array}
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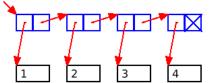
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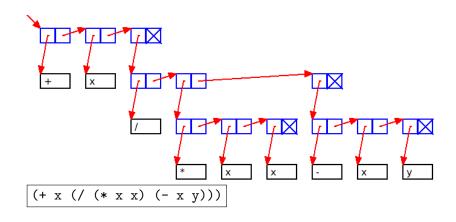
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Scheme uses:

- 1. the null pointer for the empty list, and
- 2. a cons cell of two pointers for a non-empty list.
- 3. The first pointer in a cons cell is called car.
- 4. The second pointer in a cons cell is called **cdr**.
- 5. The empty list has predicate empty?.



Scheme Programs are Lists



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- 5. Using quote: $(4 7 2) \Rightarrow (4 7 2)$

$$(+ 4 7 2) \Rightarrow (+ 4 7 2)$$

$$(a b c) \Rightarrow (a b c)$$

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 error

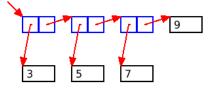
$$(+ 4 7 2) \Rightarrow 13$$

'(list (+ 2 2) 7 2)
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$$\Rightarrow$$
 (4 7 2)

An improper list results in a dot:

- $(cons 4 8) \Rightarrow (4 . 8)$
- (cons 3 (cons 5 (cons 7 9))) \Rightarrow (3 5 7 . 9)
- Run boxarrow.rkt for pictures.



length

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```
(define (length lst)
  (if (empty? lst)
     0
      (+ 1 (length (cdr lst)))))
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nth

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last

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scale-list

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map

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scale-list using map

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(define (scale-list lst n)
  (map lst (lambda (x) (* n x))))
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increment-list using map

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(define (increment-list lst)
  (map lst (lambda (x) (+ x 1))))
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${\sf append}$

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remove

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