

Control Abstraction

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1 Subprogram Definition

2 Subprogram Mechanisms

- Simple Call Return
- Recursive Call
- Exception

3 Parameter Passing

4 Higher-order Functions

Subprogram definition consists of:

- **Specification**

- Subprogram name
- Parameters
 - input + output
 - order
 - type
 - parameter passing mechanisms: by value, by reference, by name,...
- Behaviour of the subprogram

- **Implementation:**

- Local data
- Collection of statements as **subprogram body**

```
def apply(interval: Int ,
           repeats: Boolean = true)
  (op: => Unit) {
  val timeOut = new javax.swing.AbstractAction() {
    def actionPerformed
      (e: java.awt.event.ActionEvent) = op
  }
  val t = new javax.swing.Timer(interval , timeOut)
  t.setRepeats(repeats)
  t.start()
}
```

- ❶ How many subprogram definitions are there in the above code?
- ❷ How many parameters are there in each subprogram definition?

An activation of a subprogram:

- is created when the subprogram is invoked
- is destroyed when the subprogram completed its execution

An activation includes

- Static part: Code segment
- Dynamic part: Activation record
 - formal parameters
 - local data
 - return address
 - other links

- Simple Call-Return
- Recursive Call
- Exception Processing Handler
- Coroutines
- Scheduled Subprograms
- Tasks

Basic Features

- No recursion
- Explicit Call Site
- Single Entry Point
- Immediate Control Passing
- Single Execution

- Be able to call recursive
 - Direct Recursive Call
 - Indirect Recursive Call (Mutual Recursive)
- Other features same as Simple Call-Return

- May have no explicit call site
- Used in
 - Event-Driven Programming
 - Error Handler

Example,

```
class EmptyExcp extends Throwable {int x=0;};

int average(int [] V) throws EmptyExcp(){
    if (length(V)==0) throw new EmptyExcp();
    else ...
};
...
try {...
    average(W);
    ...
}
catch (EmptyExcp e) {write("Array empty"); }
```

A language must specify:

- *which* exceptions can be handled and *how* they can be defined
- *how* an exception can be raised
- *how* an exception can be handled

- Java: subclass of *Throwable*
- Ada: values of a special type
- C++: any value

Raising exception

- By user interaction
(Click, MouseMove, TextChange, ...)
- By operating system
- By an object (Timer)
- By programmer (throw)

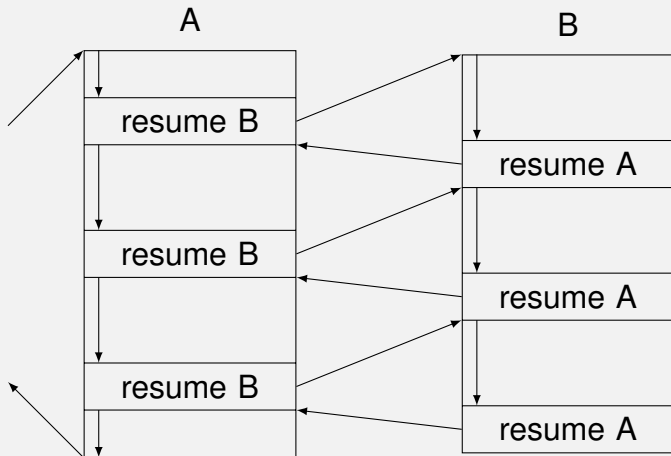
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}  
Timer(2000) { println("Timer went off") }  
Timer(10000, false) { println("10 seconds are over!") }
```

- Define *the protected block* to intercept the exception for being handled
- Define exception handler associated with the protected block

Termination Semantic

- non-resumable (common) + stack unwinding
- resumable
 - at the statement causing the error
 - after the statement causing the error

A coroutine may postpone its execution and control is back to caller. Its execution later is resumed at the place it postponed.



- able to execute concurrently with other tasks
- run on multi-processor machine or
- single processor machine using time sharing

Issue?

- Synchronization
 - Race condition
 - Deadlock
- Communication


```
val pa = (0 until 10000).toArray.par  
  
pa.map(_ + 1)  
  
pa.map { v => if (v % 2 == 0) v else -v }  
  
pa.fold(0) { _ + _ }  
  
var a = 0  
  
pa foreach { a += _ }
```

- The execution of callee is NOT started when it is invoked
 - scheduled by time
CALL A AT TIME = CURRENT_TIME + 10
 - scheduled by priority
CALL B WITH PRIORITY 7
- Controlled by a scheduler

Definition

- Formal parameters: `int foo(float x, bool& y);`
 - just a simple name
 - close to a variable declaration
 - combine with symbols relating to parameter passing mechanism
- Actual parameters/Arguments: `foo(4*a, b)`
 - an expression

Formal-Actual Corresponding

- by position
`int foo(float a, int b) \Leftarrow foo(x+1, y-2)`
- by name
`int foo(float a, int b) \Leftarrow foo(b = x+1, a = y-2)`

- Input-Output
 - By value-result
 - By reference
 - By name
- Input Only
 - By value
 - By constant reference
- Output Only
 - By result
 - As a result of a function

- Pass by value-result

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caller

a

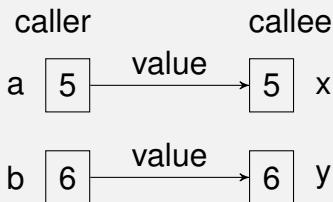
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- Pass by value-result

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int findMax(**int** x,**int** y) {...}

caller

callee

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 x

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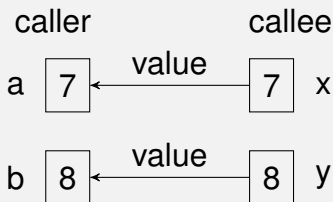
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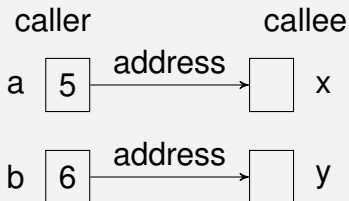
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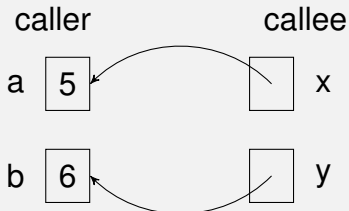
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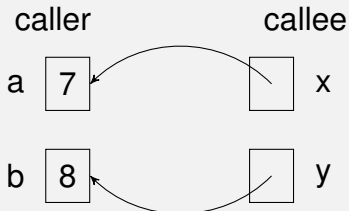
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- Pass by value

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caller

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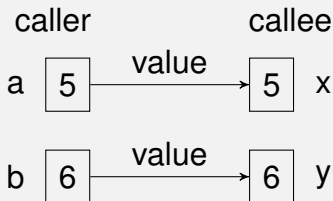
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caller

a 5

b 6

callee

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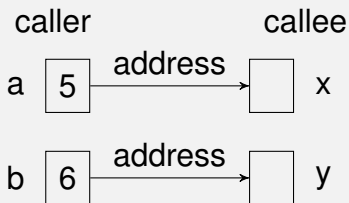
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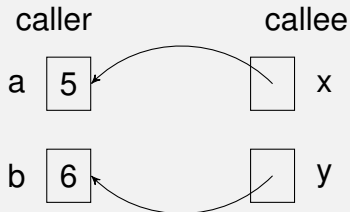


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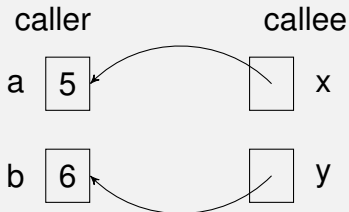


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- Pass by result
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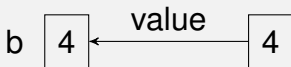
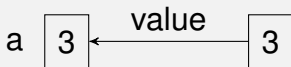
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          int(*compar)(const void *, const void *));
```

```
int
```

```
int_sorter(const void *first_arg, const void *second_arg)  
    int first = *(int*)first_arg;  
    int second = *(int*)second_arg;  
    if (first < second) return -1;  
    else if (first == second) return 0;  
    else return 1;  
}
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int main() {  
    int array[10], i;  
    /* fill array */  
    for ( i = 0; i < 10; ++i )  
        array[i] = 10 - i;  
    qsort(array, 10, sizeof(int), int_sorter);  
    for (i = 0; i < 10; ++i)  
        printf ("%d\n", array[i]);  
}
```

What is non-local environment?

- Deep binding
- Shallow binding

Example, Static scope: $z = 6$

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int f(int y){ return x+y; }

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Example in Scala

```
object FileMatcher {  
  private def filesHere =  
    (new java.io.File(".")).listFiles  
  
  def filesEnding(query: String) =  
    for (file <- filesHere;  
        if file.getName.endsWith(query))  
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  def filesContaining(query: String) =  
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      if matcher(file.getName, query))  
      yield file  
  }  
  
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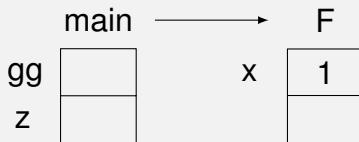


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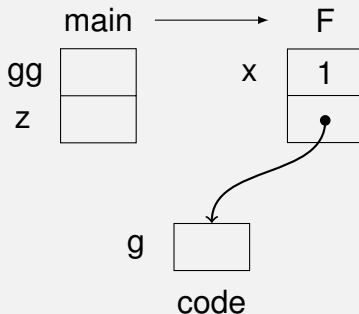


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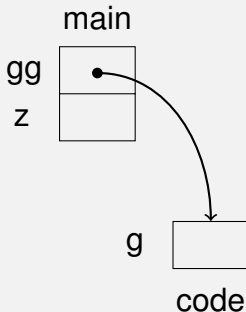


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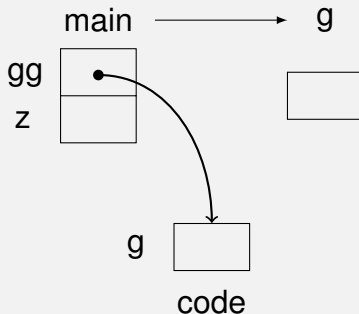


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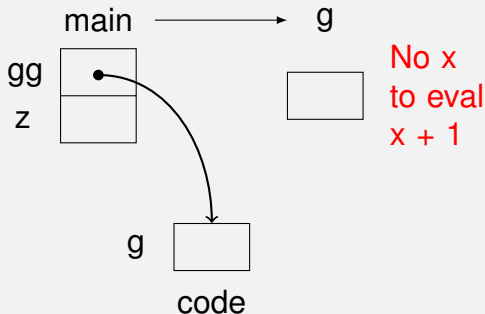


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