# Lecture 10 – Mutable Data Structures

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- 1 box creation (Box)
- **2** box operations: content getter (get) and setter (set)
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# Concrete Syntax



```
// expressions

<expr> ::= ...
| "Box" "(" <expr> ")"
| <expr> "." "get"
| <expr> "." "set" "(" <expr> ")"
| <expr> ";" <expr>
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# Abstract Syntax



# Let's define the **abstract syntax** of BFAE in BNF:

```
enum Expr:
...
// box creation
case NewBox(expr: Expr)
// box content getter
case GetBox(box: Expr)
// box content setter
case SetBox(box: Expr, expr: Expr)
// sequence
case Seq(left: Expr, right: Expr)
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and 2) define the **natural semantics** with environments and **memories** by passing the updated memory in the result:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \sigma, M \vdash e \Rightarrow v, M \\ \hline \text{Addresses} & a \in \mathbb{A} & (\texttt{Addr}) \\ \hline \text{Memories} & M \in \mathbb{A} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{fin}} \mathbb{V} & (\texttt{Mem}) \\ \hline \text{Values} & \mathbb{V} \ni v ::= \dots \mid a & (\texttt{BoxV}) \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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```
/* BFAE */
val x = Box(5);
{ x.set(8); 2 } + x.get; // 2 + 8 = 10 -- NOT 2 + 5 = 7
```

## Box Creation



```
def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
    ...
    case NewBox(c) =>
      val (cv, cmem) = interp(c, env, mem)
    val addr = malloc(cmem)
      (BoxV(addr), cmem + (addr -> cv))
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One way to implement malloc is to find the maximum address in the memory and increment it by one, 0 if the memory is empty:

```
def malloc(mem: Mem): Addr = mem.keySet.maxOption.fold(0)(_ + 1)
```

### Box Content Getter



```
def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
    ...
    case GetBox(b) =>
      val (bv, bmem) = interp(b, env, mem)
      bv match
      case BoxV(addr) => (bmem(addr), bmem)
      case _ => error(s"not a box: ${bv.str}")
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# Sequence



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def interp(expr: Expr, env: Env, mem: Mem): (Value, Mem) = expr match
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    case Seq(1, r) =>
      val (_, lmem) = interp(1, env, mem)
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## Exercise #6



#### https://github.com/ku-plrg-classroom/docs/tree/main/cose212/bfae

- Please see above document on GitHub:
  - Implement interp function.
- It is just an exercise, and you don't need to submit anything.
- However, some exam questions might be related to this exercise.

## Next Lecture



Mutable Variables

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