

Data Abstraction

CS510

Data Abstraction in Scheme

An Extended Example: Environments

Abstract Data Types

A data type that supports **data abstraction**

- ▶ **Data abstraction**: division of a data type into
 1. an interface
 2. an implementation
- ▶ **Hidden Representation Principle**: all access to the datatype implementation can only be performed through the interface
- ▶ This separation induces the capacity to modify the implementation without changing the code where the data type is used

Inductive Sets as ADTs¹

- ▶ Inductive sets may be seen as ADTs
- ▶ We may assume that they come equipped with the basic interface consisting of operations for:
 - ▶ constructing an element
 - ▶ testing whether an element belongs to the set
 - ▶ projecting the components of a composite element
- ▶ We'll next present an abstraction for representing these ADTs in Scheme
- ▶ This improves over last class' representation of inductive types in terms of pairs, lists, etc.
 - ▶ That representation did not respect the Hidden Representation Principle

¹For this class, add `(require eopl/eopl)` just after `"#lang racket"`

Primary Colors using `define-datatype`

$\overline{Red \in PCol}$

$\overline{Green \in PCol}$

$\overline{Blue \in PCol}$

- ▶ To represent it in Scheme we need:
 - ▶ `constructors` to build each color
 - ▶ `predicate` to test if a value is a representation of a color
 - ▶ observer to determine which color a value denotes (next slide)

```
1 (define-datatype primColor primColor?  
2   (red)  
3   (green)  
4   (blue))
```

- ▶ Data types defined like this are also called `variant records`

Primary Colors using `define-datatype`

```
1 (define-datatype primColor primColor?  
2     (red)  
3     (green)  
4     (blue))
```

The declaration creates a datatype with interface:

- ▶ `red`:
 - ▶ 0 argument procedure for constructing color red.
- ▶ `green`:
 - ▶ 0 argument procedure for constructing color green.
- ▶ `blue`:
 - ▶ 0 argument procedure for constructing color blue.
- ▶ `primColor?`:
 - ▶ 1 argument predicate that only returns true if the value given is red, green or blue.
- ▶ Each constructor `red`, `green` and `blue` represents a variant of a `primColor`

define-datatype and cases

```
1 (define-datatype primColor primColor?  
2   (red)  
3   (green)  
4   (blue))
```

- ▶ Note difference between `red` and `(red)`
- ▶ Constructors are procedures

```
1 > red  
2 #<procedure:red>  
3 > (red)  
4 #(struct:red)
```

Defining Functions Over Inductive Sets

```
1 (define nextPrimColor
2   (lambda (pcolor)
3     (cases primColor pcolor
4       (red ()) (green))
5       (green ()) (blue))
6       (blue ()) (red))
7       (else (error "bad primary color")))))
```

- Note the use of the `cases` construct

Another Example

$$\frac{s \in S}{\text{leaf}(s) \in BTree(S)}$$

$$\frac{l \in BTree(S) \quad r \in BTree(S)}{\text{node}(l, r) \in BTree(S)}$$

```
1 (define-datatype binTree binTree?
2   (leaf-node
3     (datum number?))
4   (interior-node
5     (left binTree?)
6     (right binTree?)))
```

A binTree is either:

- ▶ a leaf-node or
- ▶ an interior-node

Binary trees using `define-datatype`

```
1 (define-datatype binTree binTree?
2   (leaf-node
3     (datum number?))
4   (interior-node
5     (left binTree?)
6     (right binTree?)))
```

The declaration creates a datatype with interface:

- ▶ a leaf-node:
 - ▶ 1 argument procedure for constructing a leaf-node.
 - ▶ this procedure tests if the argument is a number.
- ▶ an interior-node:
 - ▶ 2 argument procedure for constructing an interior-node.
- ▶ binTree?:
 - ▶ 1 argument predicate that only returns true if the value given is a leaf-node or an interior-node.

Computer the sum of the nodes in a tree

```
1 (define-datatype binTree binTree?
2   (leaf-node
3     (datum number?))
4   (interior-node
5     (left binTree?)
6     (right binTree?)))
7
8 ;; binTree -> num
9 (define leaf-sum
10  (lambda (tree)
11    (cases binTree tree
12      (leaf-node (datum) datum)
13      (interior-node (left right)
14        (+ (leaf-sum left) (leaf-sum right))))))
```

Recursion Template

```
1 ;; binTree -> ???  
2 (define binTree-proc  
3   (lambda (t)  
4     (cases t tree  
5       (leaf-node (datum) ...)  
6       (interior-node (left right)  
7         ... (binTree-proc left) ...  
8         ... (binTree-proc right) ...))))
```

Exercise

- Using this template write the procedure `binTree-flip` that produces a mirror image of a given `binTree t`

```
1 >(binTree-flip (interior-node
2                 (leaf-node 3)
3                 (interior-node
4                 (leaf-node 7)
5                 (leaf-node 10))))
6
7 (interior-node
8   (interior-node (leaf-node 10) (leaf-node 7))
9   (leaf-node 3))
10
11 >(binTree-flip (leaf-node 3))
12 (leaf-node 3)
```

Data Abstraction in Scheme

An Extended Example: Environments

Another Data Abstraction Example: Environments

- ▶ An **environment** is a finite function f that associates each symbol in a finite set with a value
- ▶ An example:

$$f(d) = 6$$

$$f(x) = 7$$

$$f(y) = 8$$

Environments as an Inductive Set

$$\frac{}{\text{empty-env} \in Env}$$

$$\frac{\text{symbols} \in List(Symbol) \quad \text{values} \in List(Values) \quad \text{env} \in Env}{\text{extend-env symbols values env} \in Env}$$

Environment as a function:

$$f(d) = 6, f(x) = 7, f(y) = 8$$

Environment as element of Env :

$$\text{extend-env}'(d \ x)'(6 \ 7) (\text{extend-env}'(y)'(8) \text{empty-env}))$$

Defining Environments

- ▶ In order to define the environments ADT we have to provide:
 1. an interface
 2. an implementation
- ▶ We shall see two implementations
 1. In terms of the `define-datatype` construction (variant records)
 2. In terms of functions
- ▶ Before proceeding, a quick word on the `let` construct

Local Variable Declaration

- ▶ `let` allows us to provide **local definitions**

```
1 > (let ((x 2) (y 3))  
2       (+ y x))  
3 5
```

- ▶ `x` is declared to have value 2 and `y` value 3
- ▶ These variables are local in the sense that they may only be referenced inside the body of the `let` expression
 - ▶ The body of the `let` is the **scope** of the variables
- ▶ The names of the variables is irrelevant; Eg. an equivalent expression is

```
1 > (let ((u 2) (v 3))  
2       (+ u v))  
3 5
```

Implementation based on Variant Records

```
1 (define-datatype environment environment?
2   (empty-env-record)
3   (extended-env-record
4     (syms (list-of symbol?))
5     (vals (list-of scheme-value?))
6     (env environment?)))
7
8 (define scheme-value? (lambda (v) #t))
```

► Two constructors

- empty-env-record: constructs an empty environment
- extended-env-record: extends a previous environment with a new association pair

Operations that use the Variant Record representation

Constructing an empty environment

```
1 ;; {} -> environment
2 (define empty-env
3   (lambda ()
4     (empty-env-record)))
```

- ▶ `environment?` is the name of a new type, so we can use it in a type expression (we drop the question mark though)

Operations that use the Variant Record representation

Extending an environment with new associations

```
1 ;; { [sym],[scheme-value?],environment } ->  
   environment  
2 (define extend-env  
3   (lambda (syms vals env)  
4     (extended-env-record syms vals env)))
```

Note: `sym` is our type expression for `symbol?`, just like we use `num` for `number?`

Operations that use the Variant Record representation

Using environments to lookup the value of a symbol

```
1 ;; { environment, sym } -> scheme-value
2 (define apply-env
3   (lambda (env sym)
4     (cases environment env
5       (empty-env-record ()
6         (error 'apply-env "No binding for ~s" sym))
7       (extended-env-record (syms vals env)
8         (let ((pos (list-find-position sym syms)))
9           (if (>= pos 0)
10             (list-ref vals pos)
11             (apply-env env sym))))
12     )))
```

- ▶ The auxiliary operation `list-find-position` is defined in the next slide

Auxiliary Operations

```
1 ;; {a, [a]} -> bool
2 (define list-find-position
3   (lambda (sym los)
4     (list-index
5       (lambda (sym1) (eqv? sym1 sym)) los)))
6
7 ;; {(a -> bool), [a]} -> num
8 (define list-index
9   (lambda (pred ls)
10    (cond
11      ((null? ls) -1)
12      ((pred (car ls)) 0)
13      (else (let ((list-index-r
14                    (list-index pred (cdr ls))))
15                (if (>= list-index-r 0)
16                    (+ list-index-r 1)
17                    -1)
18                )
19      )
20    ))))
```

Functional Representation

- ▶ We now consider an alternative representation of environments
- ▶ It is based on functions
- ▶ Encoding datatypes in terms of functions is an interesting exercise
- ▶ We shall have two kinds of functions:
 - ▶ those that represent operations on environments
 - ▶ those that represent environments themselves
 - ▶ empty environment
 - ▶ extending environment

Functional Representation

```
1 ;; {} -> (sym -> scheme-value)
2 define empty-env
3   (lambda ()
4     (lambda (sym)
5       (error 'apply-env "No binding for ~s" sym))))
```

- ▶ empty-env constructs an empty environment
- ▶ Its not an empty environment itself

Functional Representation

```
1 ;; { [sym],[scheme-value],(sym->scheme-value) } ->  
   (sym -> scheme-value)  
2 (define extend-env  
3   (lambda (syms vals env)  
4     (lambda (sym)  
5       (let ((pos (list-find-position sym syms)))  
6         (if (>= pos 0)  
7             (list-ref vals pos)  
8             (apply-env env sym)))))))
```

- ▶ extend-env constructs a new environment
- ▶ Eg. (extend-env '(x y) '(1 2) (empty-env))

Functional Representation

```
1 ;; { sym -> scheme-value, sym } -> scheme-value  
2 (define apply-env  
3   (lambda (env sym)  
4     (env sym)))
```

For example,

```
1 > ((extend-env '(x y) '(1 2) (empty-env)) 'x)  
2 1  
3 > ((extend-env '(x y) '(1 2) (empty-env)) 'z)  
4 apply-env: No binding for z
```

Summary

- ▶ Variant record for encoding inductive sets in Scheme
 - ▶ Preferred over previous encodings seen in class since Hidden Representation Principle is upheld
- ▶ We saw various examples of variant records including trees and environments
- ▶ For environments we also presented an encoding in terms of functions