

Abstracting Control Structures to Control the Application Flow



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Imperative Control Structure

```
List<Product> products = order.getProducts();  
Double discount = 0.0;  
for (Product p : products) {  
    if (this.isGiftProduct(p)) {  
        discount = p.getPrice();  
        break;  
    }  
}
```



Using High-order Functions

```
List<Product> products = order.getProducts();  
Double discount = products.stream()  
    .filter(this::isGiftProduct)  
    .map(Product::getPrice)  
    .findFirst()  
    .orElse(0.0);
```



Using High-order Functions and Ternary Operator

```
List<Product> products = order.getProducts();  
Double discount = products.stream()  
    .mapToDouble(p -> this.isGiftProduct(p)  
        ? p.getPrice() * 0.5  
        : p.getPrice())  
    .average()  
    .orElse(0.0);
```



```
if (isGiftProduct(p)) {  
    return p.getPrice() * 0.5;  
} else {  
    return p.getPrice();  
}
```



```
Function<Product, Double> price = p -> {  
    if (isGiftProduct(p)) {  
        return p.getPrice() * 0.5;  
    } else {  
        return p.getPrice();  
    }  
}
```



The Optional Type

Value?



optionalElement

```
.ifPresent(val -> doSomethingWithValue(val)),  
.orElseGet(() -> doSomethingElse());
```



You Have to Decide if It Is Worth the Effort



Does this make the code more
readable?

Is this an over-engineered
implementation?



Using Recursion Instead of Loops



Loops Iterate over Lists

This is a list from 1 to 10



```
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
    // ...  
}
```



Whatever you can do with
recursion, you can also
do it with iteration,
and vice versa.



head tail

[1 2 3 4]

1 + [2 3 4]



head tail

[1 2 3 4]

1 + [2 3 4]

2 + [3 4]



head tail

[1 2 3 4]

1 + [2 3 4]

2 + [3 4]

3 + [4]



head tail

[1 2 3 4]

1 + [2 3 4]

2 + [3 4]

3 + [4]

4 + []

Sum is zero



Honoring Immutability



Extracting a new list from the old list



Calculating a new total



`sum ([1, 2, 3, 4])`

`1 + sum ([2, 3, 4])`

`1 + (2 + sum ([3, 4]))`

`1 + (2 + (3 + sum ([4])))`

`1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + sum ([]))))`

`1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + 0)))`

`1 + (2 + (3 + 4))`

`1 + (2 + 7)`

`1 + 9`

`10`



sum ([1, 2, 3, 4])

1 + sum ([2, 3, 4])

1 + (2 + sum ([3, 4]))

1 + (2 + (3 + sum ([4])))

1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + sum ([]))))

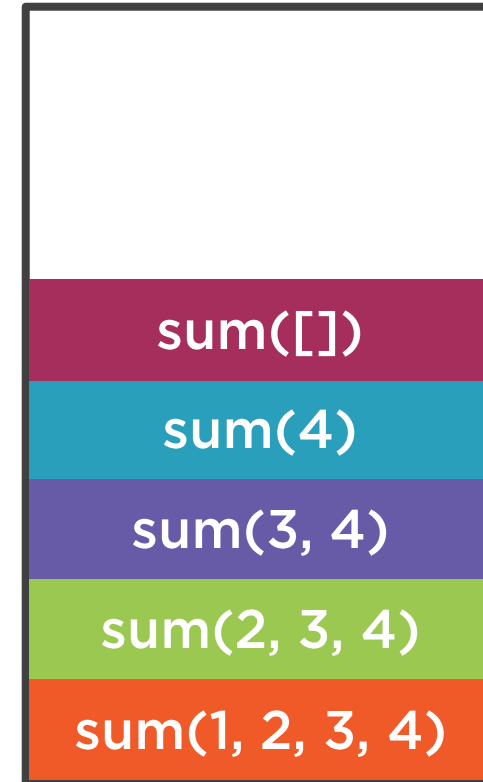
1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + 0)))

1 + (2 + (3 + 4))

1 + (2 + 7)

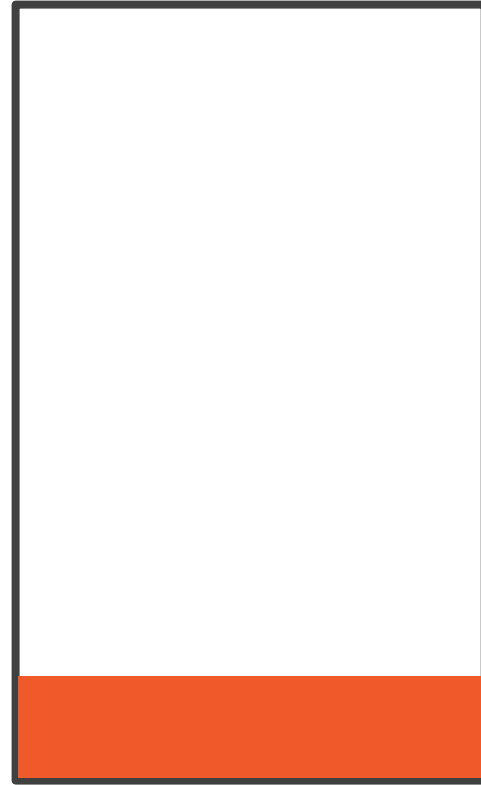
1 + 9

10



Stack





Stack





Stack



Stack overflow



Tail Recursion



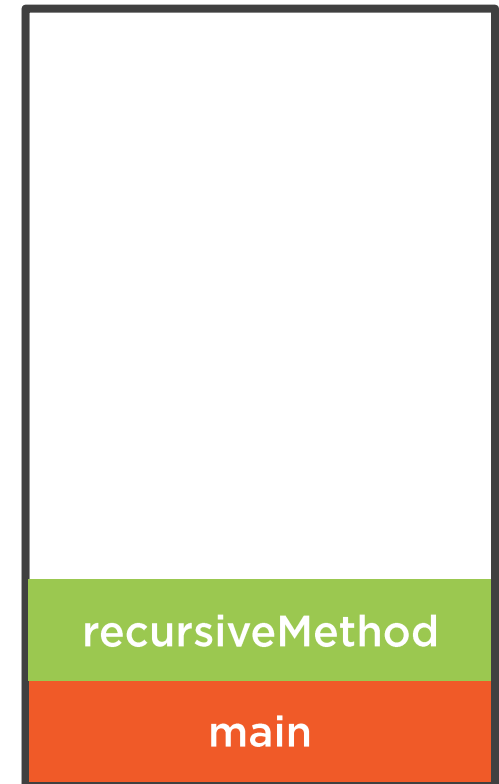
```
int recursiveMethod(int i) {  
    // ...  
    return recursiveMethod(j);  
}
```

.....
.....▶ Nothing to execute



Tail Recursion

```
public static void main(String args[]) {  
    // ...  
    int result = recursiveMethod(3);  
    // ...  
}  
  
int recursiveMethod(int i) {  
    // ...  
}
```



Stack



Tail-Recursive Function

sum ([1, 2, 3, 4], 0)

sum ([2, 3, 4], 1)

sum ([3, 4], 3)

sum ([4], 6)

sum ([], 10)

10



With and Without Tail Recursion

With tail recursion

sum ([1, 2, 3, 4], 0)

sum ([2, 3, 4], 1)

sum ([3, 4], 3)

sum ([4], 6)

sum ([], 10)

10

Without tail recursion

sum ([1, 2, 3, 4])

1 + sum ([2, 3, 4])

1 + (2 + sum ([3, 4]))

1 + (2 + (3 + sum ([4])))

1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + sum ([]))))

1 + (2 + (3 + (4 + 0)))

1 + (2 + (3 + 4))

1 + (2 + 7)

1 + 9

10



To Create a Tail-recursive Function



Create a private recursive function
with an additional accumulator parameter



The base case of the recursive
function returns the accumulator



The recursive invocation provides
an updated value for the accumulator



Create a public function that calls the
tail-recursive function using the appropriate initial values



In Summary

**Non-tail recursive functions
will use the stack to
remember the state**

**Tail recursive functions
use accumulators to
remember state**



Tail Call Optimization (TCO)

When the compiler automatically make tail-recursive functions more efficient.



Tail Call Optimization with Trampolines



Thunk

A function that is returned by another function to delay a computation.



Implemented with the Supplier Interface

```
@FunctionalInterface  
public interface Supplier<T> {  
    T get();  
}
```





Stack





Stack



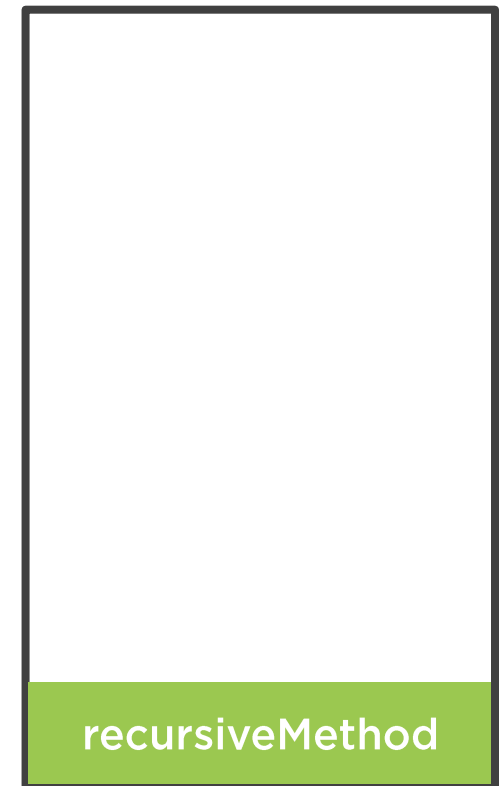
Stack overflow



```
int recursiveMethod(int i) {  
    // ...  
    return () -> recursiveMethod(j);  
}
```



```
int recursiveMethod(int i) {  
    // ...  
    return () -> recursiveMethod(j);  
}
```



Stack



Trampoline

A loop that iteratively invokes a function that can return a thunk.



Trampoline Pseudocode

```
while (f == 'function') {  
    f = f();  
}
```

```
return f;
```



The Fold Operation



```
Integer sum(List<Integer> list, int acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : sum( tail(list), acc + head(list) );  
}
```




```
Integer sum(List<Integer> list, int acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : sum( tail(list), acc + 1 );  
}
```



```
Integer length(List<Integer> list, int acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : length( tail(list), acc + 1 );  
}
```



```
Integer length(List<Integer> list, List<Integer> acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : length( tail(list), acc + 1 );  
}
```



```
List<Integer> length(List<Integer> list, List<Integer> acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : length( tail(list), acc + 1 );  
}
```



```
List<Integer> length(List<Integer> list, List<Integer> acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : length( tail(list), concat(Arrays.asList(head(list)), acc));  
}
```



```
List<Integer> reverse(List<Integer> list, List<Integer> acc) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : reverse( tail(list), concat(Arrays.asList(head(list)), acc));  
}
```



Higher-level of Abstraction

```
T function(List<T> list, T acc, Function op) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : function(tail(list), op.apply(...));  
}
```



The Function Takes Two Values

The head of the list

The accumulator



Type of the Function

$$(T, U) \rightarrow U$$



Type of the Function (Curried Version)

T → **U** → **U**



```
Function<Integer, Function<Integer, Integer>> sum = x -> y -> x + y;
```

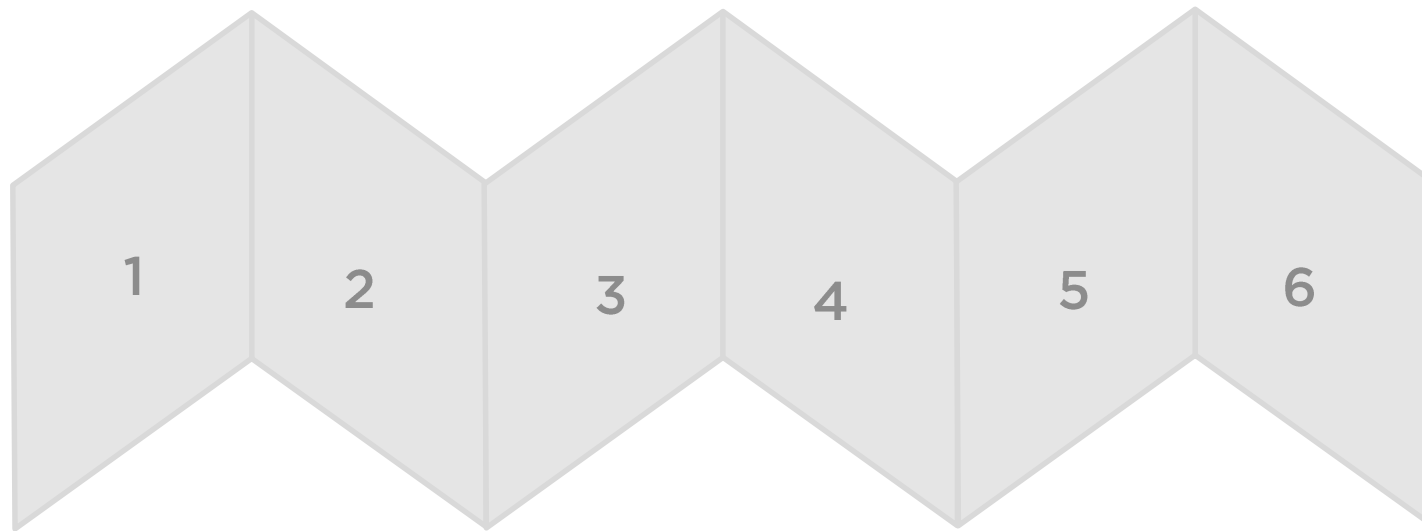
```
Integer generic(List<Integer> list,  
                int acc,  
                Function<Integer, Function<Integer, Integer>> f) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : generic(tail(list), f.apply(head(list)).apply(acc), f);  
}
```



```
Function<Integer, Function<Integer, Integer>> sum = x -> y -> x + y;
```

```
Integer foldLeft(List<Integer> list,  
                int acc,  
                Function<Integer, Function<Integer, Integer>> f) {  
    return list.isEmpty()  
        ? acc  
        : foldLeft(tail(list), f.apply(head(list)).apply(acc), f);  
}
```

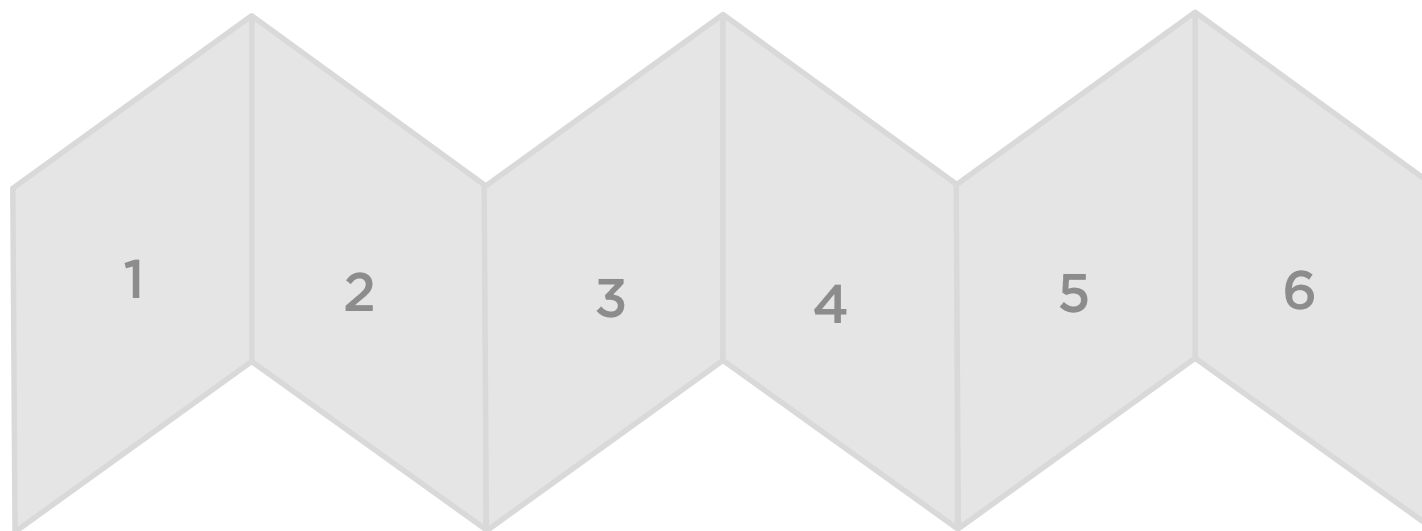




foldLeft



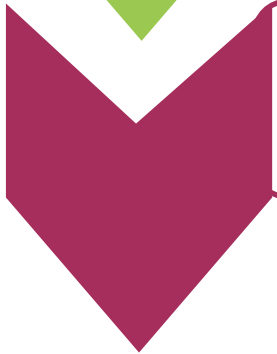
foldRight



Folding in Two Directions



If the operation is commutative,
both ways of folding are equivalent



If the operation is not commutative,
the two ways of folding give different results





Is `Stream.reduce()`
equivalent to `foldLeft`?



Folding Versus Mapping, Reducing, and Collecting





Is `Stream.reduce()`
equivalent to `foldLeft`?

NO



Reducing

Folding to a result that is the same type as the list elements.



FoldLeft

```
U foldLeft(List<T> ts,  
            U identity,  
            Function<U, Function<T, U>> f) {  
    // ...  
}
```



First Version of Reduce

```
Optional<T> reduce(BinaryOperator<T> accumulator)
```



First Version of Reduce

```
Optional<T> reduce(BinaryOperator<T> accumulator) {  
    boolean foundAny = false;  
    T result = null;  
    for (T element : this stream) {  
        if (!foundAny) {  
            foundAny = true;  
            result = element;  
        }  
        else  
            result = accumulator.apply(result, element);  
    }  
    return foundAny ? Optional.of(result) : Optional.empty();  
}
```



Second Version of Reduce

```
T reduce(T identity, BinaryOperator<T> accumulator)
```



Second Version of Reduce

```
T reduce(T identity, BinaryOperator<T> accumulator) {  
    T result = identity;  
    for (T element : this stream)  
        result = accumulator.apply(result, element)  
    return result;  
}
```



Third Version of Reduce

```
U reduce(U identity, BiFunction<U, ? super T, U> accumulator, BinaryOperator<U> combiner)
```



Third Version of Reduce

```
U reduce(U identity, BiFunction<U, ? super T, U> accumulator, BinaryOperator<U> combiner) {  
    U result = identity;  
    for (T element : this stream)  
        result = accumulator.apply(result, element)  
    return result;  
}
```



Collect

```
R collect(Supplier<R> supplier, BiConsumer<R,? super T> accumulator, BiConsumer<R,R> combiner)
{
    R result = supplier.get();
    for (T element : this stream)
        accumulator.accept(result, element);
    return result;
}
```



Reduce is designed to work with immutable objects, while collect can only work with mutable objects.



Memoization



Memoization

A technique that caches the result of an operation so it can be returned immediately if the same computation is performed in the future.



Memoization Optimizes Execution Time

$$O(n) \rightarrow O(1)$$



Memoization Is a Trade



Reduces execution time



Increases memory

Fibonacci Numbers

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 ...

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$$

Except for the first two numbers that are always 0 and 1.



Fib(4)

fib(4)

fib(3)

fib(2)

fib(2)

+

fib(1)

+

fib(1)

+

fib(0)

fib(1) + fib(0)



| n | Fib(n) | Number of calls |
|----------|---------------|------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 3 | 5 |
| 4 | 5 | 9 |
| 5 | 8 | 15 |
| 6 | 13 | 25 |
| 7 | 21 | 41 |
| 8 | 34 | 67 |
| 9 | 55 | 109 |
| 10 | 89 | 177 |
| 11 | 144 | 287 |
| 12 | 233 | 465 |
| 13 | 377 | 753 |
| 14 | 610 | 1219 |
| 15 | 987 | 1973 |



Memoization is often an alternative to tail call optimization to improve performance.



Memoization Is Compatible with Functional Programming



A memoized function always returns the same value for the same argument



If the side effect of storing the results is not visible from outside the function



```
public Double average(int number) {  
    return IntStream.rangeClosed(1, number).average().orElse(0.0);  
}
```

```
// ...
```

```
Function<Integer, Double> avg = this::average;
```



```
public Double average(int number) {  
    return IntStream.rangeClosed(1, number).average().orElse(0.0);  
}
```

```
// ...
```

```
Map<Integer, Double> cache = new ConcurrentHashMap<>();  
Function<Integer, Double> avg =  
    x -> cache.computeIfAbsent(x, this::average);
```



```
class Functions {  
    private static Map<Integer, Double> cache = new ConcurrentHashMap<>();  
    public static Function<Integer, Double> avg =  
        x -> cache.computeIfAbsent(x, Functions::average);  
  
    private static Double average(int number) {  
        return IntStream.rangeClosed(1, number).average().orElse(0.0);  
    }  
}
```



Things to Remember



For simple use cases, you can use the Stream API

For more advanced use cases, you must implement your own types



Things to Remember



We can replace loops with recursive functions

Be careful with stack overflow exceptions

Write tail-recursive functions, where the recursive call is the last line of the function

- Tail-recursive functions use an accumulator to carry intermediate state
- Tail call optimization (TCO)
- Implement it with thunks and trampolines

Things to Remember



Fold function

- Tail-recursive function for performing operations over collections
- Two directions, from left to right or from right to left
- If the operation is commutative, both ways of folding are equivalent
- Java doesn't have an equivalent of this function

Things to Remember



Memoization

- Caching the result of an operation so it can be returned immediately if the same computation is performed in the future

Using imperative structures inside a pure function is not bad if the function remains pure



In the Next Module

Dealing with nulls functionally

