

# Introduction and Stacks Functional Programming

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We have decided on four major topics:

- Intro 2 + 1 weeks Our experience tells us, that not all of you are totally confident with the "intrails" of a computer on a low level. To understand functional programming and recursion, this knowledge is very helpful.
- LISP 2 weeks LISP is one of the oldest functional languages, and probably one you will meet in real life. LISP is great for an introduction to recursion.
- Elm 6 weeks Elm is a pure strongly typed functional language, designed to create SPA's on the net. It introduces many features of hardcore functional programming in an easy to understand responsive way.
- Haskell 4 weeks Pure evil and awesomeness!



W	Part	Subject	Assignment
5	Intro	Stacks	An RPN calculator
6		Recursion	A stack CPU
7	LISP	Lists and recursion	$\pi$ with 1000 decimals
8		High order functions	Mapping and filtering
9	Elm	The language	Install elm tools
10		Simple architecture	HTML page with tests
11		Commands	HTML page with
12			- RESTful
13		Subscriptions	HTML page with
14			- RESTful & WebSockets
15	Easter		



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15	Easter		
16	Theory	Tail recursiveness	CPU Simulator for TR
17	Haskell	Introduction	Web tutorial
18		Types	Bezier with Graphics - Gloss
19		IO and frameworks	Simple web server
20		Monoids and Monads	
_21	Recap	LISP/Elm/Haskell	

The plan is preliminary and is subject to change



The exam is oral. The student will prepare a (app. ten minutes) presentation of the solution of one of the major assignments. Further discussions will be based on the presentation, but can include all aspects of the curriculum.

In order to be approved for the exam:

- □ All four major assignments must be handed in
- ☐ At least 80 study points must be obtained

# Study Points

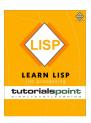


- ☐ Attendance: 20
- □ Hand in of major assignments (10 per assignment): 40
- ☐ Hand in of minor assignments (5 per assignment): 40

# LISP Tutorial - Practical Common Lisp



#### LISP Books



For the quick overview, sufficient for this course.

Download pdf or read online:

http://www.tutorialspoint.com/lisp/



For the details.

Read online: http://www.gigamonkeys.com/book/



Elm Book

# An Introduction to



Download or read online: https://guide.elm-lang.org



Haskell Book

# Learn You a Haskell for Great Good!

A Beginner's Guide



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Buy or read online:

http://learnyouahaskell.com

# Tools - Atom.io and packages



We found only one editor (there might be more) that:

- □ Supported LISP, Elm, and Haskell
- □ Worked with Windows, Linux, and Mac



https://atom.io



#### Windows I



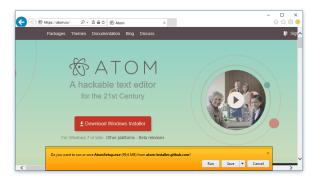
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# Installation



#### Windows II

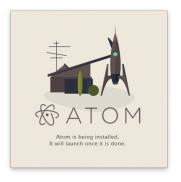


# Actions

Click "Run"



Windows II



#### Actions

Wait for Atom to load

## Installation



Mac I

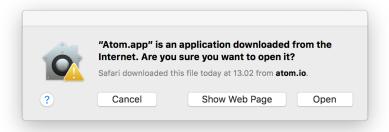


#### Actions

Click "Download for Mac"
Move Atom.app to the Applications folder



Mac II



#### Actions

Open the Applications folder and double click Atom.app Click "Open"

# Installation



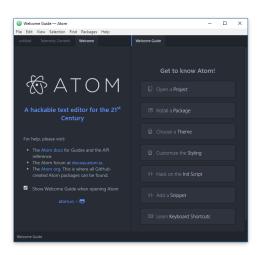
Linux

#### Actions

Haven't had access to Linux machine yet - sorry! Follow the guide!?



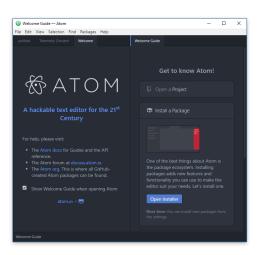
#### All platforms



Actions
Click "Install a package"



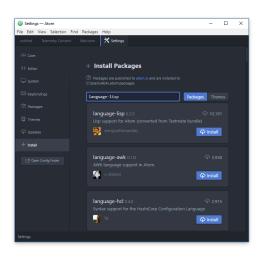
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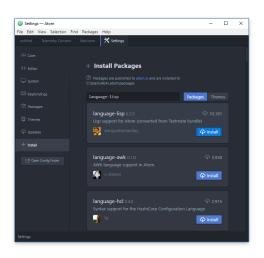


#### **Actions**

Enter the package name Press return to search



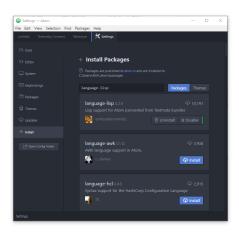
#### All platforms



Actions
Click "Install"
Wait patiently



#### All platforms



#### **Actions**

Package installed Repeat for

- □ language-elm
- language-haskell
- ☐ autocomplete-haskell
- □ save-commands
- ☐ git-plus



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# Stacks





# Stacks are LIFO queues



A stack is a Last In First Out queue. Normally these methods are implemented:

- pop(): Item Pop an item from the stack "remove the top plate from the stack"
- peek(): Item (Optional) Peek at the top item on the stack, without removing it. "look at the top plate in the stack"
- isEmpty(): Boolean (Optional) Whether the stack is empty or not. "are there any plates left?"

#### Stack in Java



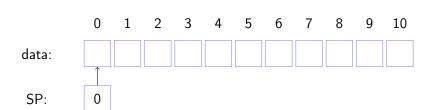
Since 1.0

Java has the following definition in the java.util package:

```
public class Stack<E> extends Vector implements ... {
  public boolean empty() { ... }
  public E push(E item) { ... }
  public E pop() { ... }
  public E peek() { ... }
  public int search(Object o) { ... }
}
```

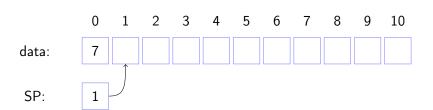


Stack stack = new Stack();



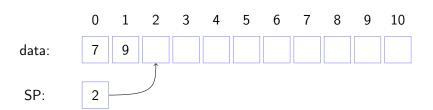


stack.push(7);



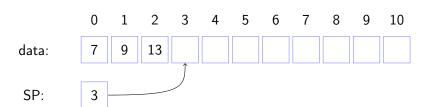


stack.push(9);

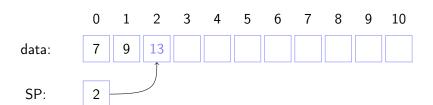




stack.push(13);







# Exercise 1 - Array Stack



Implement a stack, that uses an array as the internal data structure. The skelleton would look like:

You will need a constructor that initialises the data array to some size. If you have time, make ArrayStack implement Iterable<T>.

# A preview on recursion



Recursion is all about divide and conquor. Split the problem into two or more similar but smaller problems, then combine the solutions of the minor problems.

A very important property of recursiveness is the existence of base cases. Problems that are so small, that they can be solved without further splitting.

Examples of recursive algorithms:

- Merge sort: Split the list to sort into two equally sized lists, and sort them. Merge the two sorted lists. The base case is a list with only one element.
- □ Factorial: Is the product of all number from 1 to a number n. Multiply n with the product of the numbers from 1 to n-1. The base case is 0, which factorial value is defined to 1.

#### Recursion on lists



Recursive algorithms on lists, often do something with the first element in the list and the rest of the list:

- □ Sum of all elements in a list: Add the value of the first element in the list to the sum of the rest of the list. The base case: The sum of an empty list is 0.
- Maximum of all elements in a list: Compare the value of the first element with the maximum of the rest. The base case: The maximum of a list with a single element is the value of that element.

## Sum and maximum in code



Brute force

Most datastructures in procedural (and object-oriented) languages are designed for iterative processing.

The method Arrays.copyOfRange(...) is not very efficient, it traverses the array at every call, giving  $O(n^2)$  for a simple sum.

## Sum and maximum in code



Efficient, but not very elegant

Adding an index to the method signature removes the need to copy the list. Also, which is important, the list is "unharmed" after the call.

```
public static int max(int[] list) {
    return max(0, list);
    }

public static int max(int index, int[] list) {
    if (index == list.length - 1) return list[index];
    int first = list[index];
    int maxOfRest = max(index + 1, list);
    return first > maxOfRest ? first : maxOfRest;
    }
```

## Sum and maximum in code



Elegant and efficient

Consider a special type of integer list IntPath:

```
public static int sum(IntPath list) {
   if (list == null) return 0; // empty path = null
   return list.getFirst() + sum(list.getRest());
  }

public static int max(IntPath list) {
   int first = list.getFirst();
   if (list.getRest() == null) return first;
   int maxOfRest = max(list.getRest());
   return first > maxOfRest ? first : maxOfRest;
  }
```



Implement in Java (or Kotlin) a special kind of list here called a Path with the following interface.

```
public interface Path<T> {
   T getFirst();
   Path<T> getRest();
}
```

Be aware of the fact that the data structure neither is a List (which is indexable) nor Collection (which is countable) in the Java sense.

If you have spare time, you can convince yourself by implementing a NumberPath that has all numbers from 0 to Long.MAX\_VALUE.

```
public class NumberPath implements Path < Long > {
    Long getFirst() { ... }
    Path < Long > getRest() { ... }
}
```

# Sum in Kotlin



Maybe one should try that one day?

```
sealed class Path<T> {
    class Steps<T>(
        val first: T,
        val rest: Path<T> = Empty()
        ) : Path<T>()
    class Empty <T> : Path <T>()
    }
fun sum(list: Path<Int>) : Int =
    when (list) {
        is Path.Empty -> 0
        is Path.Steps -> list.first + sum(list.rest)
```



Implement a stack, that uses the Path from Exercise 2 as the internal data structure. The skelleton would look like:

```
public class PathStack<T> {
    private Path<T> data = null;
    // ------
    public void push(T element) { ... }
    public T pop() { ... }
    public boolean isEmpty() { ... }
}
```

You will need this class for the first Assignment.