Lisp Expressions

- atom / number
  \ symbol

- list

  (op arg1 ... argn)

  ↓

  function: built-in / user specified

  special operations - setq
  quote.

- selectors:
  car, cdr (first, rest)

- constructors:
  cons, list.
  ↳ only 2 arguments

* Create list (1, 2)

  > (cons 1 (cons 2 NIL))

* Create list (1 (2 3) 4)

  > (setq x (cons 2 (cons 3 NIL)))

> (cons 1 (cons 2 (cons 4 NIL)))

LIST:

> (list 1 2 3)

> (1 2 3)

> (list 1 (list 2 3) 4)

> (1 (2 3) 4)

CONS vs LIST:

(cons H T)

↳ α

(car α) → H

(cdr α) → T

(list a_1 a_2 ... a_n)

(a_1 a_2 ... a_n)

BOOLEAN EXPRESSIONS:

false : NIL (empty list)

true : t (anything other than NIL)

PREDICATES:

(> . .)

(< . .)

(= . .)

(<= . .)

(>= . .)

```
> (> 3 1)
> t
> (< 3 1)
> NIL
```

→ atom : is the expression an atom

→ listp : is it a list

→ null : is it null

→ equal : are they equal.

```
> (atom 3)
  > t

> (atom 'x)
  > t

> (atom '(a b))
  > NIL

> (listp '(a b))
  > t

> (setq x '(a b))
> (setq y '(a b))
> (equal x y)
  > t
```

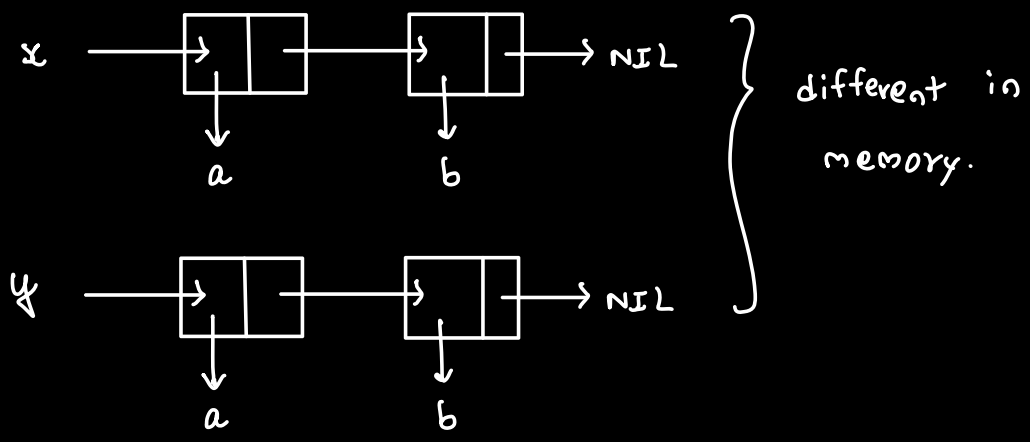
```
> (atom NIL)
  > t

> (listp NIL)
  > t
```

equal vs eqL

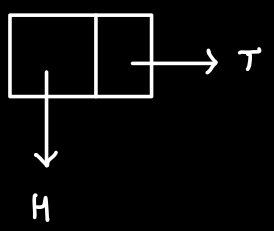
```
> (setq x '(a b))
> (setq y '(a b))
> (eqL x y)
    > NIL
```

In memory



(cons H T)

Creates a unit and points to atom H. Next set to tail list, T.



Boolean Connectors:

NOT, AND, OR

> (NOT t)

> NIL

> (NOT NIL)

> t

> (NOT 3)

> NIL

> (NOT (> 3 1))

> NIL

> (AND arg1 ... argn)

⟶

evaluates left to right

* if any NIL, stop, return NIL

* else return argn.

> (AND (+ 2 3) (+ 1 3))

> 4

> (AND (+ 2 3) (cdr '(a)) (+ 1 3))

> NIL

> (OR arg1 ... argn)

⟶ evaluates left to right

* if all NIL, return NIL

* else return first NON-NIL

> (OR (+ 2 3) (+ 1 3))

> 5

> (OR NIL (+ 2 3) t)

> 5

BRANCHING:

```
(cond  (bexp  exp1 ... expn)
       (bexp  exp1 ... expm)
        :
       (bexp  exp1 ... expk))
```

Check bexp
→ if true, execute that
→ all false return NIL.

```
> (setq x 3)
> (cond ((= x 0) 'zero)
        ((> x 0) 'positive)
        ((< x 0) 'negative))
  > positive.

> (cond ((= x 0) 'zero)
        ((> x 0) 'positive)
        (t       'negative))
                  → default
  > positive.
```

FUNCTIONS:

```
> (defun square (x)
    (* x x))

> (square 3)
  > 9

> (square (square 3))
  > 81

> (square (+ 1 2))
  > 9

> (defun sum (a b)
    (+ a b))

> (sum 3 7)
  > 10

> (defun abs (x)
    (cond ((= x 0) 0)
          ((> x 0) x)
          (t (- x))))
```

```
> (abs -3)
    > 3.
```

LET:

```
> (let ((x 3)
        (y 4))
    (+ x y))
```

} local binding in parallel

```
> 7

> x
  ↳ error
```

```
> (setq x 2)          ⟶ x : 2

> (let ((x 3)
        (y (+ x 2)))
    (* x y))
```

} parallel

x = 3

y = x + 2 = 2 + 2 = 4

```
    > 12
```

```
>(setq  x  5)                          x = 5
>(+  (let  ((x 3))                     x = 3          ]
          (+  x  (*  x  10)))          3 + 30 = 33    ] local
       x)                              x = 5
   > 38
```

LET*

Sequential evalution, still local

```
>(setq  x  5)                          x = 5
>(let*  ((x  3)                        x = 3
         (y  (+  x  2)))               y = x + 2 = 3 + 2 = 5
    (*  x  y))
  > 15
> x
  > 5
```

RECURSIVE FUNCTIONS:

```
(defun odd? (x)
    (cond ((= x 0) NIL)
          ((= x 1) t)
          (t (odd? (- x 2)))))
```

```
> (odd? 5)
    ↳ (odd? 3)
        ↳ (odd? 1)
```

t ↖ t ↖

```
> t
```

→ FACTORIAL

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ n(n-1)! & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

```
(defun fact (n)
    (cond ((= n 0) 1)
          (t (* n (fact (- n 1))))))
```

Sum of List:

(1 2 3) → 6

(()) → 1

() → 0

```
(defun sum_list (L)
      (cond ((null L) 0)
            (t (+ (car L) (sum_list (cdr L))))))
```

Is the number, x in list, L:

```
> (member? 'a '(a b c))
      > t
> (member? '(x 4) '(1 (x 4) 7))
      > t
> (member? 'x '(1 (x 4) 3))
      > NIL
```

```
(defun member? (x L)
    (cond ((null L) NIL)
          ((equal x (car L)) t)
          (t (member? x (cdr L)))))
```

LAST ELEMENT OF LIST:

```
> (last '(1 (a b) 7))
    > 7
> (last '(a))
    > a
> (last NIL)
    > NIL
```

```
(defun last (L)
    (cond ((null (cdr L)) (car L))
          (t (last (cdr L)))))
```

n^{TH} ELEMENT OF A LIST:

```
> (nth '(a b c) 0)
    > a
> (nth '(a b c) 1)
    > b
```

Assume $n \in [0, len(L) - 1]$

```
(defun nth (L n)
    (cond ((= n 0) (car L))
          (t (nth (cdr L) (- n 1)))))
```

REMOVE ALL OCCURRENCES OF AN ELEMENT:

```
> (remove 'x '(1 x 7))
    > (1 7)

> (remove 3 '(1 3 4 3))
    > (1 4)

> (remove '(a b) '(7 (a b) 2))
    > (7 2)
```

```
(defun remove (x L)
  (cond ((null L) NIL)
        ((equal x (car L)) (remove x (cdr L)))
        (t (cons (car L) (remove x (cdr L))))))
```

APPEND A LIST TO ANOTHER LIST:

```
> (append '(a b) '(1 2))
  > (a b 1 2)

> (append NIL '(x y))
  > (x y)

> (append '(a) '(3 x))
  > (a 3 x)
```

```
(defun append (L1 L2)
  (cond ((null L1) L2)
        (t (cons (car L1) (append (cdr L1) L2)))))
```