

5. Higher Order Procedures

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A **Higher Order Procedure** either takes a procedure as an argument or returns one as a value.

List Transformation

Map

Transform lists by applying a function to every element. The procedure provided must be of the indicated format below.

```
(map proc lst) -> <List>; (proc x) -> y
```

Filter

Transform lists by selectively choosing each element according to the procedure. If the given element of the list results in a false value return in the procedure it is filtered out of the list.

```
(filter proc lst) -> <List>' (proc x) -> #t or #f
```

Reduce

Transforms lists by using a procedure to iteratively process each element of the list.

```
(reduce proc init lst) -> <Value>  
(proc accumulated element) -> new_accumulated
```

- **proc**: A function that takes two arguments (the current accumulated value and the current element of the list) and returns a new accumulated value.
- **init**: The initial value for the accumulation, setting the starting point.
- **lst**: The list to be processed, where each element is passed along with the accumulated value to the procedure.

This process continues until the list is exhausted, resulting in a single, final accumulated value.

Example:

```
(reduce + 0 '(1 2 3 4 5)) ==> 15
```