

# Closures:

The next great development  
in programming technology

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# AGC

```
# ENTRY IS THROUGH 1/ACCJOB OR 1/ACCSIT WHEN 1/ACCS IS TO BE DONE AS A SEPARATE NOVAC JOB.
# IT IS POSSIBLE FOR MORE THAN ONE OF THESE JOBS TO BE SET UP CONCURRENTLY.  HOWEVER, SINCE THERE IS NO CHECK OF
# NEWJOB, A SECOND MANIFESTATION CANNOT BE STARTED UNTIL THE FIRST IS COMPLETED.
```

```
1/ACCSET CAF  ZERO      # ENTRY FROM FRESH START/RESTART CODING.
          TS  AOSQ      #   NULL THE OFFSET ESTIMATES FOR 1/ACCS.
          TS  AOSR
          TS  ALPHAQ     #   NULL THE OFFSET ESTIMATES FOR DOWNLIST
          TS  ALPHAR
```

```
1/ACCJOB TC   BANKCALL # 1/ACCS ASSUMES ENTRY VIA BANKCALL.
          CADR 1/ACCS  +2  # SKIP EBANK SETTING.
          TC   ENDOFJOB
```

```
1/ACCS   CA   EBANK6      # ***** EBANK SET BUT NOT RESTORED *****
          TS   EBANK

          TC   MAKECADR # SAVE RETURN SO THAT BUF2 MAY BE USED
          TS   ACCRETRN
```

```
# DETERMINE MASS OF THE LEM.
```

```
CA   DAPBOOLS # IS THE CSM DOCKED
MASK CSMDOCKD
TS   DOCKTEMP # STORE RECORD OF STATE IN TEMP (MPAC +3).
CCS  A
CS   CSMMASS      #   DOCKED:  LEMMAS = MASS - CSMMASS
AD   MASS         #   LEM ALONE:  LEMMASS = MASS
TS   LEMMASS
```

# FORTRAN IV

```
C AREA OF A TRIANGLE - HERON'S FORMULA
C INPUT - CARD READER UNIT 5, INTEGER INPUT, ONE BLANK CARD FOR END-OF-DATA
C OUTPUT - LINE PRINTER UNIT 6, REAL OUTPUT
C INPUT ERROR DISPAY ERROR MESSAGE ON OUTPUT
501 FORMAT(3I5)
601 FORMAT(4H A= ,I5,5H B= ,I5,5H C= ,I5,8H AREA= ,F10.2,
$13H SQUARE UNITS)
602 FORMAT(10HNORMAL END)
603 FORMAT(23HINPUT ERROR, ZERO VALUE)
      INTEGER A,B,C
10 READ(5,501) A,B,C
   IF(A.EQ.0 .AND. B.EQ.0 .AND. C.EQ.0) GO TO 50
   IF(A.EQ.0 .OR. B.EQ.0 .OR. C.EQ.0) GO TO 90
   S = (A + B + C) / 2.0
   AREA = SQRT( S * (S - A) * (S - B) * (S - C) )
   WRITE(6,601) A,B,C,AREA
   GO TO 10
50 WRITE(6,602)
   STOP
90 WRITE(6,603)
   STOP
   END
```

# FORTRAN 77

```
*      euclid.f (FORTRAN 77)
*      Find greatest common divisor using the Euclidean algorithm

PROGRAM EUCLID
  PRINT *, 'A?'
  READ *, NA
  IF (NA.LE.0) THEN
    PRINT *, 'A must be a positive integer.'
    STOP
  END IF
  PRINT *, 'B?'
  READ *, NB
  IF (NB.LE.0) THEN
    PRINT *, 'B must be a positive integer.'
    STOP
  END IF
  PRINT *, 'The GCD of', NA, ' and', NB, ' is', NGCD(NA, NB), '.'
  STOP
END

FUNCTION NGCD(NA, NB)
  IA = NA
  IB = NB
1  IF (IB.NE.0) THEN
    ITEMP = IA
    IA = IB
    IB = MOD(ITEMP, IB)
    GOTO 1
  END IF
  NGCD = IA
  RETURN
END
```

# Pascal

```
PROGRAM Sort(input, output);
  CONST
    MaxEls = 50;
  TYPE
    IntArrType = ARRAY [1..MaxEls] OF Integer;
  VAR
    i, j, tmp, size: integer;
    arr: IntArrType;

    PROCEDURE ReadArr(VAR size: Integer; VAR a: IntArrType);
    BEGIN
      size := 1;
      WHILE NOT eof DO BEGIN
        readln(a[size]);
        IF NOT eof THEN
          size := size + 1
        END
      END;
    END;

  BEGIN
    ReadArr(size, arr);

    (* Sort using bubble sort. *)
    FOR i := size - 1 DOWNTO 1 DO
      FOR j := 1 TO i DO
        IF arr[j] > arr[j + 1] THEN BEGIN
          tmp := arr[j];
          arr[j] := arr[j + 1];
          arr[j + 1] := tmp;
        END;
      END;

      FOR i := 1 TO size DO
        writeln(arr[i])
      END.
    END.
```

# C

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<conio.h>

int fact(int);

int main() {
    int factorial, num;

    printf("Enter the value of num :");
    scanf("%d", &num);

    factorial = fact(num);
    printf("Factorial is %d", factorial);

    return (0);
}

int fact(int n) {
    if (n == 0) {
        return (1);
    }
    return (n * fact(n - 1));
}
```

# C++

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

class Date {
private:
    int year;
    int month;
    int day;

public:
    Date (int d, int m, int y) {
        if(d>0 && d<31) day = d;
        if(m>0 && m<13) month = m;
        if(y>0) year =y;
    }

    void print() {
        cout << day << "-" << month << "-" << year << endl;
    }
};

int main() {
    Date today(1,9,1999);

    cout << "This program was written on ";
    today.print();
    return 0;
}
```

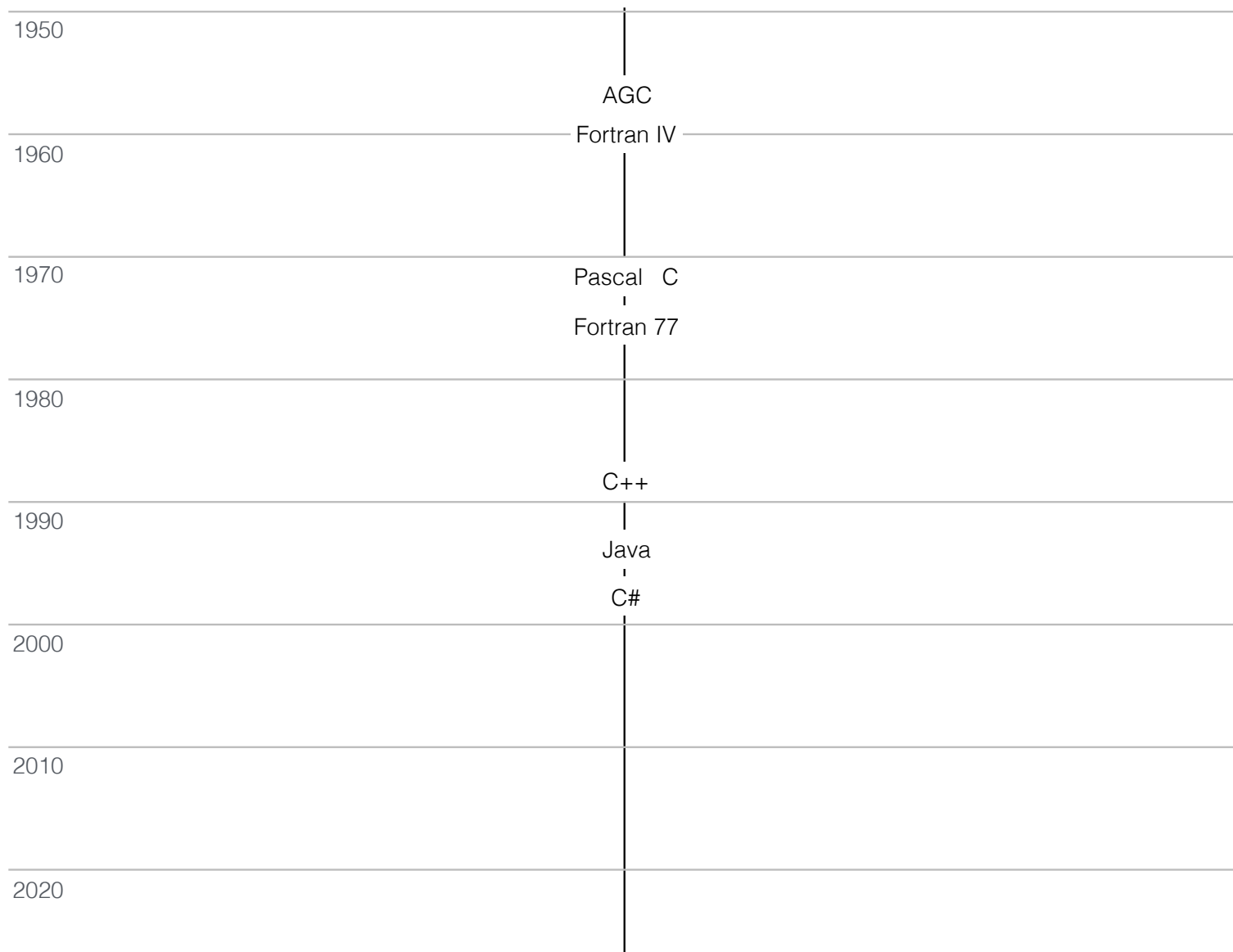
# Java

```
public class CallingMethodsInSameClass
{
    public static void printOne() {
        System.out.println("Hello World");
    }

    public static void printTwo() {
        printOne();
        printOne();
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        printOne();
        printOne();
        printTwo();
    }
}
```





# Algol

```
proc abs max = ([,]real a, ref real y, ref int i, k)real:

comment The absolute greatest element of the matrix a, of size  $\lceil a$  by  $2\lceil a$ 
is transferred to y, and the subscripts of this element to i and k; comment

begin
  real y := 0; i :=  $\lfloor a$ ; k :=  $2\lfloor a$ ;
  for p from  $\lfloor a$  to  $\lceil a$  do
    for q from  $2\lfloor a$  to  $2\lceil a$  do
      if abs a[p, q] > y then
        y := abs a[p, q];
        i := p; k := q
      fi
    od
  od;
  y
end # abs max #
```

# Simula

```
Class Rectangle (Width, Height); Real Width, Height;
                                ! Class with two parameters;
Begin
  Real Area, Perimeter;  ! Attributes;

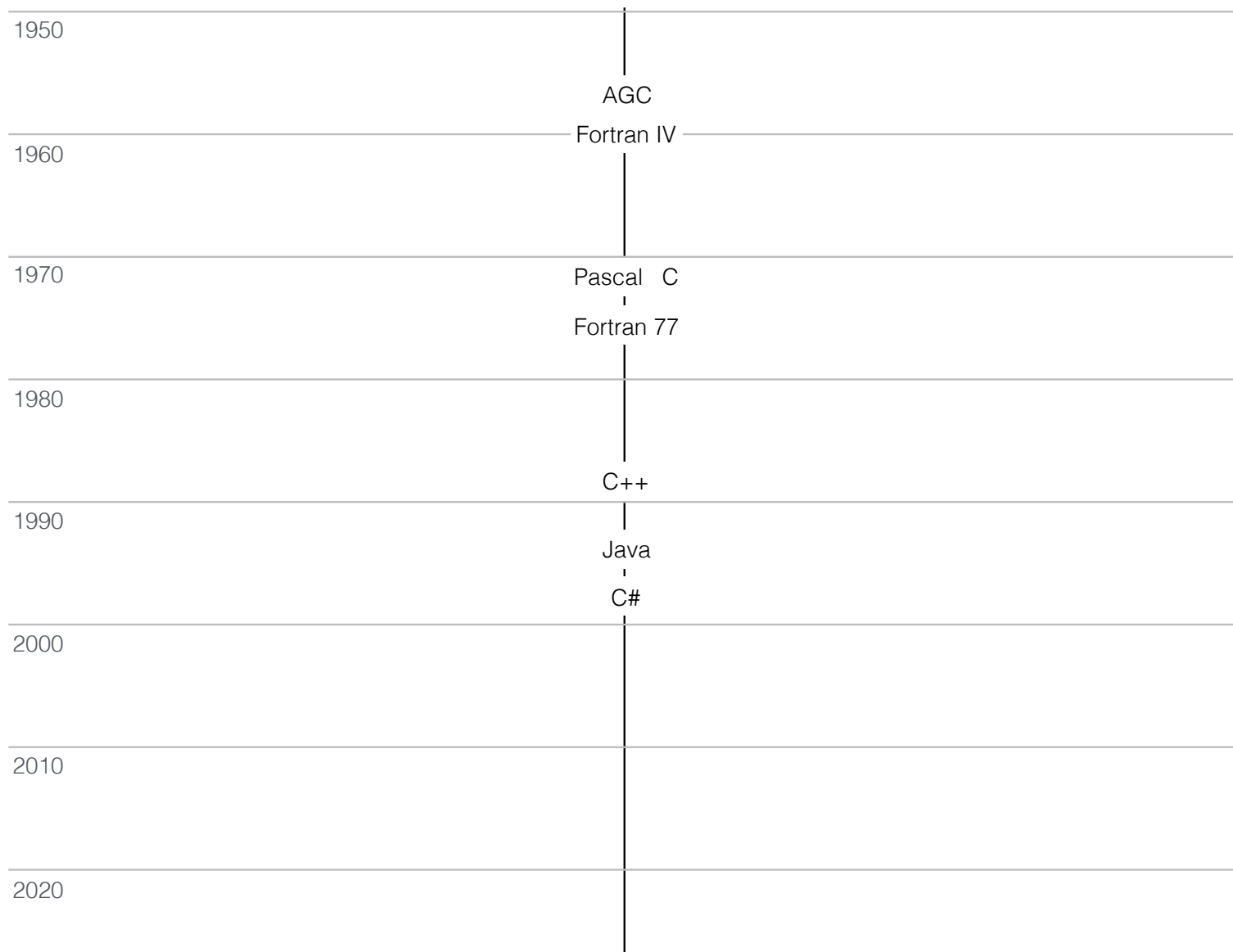
  Procedure Update;      ! Methods (Can be Virtual);
  Begin
    Area := Width * Height;
    Perimeter := 2*(Width + Height)
  End of Update;

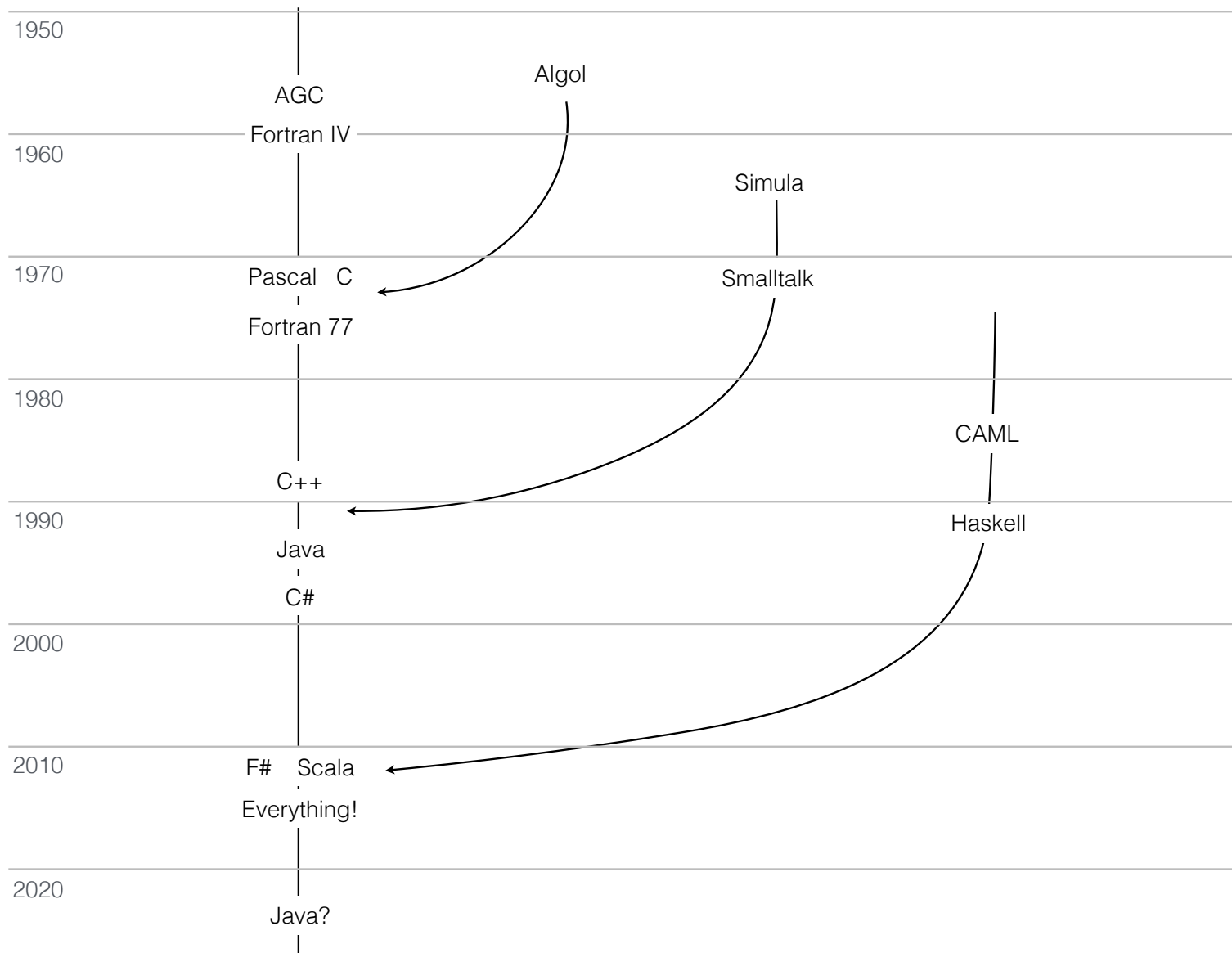
  Boolean Procedure IsSquare;
  IsSquare := Width=Height;

  Update;                ! Life of rectangle started at creation;
  OutText("Rectangle created: "); OutFix(Width,2,6);
  OutFix(Height,2,6); OutImage
End of Rectangle;
```

# Smalltalk

```
SequenceableCollection extend [  
  swap: i with: j [  
    |t|  
    t := self at: i.  
    self at: i put: (self at: j).  
    self at: j put: t.  
  ]  
].  
  
Object subclass: Shuffler [  
  Shuffler class >> Knuth: aSequenceableCollection [  
    |n k|  
    n := aSequenceableCollection size.  
    [ n > 1 ] whileTrue: [  
      k := Random between: 1 and: n.  
      aSequenceableCollection swap: n with: k.  
      n := n - 1  
    ]  
  ]  
].
```





# Closures

- What are they?
- What do they look like?
- What can you do with them?

# What is a closure?

```
TrackInfo [] hitsOfThe70s = {...}
```

```
TrackInfo [] rankedHitsOfThe70s = hitsOfThe70s.sort ();
```



# What is a closure?

```
knowItAllServer = Neilsen;
TrackInfo [] hitsOfThe70s = {...}

TrackInfo [] rankedHitsOfThe70s = hitsOfThe70s.sort (
  (a, b) => {
return compare (a.highestChartRank, b.highestChartRank);
    knowItAllServer(a).totalSales,
  );
  knowItAllServer(b).totalSales
);
```

How it looks

# Pascal

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  VAR
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    PROCEDURE ReadArr(VAR size: Integer; VAR a: IntArrType);
    BEGIN
      size := 1;
      WHILE NOT eof DO BEGIN
        readln(a[size]);
        IF NOT eof THEN
          size := size + 1
        END
      END;
    END;

  BEGIN
    ReadArr(size, arr);

    (* Sort using bubble sort. *)
    FOR i := size - 1 DOWNTO 1 DO
      FOR j := 1 TO i DO
        IF arr[j] > arr[j + 1] THEN BEGIN
          tmp := arr[j];
          arr[j] := arr[j + 1];
          arr[j + 1] := tmp;
        END;
      END;

      FOR i := 1 TO size DO
        writeln(arr[i])
      END.
    END.
```

# Pascal

```
Program A ();
  type fn : function (integer) : integer;

  var   a: int;
        f: fn;

  function B() : fn;

      function C(x: integer) : integer;

          begin
              a := a+x;
              return a;
          end;

      begin
          return @C;
      end;

  begin
      a := 10;
      f := B();
      println f(5); { prints 15 }
  end.
```

# Javascript

```
function callAjax (url, callback) {
    var xmlhttp = new XMLHttpRequest();

    xmlhttp.onreadystatechange = function() {
        if (xmlhttp.readyState == XMLHttpRequest.DONE ) {
            if (xmlhttp.status == 200) {
                callback (xmlhttp.responseText);
            }
            else {
                alert('Error: ' + xmlhttp.status);
            }
        }
    };

    xmlhttp.open("GET", url, true);
    xmlhttp.send();
}

callAjax ("ajaxfile.txt", function (s) {
    document.getElementById("myDiv").innerHTML = s;
})
```

# Javascript

```
var serial = (function () {  
    var counter = 0;  
    var f = function () {  
        return counter += 1;  
    };  
    return f;  
}) ();
```

```
var x = serial ();  
var y = serial ();  
var z = serial ();
```

# Python 3

```
def initCounter():  
    x = 0  
  
    def counter ():  
        nonlocal x  
        x += 1  
        print x  
  
    return counter  
  
count = initCounter  
  
count () # prints 1  
count () # prints 2  
count () # prints 3
```

# C++11

```
#include <stdio>
#include <functional>
using std;

function <string (string)> times (int n) {
    auto ss = [&] (const string s) -> const string {
        stringstream os;
        for (int i=0; i<n; ++i) os << s;
        return os.str();
    }
    return ss;
}

int main () {
    auto f = times (5);
    cout << f ("Hello");
    return 0;
}
```



# C#

```
public static Func<int,int> GetAFunc() {  
    var myVar = 1;  
  
    Func<int, int> inc = delegate(int var1) {  
        myVar = myVar + 1;  
        return var1 + myVar;  
    };  
    return inc;  
}  
  
static void Main(string[] args) {  
    var inc = GetAFunc();  
    Console.WriteLine(inc(5));  
    Console.WriteLine(inc(6));  
}
```

~~Java 8~~

Scala

```
object Demo {  
  def main(args: Array[String]) {  
    println( "times(1) = " + multiplier(1) )  
    println( "times(2) = " + multiplier(2) )  
  }  
  
  var factor = 3  
  val times = (i:Int) => i * factor  
}
```

What are they good for?

# Iterators

```
Array <T> tt;  
for (int k=0; k<tt.length(); ++k) // do something with tt[k]
```

```
Iterable <T> tt;  
for (tt.reset(); !tt.atEnd(); tt.next()) // do something with tt.current()
```

```
Iterator <Iterable <T>> ti;  
for (ti.reset (tt); !ti.atEnd(); ti.next()) // do something with ti.current()
```

```
foreach (t in tt) // do something with t
```

# Iterators

```
Iterable <T> tt;  
tt.foreach ( (t) -> { checkID (t) } );
```

```
gotcha = tt.findFirst ( (t) -> { return t.isTheDroidYoureLookingFor () } );
```

```
rebels = tt.filter ( (t) -> { return !t.isLoyalToDarth () } );
```

```
tt.filter ( (t) -> isLoyalToDarth() ).forEach ( (t) -> { arrest (t) } );
```

# Iterators

```
class myTimetable:Map <Pair <Cday, Cslot>, List <Cevent> > {
    Cday days = ["Mon", "Tue", "Wed", "Thu", "Fri"];
    Cslot slots = ["9am", "10am", "11am", "12pm", "1pm", "2pm", "3pm", "4pm"];

    string toHtml () {
        tm = new htmlTableMaker<Cslot, CDay> (slots, days);
        tm.foreach ( (s, d) → { return this [d, s]; } );
    }
}

new myTimetable( ... ).toHtml ();

class htmlTableMaker <X,Y> {
    ctor (X x, Y y) { xx=x; yy=y };

    string foreach ((X x, Y y) → Iterable <Z> f) =
        "<table>"
        "<tr> {"
            ([ ""] + yy).foreach (y → "<th> {y} </th>") // header row
        } </tr> {"
            xx.foreach ( (x) → {
                "<tr>"
                "<th> {x} </th> {" // header column
                    yy.foreach ( (y) → {
                        "<td> {"
                            f(x,y).foreach ( (q) → {
                                "<p> { q } </p>"
                            } );
                        } </td>";
                    } );
                } );
            } </tr>";
        } );
    }
    "</table>";
}
```

# Autonomy

```
class Caller inherits Dialog {
    Telephony tp;

    bool hangupFlag;
    Textbox number;
    Text status;

    Button call.onClick ( () -> {
        hangupFlag = false;
        mutex q = telephony.phoneline; q.acquire ();
        tp = new telephony().dial (number value);
        while (!hangupFlag) sleep (1000);
        tp.hangup ();
        q.release ();
    } );

    Button hangup.onClick ( () -> { hangupFlag = true } );
}
```

# Autonomy

```
class Caller inherits Dialog {
    Telephony tp;
    Thread t;

    Textbox number;
    Text status;

    private void callerTask (string number) {
        static mutex q = telephony.phoneLine; q.acquire ();
        tp = new telephony();
        tp.dial (number);
        while (tp.isCallInProgress) sleep (1000);
        q.release ();
    }

    Button call.onClick ( () -> {
        t = new Thread (callerTask).start (number.value);
    } );

    Button hangup.onClick ( () -> { tp.hangup () } );
}
```



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        }
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    } );

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}
```

# Autonomy

```
class Caller inherits Dialog {
    TextBox number;
    Text status;

    button call.onClick ( () => { tp.placeCall (number.value); } );

    button hangup.onClick ( () => { tp.hangup () } );enable (false);

    TelephonySane tp ()
        .onStartDial ( (string s) => {
            status.value = "Calling: " + s;
        } call.enable = false; hangup.enable = true;
        .onConnect ( () => {
            status.value = "Connected";
        } status.value = "Connected";
        .onDisconnect ( () => {
            status.value = "Ended";
        } status.value = "Ended";
        .onError ( (string msg) => {
            status.value (msg).style(red);
        } status.value (msg).style(red);
        .priority (normal);
    }
}
```

Questions?