

CS 326

Programming Languages, Concepts and Implementation

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Scheme

The Scheme Programming Language

- 1950s-1960s: Lisp developed at MIT (John McCarthy), based on lambda calculus (Alonzo Church)
- Lisp - the first functional programming language
- No single standard evolved for Lisp
- Two major Lisp dialects - Common Lisp and Scheme
- Scheme - developed at MIT in 1970s
- Member of functional class of programming languages
- Actually - has a functional core plus some imperative features
- Main application - symbolic computing, artificial intelligence

The Structure of a Scheme Program

- All programs and data are expressions
- **Expressions** can be **atoms** or **lists**
- **Atom**: number, string, identifier, character, boolean
- **List**: sequence of expressions separated by spaces, between parentheses
- Syntax:

expression → atom | list

atom → number | string | identifier | character | boolean

list → (expr_seq)

expr_seq → expression expr_seq | expression

Interacting with Scheme

- **Interpreter:** "read-eval-print" loop

```
> 1  
1
```

Reads 1, evaluates it (1 evaluates to itself), then prints its value

```
> (+ 2 3)  
5
```

+ => function +

2 => 2

3 => 3

Applies function + on operands 2 and 3 => 5

Evaluation

- **Constant atoms** - evaluate to themselves

42 - a number

3.14 - another number

"hello" - a string

#/a - character 'a'

#t - boolean value "true"

> "hello world"

"hello world"

Evaluation

- **Identifiers (symbols)** - evaluate to the value bound to them

(define a 7)

> a

7

> +

#<procedure +>

Evaluation

- **Lists** - evaluate as "function calls":
(function arg1 arg2 arg3 ...)
- First element must evaluate to a function
- Recursively evaluate each argument
- Apply the function on the evaluated arguments

```
> (- 7 1)
```

```
6
```

```
> (* (+ 2 3) (/ 6 2))
```

```
15
```

Operators - More Examples

- Prefix notation
- Any number of arguments

> (+)
0

> (+ 2 3 4)
9

> (+ 2)
2

> (- 10 7 2)
1

> (+ 2 3)
5

> (/ 20 5 2)
2

Preventing Evaluation (quote)

- Evaluate the following:

```
> (1 2 3)
```

Error: attempt to apply non-procedure 1.

- Use the **quote** to prevent evaluation:

```
> (quote (1 2 3))
```

```
(1 2 3)
```

- Short-hand notation for quote:

```
> '(1 2 3)
```

```
(1 2 3)
```

More Examples

(define a 7)

a => 7

'a => a

(+ 2 3) => 5

'(+ 2 3) => (+ 2 3)

((+ 2 3)) => Error: attempt to apply non-procedure 5.

'(her 3 "sons") => (her 3 "sons")

- Make a list:

(list 'her (+ 2 1) "sons") => (her 3 "sons")

(list '(+ 2 1) (+ 2 1)) => ((+ 2 1) 3)

Forcing Evaluation (eval)

`(+ 1 2 3)` \Rightarrow 6

`'(+ 1 2 3)` \Rightarrow `(+ 1 2 3)`

`(eval '(+ 1 2 3))` \Rightarrow 6

`(list + 1 2)` \Rightarrow `(+ 1 2)`

`(eval (list + 1 2))` \Rightarrow 3

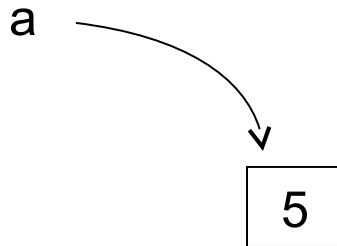
- **Eval** evaluates its single argument
- Eval is implicitly called by the interpreter to evaluate each expression entered:

“read-**eval**-print” loop

Special Forms

- Have different rules regarding whether/how arguments are evaluated

`(define a 5)` ; binds a to 5, does not evaluate a



`(quote (1 2 3))` ; does not evaluate (1 2 3)

- There are a few other special forms – discussed later

Using Scheme

- Petite Chez Scheme

- free downloads for Windows, Linux, Unix

- The essentials:

`scheme` ; to start Scheme from the Unix prompt

`^C` ; to interrupt a running Scheme program

`(exit)` ; to exit Scheme

- Documentation available on Chez Scheme webpage

Announcements

- Readings
 - May look at Scheme books or on-line references

List Operations

- **cons** – returns a list built from head and tail

(cons 'a '(b c d)) => (a b c d)

(cons 'a '()) => (a)

(cons '(a b) '(c d)) ((a b) c d)

(cons 'a (cons 'b '())) => (a b)

(cons 'a 'b) => (a . b) ; improper list

List Operations

- **car** – returns first member of a list (head)

`(car '(a b c d))` \Rightarrow a

`(car '(a))` \Rightarrow a

`(car '((a b) c d))` \Rightarrow (a b)

`(car '(this (is no) more difficult))` \Rightarrow this

- **cdr** – returns the list without its first member (tail)

`(cdr '(a b c d))` \Rightarrow (b c d)

`(cdr '(a b))` \Rightarrow (b)

`(cdr '(a))` \Rightarrow ()

`(cdr '(a (b c)))` \Rightarrow ((b c))

`(car (cdr (cdr '(a b c d))))` \Rightarrow c

`(caddr '(a b c d))` \Rightarrow c

List Operations

- **null?** – returns #t if the list is null ()
#f otherwise
- **list** – returns a list built from its arguments

(list 'a 'b 'c)	=> (a b c)
(list 'a)	=> (a)
(list '(a b c))	= x (a b c))
(list '(a b) 'c)	= x (a b) c)
(list '(a b) '(c d))	= x (a b) (c d))

List Operations

- **length** – returns the length of a list

(length '(1 3 5 7)) => 4

(length '((a b) c)) 2 =>

- **reverse** – returns the list reversed

(reverse '(1 3 5 7)) => (7 5 3 1)

(reverse '((a b) c)) => (c (a b))

- **append** – returns the concatenation of the lists received as arguments

(append '(1 3 5) '(7 9)) => (1 3 5 7 9)

(append '(a) '()) => (a)

(append '(a b) '((c d) e)) => (a b (c d) e)

Type Predicates

- Check the type of the argument and return #t or #f

(boolean? x)	; is x a boolean?
(char? x)	; is x a char?
(string? x)	; is x a string?
(symbol? x)	; is x a symbol?
(number? x)	; is x a number?
(list? x)	; is x a list?
(procedure? x)	; is x a procedure (function)?

Boolean Expressions

<code>(< 1 2)</code>	<code>=> #t</code>	
<code>(>= 3 4)</code>	<code>=> #f</code>	
<code>(= 4 4)</code>	<code>=> #t</code>	
<code>(eq? '(a b) '(a b))</code>	<code>=> #f</code>	; same object?
<code>(equal? '(a b) '(a b))</code> structure?	<code>=> #t</code>	; recursively equivalent
<code>(not (> 5 6))</code>	<code>=> #t</code>	
<code>(and (< 3 4) (= 2 3))</code>	<code>=> #f</code>	
<code>(or (< 3 4) (= 2 3))</code>	<code>=> #t</code>	

- **and**, **or** are special forms - evaluate arguments only while needed

Conditional Expressions

- **if** – has the form:

(if <test_exp> <then_exp> <else_exp>)

(if (< 5 6) 1 2) => 1

(if (< 4 3) 1 2) => 2

- Anything other than #f is treated as true:

(if 3 4 5) => 4

(if '() 4 5) => 4 ; as opposed to Lisp!!

- **if** is a special form - evaluates its arguments only when needed:

(if (= 3 4) 1 (2)) =~~E~~Error: attempt to apply non-procedure 2.

(if (= 3 3) 1 (2)) => 1

Conditional Expressions

- **cond** – has the form:

```
(cond
  (<test_exp1> <exp1> ...)
  (<test_exp2> <exp2> ...)
  ...
  (else <exp> ...))
```

```
(define n -5)
(cond ((< n 0) "negative")
      ((> n 0) "positive")
      (else "zero"))    => "negative"
```

- **cond** is a special form - evaluates its arguments only when needed

Syntax (C vs. Scheme)

C

1 + 2 + 3

3 + 4 * 5

factorial (9)

(a == b) && (c != 0)

(low < x) && (x < high)

f (g(2,-1), 7)

Scheme

(+ 1 2 3)

(+ 3 (* 4 5))

(factorial 9)

(and (= a b) (not (= c 0)))

(< low x high)

(f (g 2 -1) 7)

Functions

- **Create** a function by evaluating a **lambda expression**:

`(lambda (id1 id2 ...) exp1 exp2 ...)`

- `id1 id2 ...` - formal parameters
- `exp1 exp1 ...` - body of the function
- return value of function - last expression in body
- return value of lambda expression - the (un-named) function

`(lambda (x) (* x x))` `=> #<procedure>`

- Returns an un-named function that takes a parameter and returns its square

Functions

- **Call** a function by applying the evaluated lambda expression on its actual parameters:

$((\text{lambda } (x) (* x x)) 3) \Rightarrow 9$

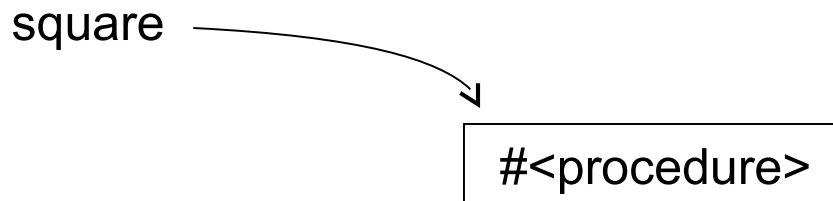
the function the actual parameter

- How can you reuse the function?
 - You can't!
- Why is it then useful?
 - Return a function from another function
- What if you REALLY want to reuse it?

Functions

- **Bind** a name to a function:

```
(define square (lambda (x) (* x x)))
```



- Equivalent short-hand notation (typical way to use it):

```
(define (square x) (* x x))
```

- Now call the function:

```
(square 3)    => 9
```

Functions

- Functions vs. variables:

```
(define f 3)
```

```
f                => 3
```

```
(f)              Error: attempt to apply non-procedure 3.
```

```
(define (f) 3)
```

```
f                #<procedure>
```

```
(f)              3      =>
```

- Last definition is equivalent to:

```
(define f (lambda () 3))    ; a function that takes no parameters and  
                             ; returns 3
```

Functions

C

```
if (a == 0)
    return f(x,y) ;
else
    return g(x,y) ;
```

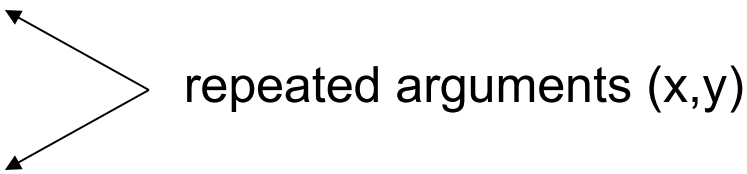
Scheme

```
(if (= a 0)
    (f x y)
    (g x y))
```

Functions

C

```
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    return g(x,y) ;
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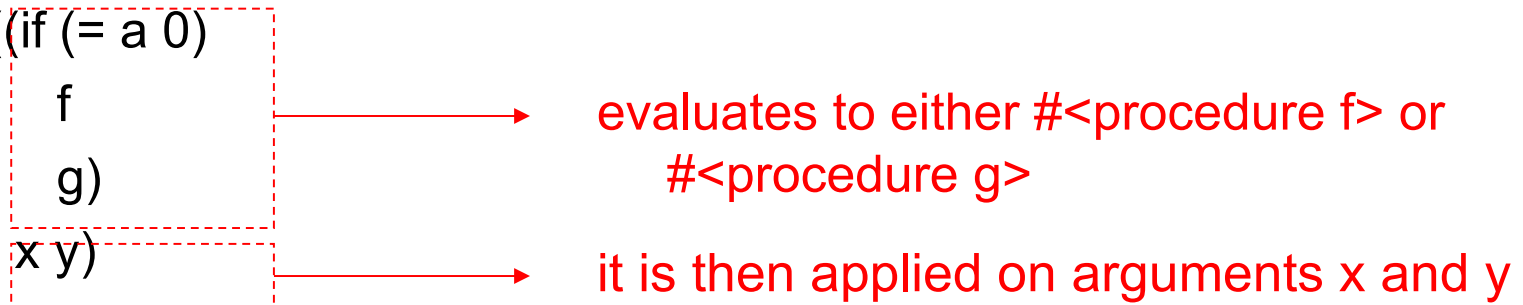


repeated arguments (x,y)

- Can we write it better in Scheme?

Scheme

```
((if (= a 0)
     f
     g)
 x y)
```



evaluates to either #<procedure f> or
#<procedure g>

it is then applied on arguments x and y

Interacting with Scheme

- Instead of writing everything at the Scheme prompt, you can:
 - write your function definitions and your global variable definitions (define...) in a file ("file_name")
 - at the Scheme prompt, load the file with: (load "file_name")
 - at the Scheme prompt call the desired functions
 - there is no "formal" main function

Announcements

- Homework
 - HW 2 out – due February 20
 - Submission
 - Submit your code in Canvas as one “hw2.txt” file containing all your functions.
 - The file must be able to load and be tested in the interpreter.
 - Consequently, the file must be in a plain text format; do not submit Word, PDF, RTF, JPG or any such types of files.
 - Also make sure that any auxiliary information (such as your name or question numbers) is commented out.

Recursion

- Recursion plays a greater role in Scheme than in other languages
- Why?
- Functional programming – avoid side effects (assignments) and iterations
- Recursive data structures – a list is either empty, or has a `car` and a `cdr`; the `cdr` is (again) a list
- Elegance – recursive algorithms are considered more elegant than iterative ones (just ask a Scheme or Lisp programmer!)

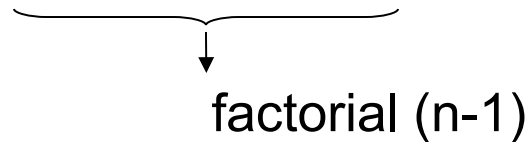
Recursion

- How do you solve a problem recursively?
- Do not rush to implement it
- Think of a recursive way to describe the problem:
 - Show how to solve the problem in the general case, by decomposing it into similar, but smaller problems
 - Show how to solve the smallest version of the problem (the base case)
- Now the implementation should be straightforward (in ANY language)
 - But don't forget to handle base case first when implementing

Recursion

- How do you THINK recursively?
- Example: define **factorial**

$$\text{factorial}(n) = 1 * 2 * 3 * \dots (n-1) * n$$


$$\text{factorial}(n-1)$$

$$\text{factorial}(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=1 & \text{(the base} \\ n * \text{factorial}(n-1) & \text{otherwise} & \text{inductive} \end{cases}$$

case)

step)

Recursion

- Implement **factorial** in Scheme:

```
(define (factorial n)
  (if (= n 1)
      1
      (* n (factorial (- n 1)))))
```

(factorial 4) => 24

Recursion

- **Fibonacci:**

$$\text{fib}(n) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ \text{fib}(n-1) + \text{fib}(n-2) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Implement in Scheme:

```
(define (fib n)
  (cond
    ((= n 0) 0)
    ((= n 1) 1)
    (else (+ (fib (- n 1)) (fib (- n 2))))))
```

Recursion

- **Length** of a list:

$$\text{len}(\text{lst}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if list is empty} \\ 1 + \text{len}(\text{lst-without-first-element}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Implement in Scheme:

```
(define (len lst)
  (if (null? lst)
      0
      (+ 1 (len (cdr lst)))))
```

Recursion

- **Sum** of elements in a list of numbers:

$$\text{sum}(\text{lst}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if list is empty} \\ \text{first-element} + \text{sum}(\text{lst-without-first-element}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Implement in Scheme:

```
(define (sum lst)
  (if (null? lst)
      0
      (+ (car lst) (sum (cdr lst)))))
```

Recursion

- Check **membership** in a list:

```
(define (member? x lst)
```

```
  (cond
```

```
    ((null? lst) #f)
```

```
    ((equal? x (car lst)) #t)
```

```
    (else (member? x (cdr lst))))))
```

Recursion

- Return the **nth** element in a list:

`(caddddddd...dddddddr lst)` ; don't try this at home!

`(define (nth lst n)` ; assumes *lst* is non-empty and $n \geq 0$

`(if (= n 0)`

`(car lst)`

`(nth (cdr lst) (- n 1))))`

- Return a **reversed** list:

`(define (reverse lst)`

`(if (null? lst)`

`lst`

`(append (reverse (cdr lst)) (list (car lst)))))`

Recursion

- In general:
 - When recurring on a list `lst`, ask two questions about it: `(null? lst)` and `else`
 - When recurring on a number `n`, ask two questions about it: `(= n 0)` and `else`
 - When recurring on a list `lst`, make your recursive call on `(cdr lst)`
 - When recurring on a number `n`, make your recursive call on `(- n 1)`

Local Definitions

- **let** - has a list of bindings and a body
 - each binding associates a name to a value
 - bindings are local (visible only in the body of **let**)
 - **let** returns the last expression in the body

```
> (let ((a 2) (b 3)) ; list of bindings
    (+ a b))          ; body - expression to evaluate and
return
```

5

a => Error: variable a is not bound.

b => Error: variable b is not bound.

Local Definitions

- Factor out common sub-expressions:

$$f(x,y) = x(1+xy)^2 + y(1-y) + (1+xy)(1-y)$$

$$a = 1+xy$$

$$b = 1-y$$

$$f(x,y) = xa^2 + yb + ab$$

Local Definitions

$$a = 1 + xy$$

$$b = 1 - y$$

$$f(x, y) = xa^2 + yb + ab$$

- Locally define the common sub-expressions:

```
(define (f x y)
  (let ((a (+ 1 (* x y)))
        (b (- 1 y)))
    (+ (* x a a) (* y b) (* a b))))
```

(f 1 2) => 4

Local Definitions

- Functions can also be declared locally:

```
(let ((a 3)
      (b 4)
      (square (lambda (x) (* x x)))
      (plus +))
  (sqrt (plus (square a) (square b))))    => 5
```

Local Definitions

- **let** makes its bindings in parallel:

```
(define x 'a)
(define y 'b)
(list x y)           => (a b)
```

```
(let ((x y) (y x)) (list x y))    => (b a)
```

↓ ↓
b a

1. First evaluate all expressions in the binding list
2. Then bind all names in binding list to those values

Local Definitions

- Bad **let** bindings:

```
(let ((x 1)
      (y (+ x 1)))
  (list x y))
bound.
```

=> Error: variable x is not

- What if we want y to be computed in terms of x?
 - Need to use **let***

Local Definitions

- **let*** - similar to **let**, except that bindings are made sequentially

```
(let* ((x 1) (y (+ x 1)))  
  (list x y))          => (1 2)
```

- How can you do this using **let**?
- **let*** is equivalent to ("syntactic sugar" for):

```
(let ((x 1))  
  (let ((y (+ x 1)))  
    (list x y)))
```


Local Definitions

- What if we want to locally define a recursive function?
- **letrec** - similar to **let***, but allows recursive definitions
- Define factorial locally:

```
(letrec ((factorial (lambda (n)
                      (if (= n 1)
                          1
                          (* n (factorial (- n 1)))))))
  (factorial 5))
```

=> 120

Indentation

- Indentation is essential in Scheme. With all these parentheses, we need something to depend on
- There are two main schools of thought on this:

(define (f x)		(define (f x)
(let ((a 1))		(let ((a 1))
	(if (< OR	(if (< x 5)
x 5)		(+ a x)
	(+	(* a x)
a x))
	(* a)
x)))))	

- You may choose the style you like most, but be consistent and ALWAYS indent. Otherwise you will not be able to read or debug your own program

Input and Output

- **read** - returns the input from the keyboard

```
> (read)
```

```
234                ; user types this
```

```
234                ; the read function returns this
```

```
> (read)
```

```
"hello world"
```

```
"hello world"
```

- **display** - prints its single parameter to the screen

```
> (display "hello world")
```

```
hello world
```

```
> (display (+ 2 3))
```

```
5
```

Input and Output

- **newline** - displays a new line
- Define a function that asks for input:

```
(define (ask-them str)
  (display str)
  (read))
```

```
> (ask-them "How old are you? ")
How old are you? 32
32
```

Input and Output

- Define a function that asks for a number (if it's not a number it keeps asking):

```
(define (ask-number)
  (display "Enter a number: ")
  (let ((n (read)))
    (if (number? n)
        n
        (ask-number))))
```

```
> (ask-number)
```

```
Enter a number: a
```

```
Enter a number: (5 6)
```

```
Enter a number: "Why don't you like these?"
```

```
Enter a number: 7
```

```
7
```

Input and Output

- An outer-level function to go with `factorial`, that reads the input, computes the factorial and displays the result:

```
(define (factorial-interactive)
  (display "Enter an integer: ")
  (let ((n (read)))
    (display "The factorial of ")
    (display n)
    (display " is ")
    (display (factorial n))
    (newline))))
```

```
> (factorial-interactive)
```

```
Enter an integer: 4
```

```
The factorial of 4 is 24
```

Announcements

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Higher-Order Functions

- In Scheme, a function is a **first-class object** – it can be passed as an argument to another function, it can be returned as a result from another function, and it can be created dynamically
- A function is called a **higher-order function** if it takes a function as a parameter, or returns a function as a result

Higher-Order Functions

- **map**
 - takes as arguments a function and a sequence of lists
 - there must be as many lists as arguments of the function, and lists must have same length
 - applies the function on corresponding sets of elements from the lists
 - returns all the results in a list

```
(define (square x) (* x x))
```

```
(map square '(1 2 3 4 5)) => (1 4 9 16 25)
```

```
(map + '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6))    =>          (5 7 9)
```

- You can also define the function in-place:

```
(map (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) '(1 2 3)) =>          (2 4 6)
```

Higher-Order Functions

- **apply**

- takes a function and a list
- there must be as many elements in the list as arguments of the function
- applies the function with the elements in the list as arguments

`(apply * '(5 6))` \Rightarrow 30

`(apply append '((a b) (c d)))` \Rightarrow ~~(a b c d)~~

- Comparison to **eval**:

`(eval <expression>)` **or** `(eval (<func> <arg1> <arg2>...))`

`(apply <func> (<arg1> <arg2>...))`

Higher-Order Functions

- Define a function **compose**, that composes two functions given as parameters:

```
(define (compose f g)
  (lambda (x)
    (f (g x))))
```

```
((compose car cdr) '(1 2 3))    =>
```

- compose** not only takes functions as arguments, but also returns a function

Higher-Order Functions

- Define a function **filter**, that takes a predicate function (one that returns #t or #f) and a list, and returns a list containing only elements that satisfy the predicate:

```
(define (filter f lst)
  (cond
    ((null? lst)      '())
    ((f (car lst))    (cons (car lst) (filter f (cdr lst))))
    (else              (filter f (cdr lst)))))
```

```
(filter number? '(a 4 (1 2) "testing" +))    =(4)
(filter (lambda (x) (>= x 0)) '(-2 3 -1 1 4)) =(3 1 4)
```

Higher-Order Functions

- Building procedures:

```
(define (greater-than-n? n)
  (lambda (x) (>= x n)))
```

```
greater-than-n?          =#<procedure>
```

```
(greater-than-n? 2)      =#<procedure>
```

; this is a predicate with one parameter x, that checks if $x \geq 2$

```
((greater-than-n? 2) 3) =>          #t
```

```
(define greater-than-2? (greater-than-n? 2))
```

```
(greater-than-2? 3)      => #t
```

Sequencing

- **begin**
 - defines a block of expressions that are sequentially evaluated
 - returns the last expression in the block

```
(begin <exp1> <exp2> ... <expn>)
```
- Typical use - in **if** expressions, where normally only one expression is allowed for each branch:

```
(if (< x 0)
    (begin
      (display "negative")
      (f x))
    (begin
      (display "positive")
      (g x)))
```

Programming without Side-Effects

```
(define x 1)
```

```
(+ x 1)           => 2
```

```
x                => 1
```

```
(define y '(1 2 3))
```

```
(reverse y)       => (3 2 1)
```

```
y                => (1 2 3)
```

- Functions compute a result based on the input, and return it
- They do not alter the input

Coming Next

- What is missing so far?
- assignment operations
- iterations ("for", "while"...)
- pointers
- allocation

Imperative Features

- So far, almost everything we discussed has conformed to a "pure" functional programming style (without side-effects)
- What has not?
 - define
 - display
- Significant departure from functional programming - discuss a number of imperative extensions to the Scheme language
 - assignment, iteration
- In general, functional programming is the preferred style (also easier to use) in Scheme

Assignment

- **set!**
 - assigns a value to a variable
 - return value is unspecified

```
(set! x 1)
```

```
(set! y "apple")
```

- Difference between **set!** and **define**:
 - **define** introduces a new symbol in the current scope, and binds it to a value
 - **set!** modifies an existing symbol

Assignment

- Difference between `set!` and `define`:

(begin

 (define x 3)

 (display x)

 (let ((y 4))

 (define x 5)

 (display x))

 (display x))

(begin

 (define x 3)

 (display x)

 (let ((y 4))

 (set! x 5)

 (display x))

 (display x))

What is displayed? 353

What is displayed? 355

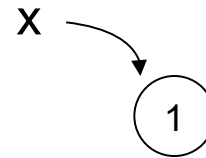
- `define` introduced a new variable `x`, locally within `let`
- `set!` just changed the global variable `x`

Internal Structure of Expressions

- Implicitly, all variables are pointers that are bound to values

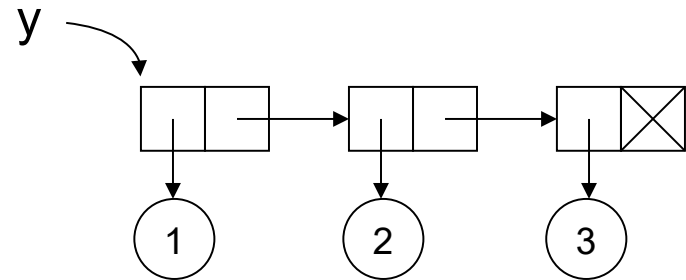
- Atom values:

`(define x 1)`



- List values:

`(define y '(1 2 3))`



- Each element in the list is a **cons cell**, which contains:
 - a pointer to a value
 - a pointer to the next cons cell

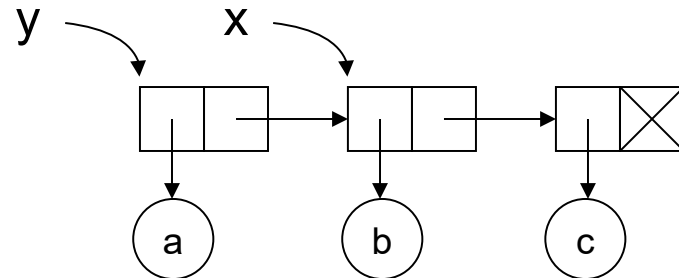
Internal Structure of Expressions

(define x '(b c))

(define y (cons 'a x))

x => (b c)

y => (a b c)

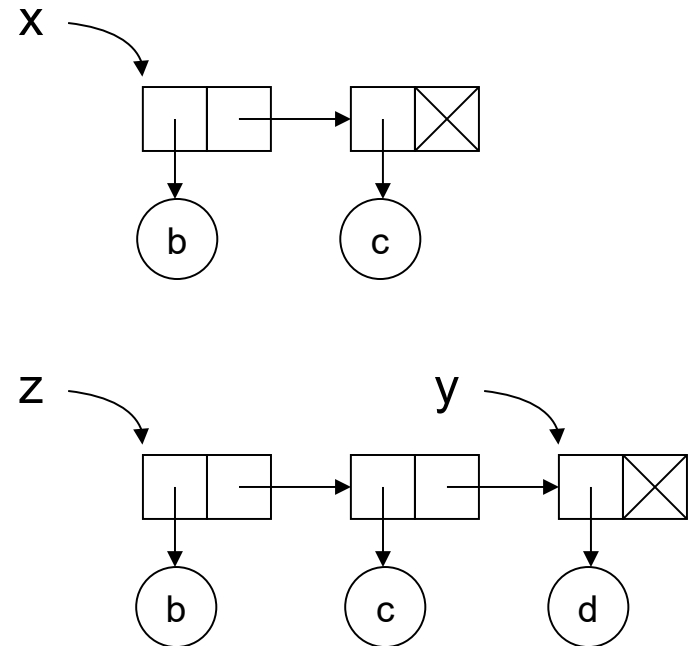


- `cons` did not alter list `x`
- the list elements `b` and `c` are shared
- no side-effects

Internal Structure of Expressions

```
(define x '(b c))  
(define y '(d))  
(define z (append x y))
```

x => (b c)
y => (d)
z => (b c d)

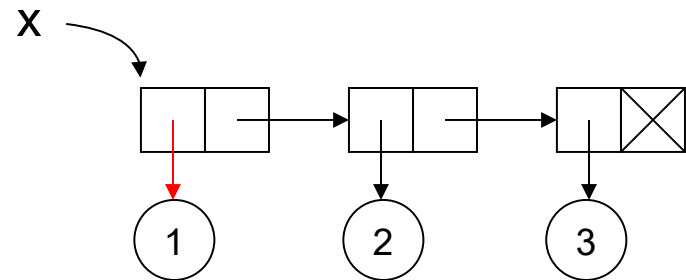


- in order not to alter list x, **append** created new instances of *b*, *c*
- no side-effects

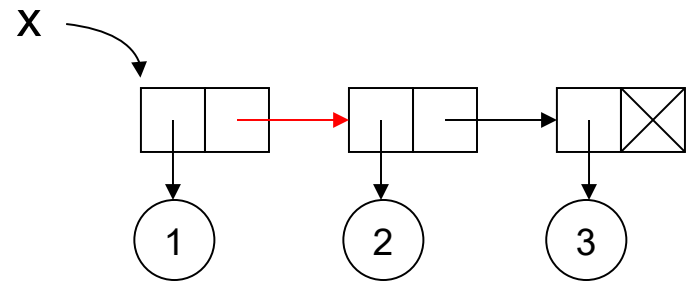
List Surgery

- To alter the structure of a list:

- **set-car!** - changes the *pointer-to-value* in the first cons cell



- **set-cdr!** - changes the *pointer-to-next* in the first cons cell



- They alter the arguments (lists) passed to them
- Exclamation mark (!) traditionally used in names of functions that alter their arguments
- Exhibit side-effects, not a functional feature

List Surgery

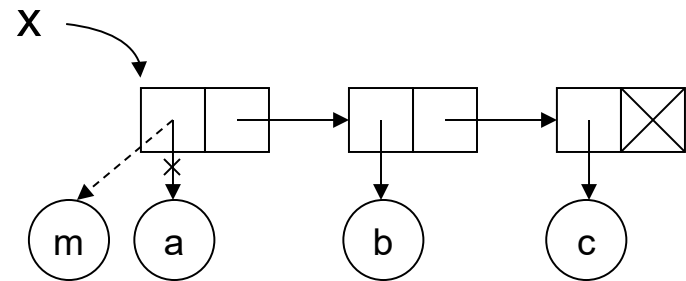
- Change the first element in a list:

```
(define x '(a b c))
```

x => (a b c)

```
(set-car! x 'm)
```

x (m b c)

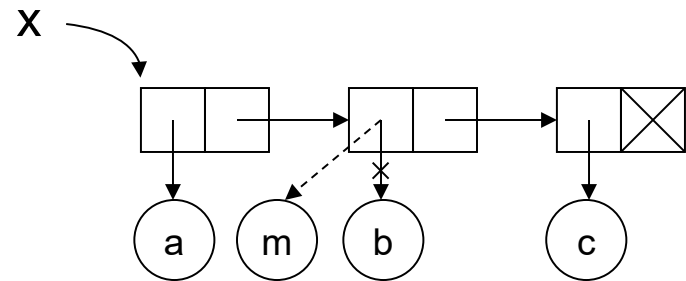


List Surgery

- Change the second element in a list:

```
(define x '(a b c))
```

x => (a b c)



```
(set-car! (cdr x) 'm)
```

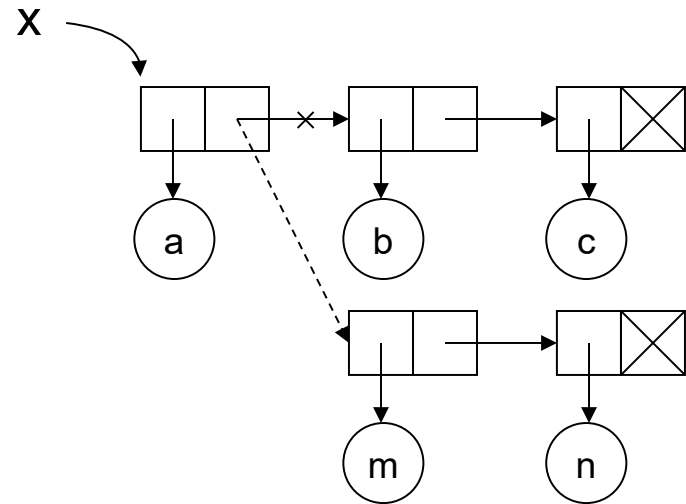
x (a m ~~b~~)

List Surgery

- Change the list tail:

```
(define x '(a b c))
```

x => (a b c)



```
(set-cdr! x '(m n))
```

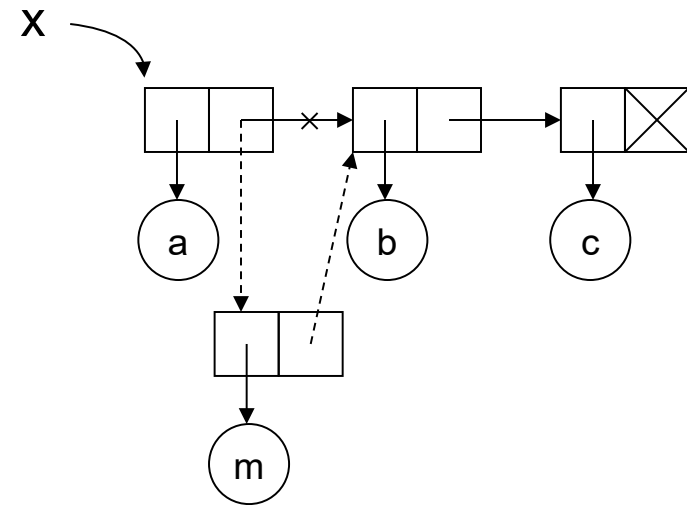
x (a m n)

List Surgery

- Insert an element in the second position:

```
(define x '(a b c))
```

x => (a b c)



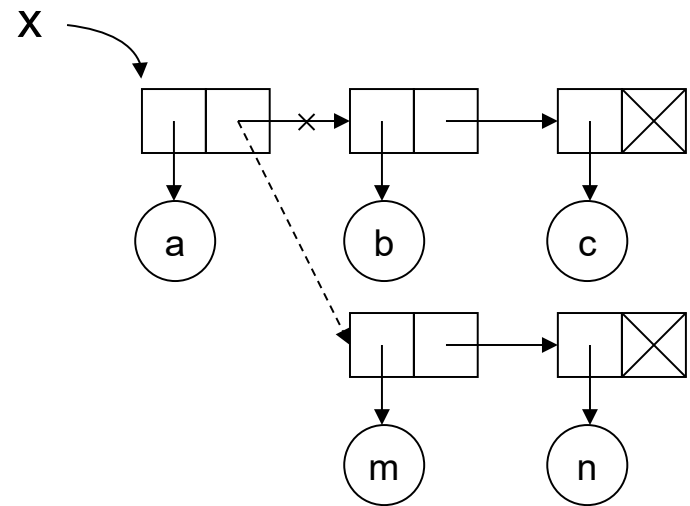
```
(set-cdr! x (cons 'm (cdr x)))
```

x (a m b c)

Memory Management

- The programmer never needs to explicitly allocate memory
- Memory is allocated as needed by the language implementation (interpreter)

```
(define x '(a b c))  
(set-cdr! x '(m n))
```



- How can the memory be deallocated? What happens to the list (b c)?
 - **Garbage collection** (periodically checks and deallocates any memory cells that are not referenced by anyone)

Iteration

- **do**
 - very general iteration mechanism
 - has three parts
 - a list of triples (<variable> <init-value> <update-value>)
 - a pair (<termination-test> <return-value>)
 - body (sequence of expressions to be evaluated in each iteration)

Iteration

- Display all integer numbers from 0 to n:

```
(define (display-num n)
  (do ( (i 0 (+ i 1)) )      ; initially 0, incremented each iteration
      ( (> i n) "Done!" )   ; termination test and return value
      (display i)           ; body
      (newline)))          ; body
```

```
> (display-num 3)
```

```
0
```

```
1
```

```
2
```

```
3
```

```
"Done!"
```

Iteration

- Iterative version of **factorial**:

```
(define (factorial-iter n)
  (do ( (i 1 (+ i 1)) ; initially 1, incremented each iteration
        (a 1 (* a i)) ; initially 1, set to a*i each iteration
        ( (> i n) a ))) ; termination test and return value
                                ; empty body
```

```
> (factorial-iter 5)
120
```

Iteration

- Display the first n **Fibonacci** numbers:

```
(define (display-fib n)
  (do ( (i 0 (+ i 1)) ; initially 0, incremented each iteration
      (a1 0 a2)      ; initially 0, set to a2 each iteration
      (a2 1 (+ a1 a2)) ; initially 1, set to a1+a2 each iteration
      ( (= i n) "Done!" ) ; termination test and return value
      (display a1) ; body
      (display " "))) ; body
```

```
> (display-fib 7)
0 1 1 2 3 5 8 "Done!"
```


A Checkbook Program

```
(define (checkbook)
  (letrec ((IB "Enter initial balance: ")
            (AT "Enter transaction (- for withdrawal): ")
            (FB "Your final balance is: ")

            (prompt-read (lambda (Prompt)
                          (display Prompt)
                          (read))))

    ; Compute the new balance given an initial balance init and a new transaction t
    ; Termination occurs when t is 0
    (newbal (lambda (Init t)
              (if (= t 0)
                  (list FB Init)
                  (transaction (+ Init t))))))

    ; Read the next transaction and pass the information to newbal
    (transaction (lambda (Init)
                  (newbal Init (prompt-read AT))))))

; Body of checkbook - prompts for the starting balance
(transaction (prompt-read IB)))
```

A Checkbook Program

- Here is a sample run:

 > (checkbook)
 Enter initial balance: 100
 Enter transaction (- for withdrawal): -20
 Enter transaction (- for withdrawal): -40
 Enter transaction (- for withdrawal): 150
 Enter transaction (- for withdrawal): 0
 ("Your final balance is: " 190)
- Note the use of recursion instead of iteration

Announcements

- Readings
 - Chapter 3, up to 3.2.3