## Clojure programming language & it's ecosystem

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## What is Clojure?

LISP



Figure 1: Lisp Cycles, https://xkcd.com/297/

Rich Hickey



Figure 2: Rich Hickey at the first Clojure Conj in 2010, https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/2.0/

#### What is LISP?

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efun \mathfrak{P}(\mathfrak{f}) ((\lambda (g) (funcall g g)) (\lambda (x) (funcall f
(\(\lambda\) (apply (funcall \(\xi\) \(\alpha\)))))
 efun fib (n) (funcall (\mathbb{U} (\lambda(f) (\lambda (n a b) (if (< n I)
 a (funcall f (I- n) b (+ a b))))) n o I)
 efun fac (n) (funcall (\mathfrak{P}(\lambda(f)) (\lambda(n) (if (3erop n) I
 (★ n (funcall f (I- n)))))) n)
(mapcar #'fib '(i ij iij iv v vi
                       viii
           iii v
(mapcar #'fac '(i ii iii iv v vi
                  DCCEE VEL EDCCCEE EEEVIMMDCCCLEEE
```

Figure 3: Y Combinator Codex by emacsomancer.

#### What is LISP?

- LISt Processing language
- 2nd oldest High-Level Language after FORTRAN
- 1958 John McCarthy



Figure 4: John McCarthy at work in his artificial intelligence laboratory at Stanford

# Why Clojure?

- Designed with simplicity
- Functional Programming
- Data Oriented



Figure 5: Code? Data? Code? Data?

## Functional Programming

- Immutability
- Referential transparency
- Easy to think about systems
- Parallel and concurrent programming