UMass Boston Computer Science

CS450 High Level Languages (section 2)

Function "Arithmetic" and the Lambda Calculus

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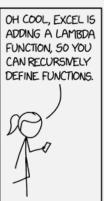
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Logistics

- HW 5 out
 - due: Mon 10/14 12pm (noon) EST
- HW 6
 - out: Mon 10/14 12pm (noon) EST
 - due: Mon 10/21 12pm (noon) EST
- NOTE: no class next Monday 10/14



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HW3 Observations / Reminders

- if not allowed ...
 - cond is for itemizations or enumerations only
 - e.g., toggle-recfill

```
;; toggle-recfill : ShapeFill -> ShapeFill
(define (toggle-recfill filltype)
  (cond
   [(solid-fill? filltype) ....]
  [(outline-fill? filltype) ....])
```

- ... if sometimes allowed
 - Will be indicated in hw description
 - Must be <u>clear</u> when reading the code, e.g.,
 - maybe-insert-Note
 - maybe-mark-Note-hit

```
;; A ShapeFill is one of
;; - "solid"
;; - "outline"
;; Interp: specifies
2htdp/image shape fill style;
safisfies mode? from
2htdp/image
```

Should be spending most of your time on data definitions

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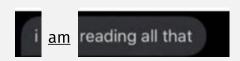
1 function, 1 task, that processes 1 kind of data

```
• e.g., key-handler
```

Use helper function(s)

i ain't reading all that

HW3 Observations / Reminders



- Read instructions carefully
 - and ask clarification questions (preferably with examples) early!

```
(main)
; (main) ; NOTE: your submitted program should not run anything!
```

Last Time

Common List Function #1: map

```
;; map: (X -> Y) Listof<X> -> Listof<Y>
;; Produces a list resulting from applying
;; a given fn to each element of a given lst
```

```
function "application"
(in high-level languges)
= function "call" (in
imperative languages)
```

```
(\text{map proc lst }...+) \rightarrow \text{list?} procedure proc : procedure? lst : list?
```

Applies *proc* to the elements of the *lst*s from the first elements to the last. The *proc* argument must accept the same number of arguments as the number of supplied *lst*s, and all *lst*s must have the same number of elements. The result is a list containing each result of *proc* in order.

Examples:

RACKET's map takes multiple lists

map in other high-level languages

Array.prototype.map()

The map() method of Array instances creates a new array populated with the results of calling a provided function on every element in the calling array.

```
JavaScript Demo: Array.map()

1 const array1 = [1, 4, 9, 16];

2 // Pass a function to map
4 const map1 = array1.map((x) => x * 2);

5 console.log(map1);

7 // Expected output: Array [2, 8, 18, 32]

Lambda

("arrow function expression")
```

Python3

```
# Add two lists using map and lambda

numbers1 = [1, 2, 3]
numbers2 = [4, 5, 6]

result = map(lambda x, y: x + y, numbers1, numbers2)
print(list(result))
```

Common List Function #2: fold1 / foldr

```
;; foldr: (X Y -> Y) Y Listof<X> -> Y
  Computes a single value from given list, determined by given fn and initial val.
;; fn is applied to each list element, last-element-first
                                                            (1 + (2 + (3 + 0)))
(define (foldr fn initial lst)
                                                            (1 - (2 - (3 - 0)))
 (cond
   [(empty? lst) initial]
   [else (fn (first lst) (foldr fn initial (rest lst)))]))
;; foldl: (X Y -> Y) Y Listof<X> -> Y
  Computes a single value from given list, determined by given fn and initial val.
  fn is applied to each list element, first-element-first
                                                            (((1 + 0) + 2) + 3)
(define (foldl fn result-so-far lst)
                                                            (((1 - 0) - 2) - 3)
 (cond
   [(empty? lst) result-so-far]
   [else (foldl fn (fn (first lst) result-so-far) (rest lst)))]))
```

Last Time

fold (reduce) in other high-level languages

```
JavaScript Demo: Array.reduce()
1 const array1 = [1, 2, 3, 4];
                                                       lambda
                                                                                  "initial"
                            "list"
  const initialValue = 0;
  const sumWithInitial = array1.reduce((resultSoFar, x) \stackrel{\forall}{=} resultSoFar + x, initial);
  console.log(sumWithInitial);
   // Expected output: 10
                                         JavaScript Demo: Array.reduceRight()
                                          1 const array1 = [
                                              [0, 1],
                                              [2, 3],
                                              [4, 5],
                                                                                                        "initial" optional?
                                          7 const result = array1.reduceRight((resultSoFar, x) => resultSoFar.concat(x));
                                          9 console.log(result);
                                            // Expected output: Array [4, 5, 2, 3, 0, 1]
                                         11
```

Fold "dual": build-list

```
(build-list \ n \ proc) → list? procedure n: exact-nonnegative-integer? proc: (exact-nonnegative-integer? . -> . any)
```

Creates a list of n elements by applying proc to the integers from 0 to (sub1 n) in order. If lst is the resulting list, then (list-ref lst i) is the value produced by (proc i).

Examples:

```
> (build-list 10 values)
'(0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9)
> (build-list 5 (lambda (x) (* x x)))
'(0 1 4 9 16)
```

```
(build-list 4 add1)

;; = (map add1 (list 0 1 2 3))

;; = (list 1 2 3 4)
```

Fold "alternative": apply (and variable-arity fns)

- apply applies its function arg to the contents of its list arg
- function arg to apply must accept:
 # of arguments = <u>length</u> of list arg

Common list function #3: filter

```
;; filter: Listof<X> (X -> Boolean) -> Listof<X>
;; Returns a list containing elements of given list
;; for which the given predicate returns true
```

filter in other high-level languages

```
JavaScript Demo: Array.filter()

1   const words = ['spray', 'limit', 'elite', 'exuberant', 'destruction', 'present'];
2   const result = words.filter((word) => word.length > 6);
4   console.log(result);
6   // Expected output: Array ["exuberant", "destruction", "present"]
7
```

Common list function #3: filter

```
;; filter: Listof<X> (X -> Boolean) -> Listof<X>
  Returns a list containing elements of a lambda rules:
;; for which the given predicate returns
                                           - Can skip the design recipe steps,
                                             <u>BUT</u>
(define (filter lst pred?)
                                           - name, description, and signature
  (cond
                                             must be "obvious"
   [(empty? lst) empty]
   [else (if (pred? (first lst))
                                           - code is arithmetic only
             (cons (first lst) (filter (re
                                           - otherwise, create standalone
             (filter (rest lst)))]))
                                             function define
```

```
;; smaller-than: Listof<Int> Int -> Listof<Int>
;; Returns a list containing elements of given list less than the given int

(define (smaller-than lst thresh)
   (filter (lambda (x) (< x thresh)) lst)</pre>
```

Functions as Values

- In high-level languages, functions are no different from other values (e.g., numbers)
- They can be passed around, or be the result of a function

- lambda is just one way to "make" functions
- We can also do "arithmetic" with functions

Currying

- A "curried" function is "partially" applied to some (but not all) args
- Result is another function

```
(curry < 4)
;; = a function that returns true when given a number less than 4</pre>
```

```
(define (smaller-than lst thresh)
  (filter (lambda (x) (< x thresh)) lst)

(define (smaller-than lst thresh)
  (filter (curry > thresh)) lst)
```

History Lesson: Haskell B. Curry

- Mathematician / Logician
- Born in Millis, MA, in year 1900



- "currying" functions is named after him
- and also, the "Haskell" (functional) programming language
- Invented "combinatory logic", i.e., a system of function "arithmetic"

Currying

NOTE: First argument gets curried first

Composing Functions

- compose combines multiple functions into one function
 - last one is applied first

```
(compose sqrt add1)
;; = a function that first applies add1 to its argument, then sqrt
((compose sqrt add1) 8) ; = 3
```

Composing Functions

- compose combines multiple functions into one function
 - last one is applied first

```
6(apply
  5 above
    (build-list | ; = (list 0 1 2 3 4)
     (compose4(curryr square "solid" "blue")
              3(curry * 20) | ; = (list 20 40 60 80 100)
             2 add1))); = (list 1 2 3 4 5)
; = (\delta\text{bove (square 20 "solid" "blue")
                                             ; = (list (square 20 "solid" "blue")
           (square 40 "solid" "blue")
                                                        (square 40 "solid" "blue")
           (square 60 "solid" "blue")
                                                        (square 60 "solid" "blue")
           (square 80 "solid" "blue")
                                                        (square 80 "solid" "blue")
           (square 100 "solid" "blue"))
                                                        (square 100 "solid" "blue"))
```

The Lambda (λ) Calculus

- A "programming language" consisting of only:
 - Lambda
 - Function application
- Equivalent in "computational power" to
 - Turing Machines
 - Your favorite programming language!

History Lesson: Alonzo Church

- Mathematician, logician, computer scientist
- Invented the lambda calculus

- And (half of) Church-Turing Thesis
 - Any function that can be "computed" has an equivalent Turing Machine
 - And an equivalent program in the lambda calculus
 - so, a Turing Machine = a lambda



Church Numerals

```
;; A ChurchNum is a function with two arguments:
;; "fn" : a function to apply
;; "base" : a base ("zero") value to apply to
;; For a specific number, its "Church" representation
;; applies the given function that number of times
(define czero
                                Function applied <u>zero</u> times
  (lambda (f base) base))
(define cone
                                    Function applied <u>one</u> times
  (lambda (f base) (f base)))
(define ctwo
                                          Function applied <u>two</u> times
  (lambda (f base) (f (f base))))
(define cthree
                                                 Function applied <u>three</u> times
  (lambda (f base) (f (f (f base)))))
```

Church "Add1"

(define cone

(define ctwo

```
;; cplus1 : ChurchNum -> ChurchNum
                                 ;; "Adds" 1 to the given Church num
                                 (define cplus1
                                                                 Input ChurchNum
                                   (lambda (n≯
                                      (lambda (f base) ←
                                                                 Returns a ChurchNum ...
                                        (f (n_f base)))))
(define czero
                                                  (we know "n" will apply f n times)
  (lambda (f base) base))
                                                  ... that adds an extra application of f
  (lambda (f base) (f base)))
  (lambda (f base) (f (f base))))
(define cthree
  (lambda (f base) (f (f (f base)))))
```

Church Addition

```
;; cplus : ChurchNum ChurchNum -> ChurchNum
                                 ;; "Adds" the given ChurchNums together
                                 (define cplus
                                                                 Input ChurchNums
                                   (lambda (m n) ←
                                     (lambda (f base) ←
                                                                 Returns a ChurchNum ...
                                        (m f (n f base)))))
(define czero
                                                  (we know "n" will apply f n times)
  (lambda (f base) base))
                                                  ... that adds "m" extra application of f
(define cone
  (lambda (f base) (f base)))
(define ctwo
  (lambda (f base) (f (f base))))
(define cthree
  (lambda (f base) (f (f (f base)))))
```

Code Demo 1

Church Booleans

```
;; A ChurchBool is a function with two arguments,
;; where the representation of:
;; "true" returns the first arg, and
;; "false" returns the second arg
```

```
(define ctrue
  (lambda (a b) a))

(define cfalse
  (lambda (a b) b))

Returns first arg

Returns second arg
```

Review: "And"

The truth table of $A \wedge B$:

| A | B | $A \wedge B$ |
|-------|-------|--------------|
| True | True | True |
| True | False | False |
| False | True | False |
| False | False | False |

When A = True, then And(A, B) = B

When A = False, then And(A, B) = A

Church "And"

;; cand: ChurchBool ChurchBool-> ChurchBool
;; "ands" the given ChurchBools together

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|-------|-------|--------------|
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| False | True | False |
| False | False | False |

```
When A = \text{True}, want \text{And}(A, B) = B
```

```
When A = False, want And(A, B) = A
```

```
(define cand
  (lambda (A B)
    (A B A)))
(define ctrue
                         (Returns first arg)
  (lambda (a b) a))
;; if A = ctrue
;; then (A B A) = | B |
;; want (cand A B) = B
(define cfalse
                         (Returns second arg)
```

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(lambda (a b) b))

;; then (A B A) = A ✓

;; want (cand A B) = A

;; if A = cfalse

Church "Or"

```
;; cor: ChurchBool ChurchBool-> ChurchBool
;; "or" the given ChurchBools together
```

```
\begin{array}{c|cccc} A & B & A \vee B \\ \hline \text{True} & \text{True} & \text{True} \\ \hline \text{True} & \text{False} & \text{True} \\ \hline \text{False} & \text{True} & \text{True} \\ \hline \text{False} & \text{False} & \text{False} \\ \hline \end{array}
```

```
When A = \text{True}, want \text{Or}(A, B) = A
```

```
When A = False, want Or(A, B) = B
```

```
(define ctrue
  (lambda (a b) a))
```

(lambda (A B)

(A A B)))

(define cor

```
;; if A = ctrue
;; then (A A B) = A
```

;; want
$$(cor A B) = A$$

```
(define cfalse
  (lambda (a b) b))
```

(Returns second arg)

(Returns first arg)

;; want
$$(cor A B) = B$$

Code Demo 2

Church Pairs (Lists)

```
;; A ChurchPair<X,Y> 1-arg function, where
;; the arg fn is applied to (i.e., "selects") the X and Y data values
;; ccons: X Y -> ChurchPair(X,Y>
(define ccons
  (lambda (x y)
    (lambda (geť)
      (get x y^*))
                                "Gets" the first item
(define cfirst
  (lambda (cc)
    (cc (lambda (x y) x)))
                                "Gets" the second item
(define csecond
  (lambda (cc)
    (cc (lambda (x y) y))))
                                                                             45
```

Code Demo 3

The Lambda Calculus

- A "programming language" consisting of only:
 - Lambda
 - Function application
- "Language" has:
 - Numbers
 - Booleans and conditionals
 - Lists
 - •
 - Recursion?