

Class Announcements

- Fourth homework and first project: Deadline extension - Wednesday, March 29.
- First project: More ILOC test cases have been posted (test0.out, ... test14.out)
REMINDER: Please do not copy or share code. We will use plagiarism tools to detect software similarities.
- Fifth homework has been posted.
- Midterms
 - First midterm. If you want to request a regrade, you must do so by Wednesday, April 29.
 - Second midterm will be on April 11.
 - Final (third midterm) exam on Thursday, May 4, noon - 3:00pm timeslot. Location: most likely this room.
Any CONFLICTS with other classes?

Scheme: Functions as Values (Higher-order)

Functions as arguments:

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

- (f number? 0)
⇒ (number? 0) ⇒ #t
- (f length '(1 2))
⇒ (length '(1 2)) ⇒ 2
- (f (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) 3)
⇒ ((lambda (x) (* 2 x)) 3)
⇒ (* 2 3) ⇒ 6

REMINDER: **Computation**, i.e., **function application** is performed by **reducing** the initial S-expression (program) to an S-expression that represents a value. **Reduction** is performed by **substitution**, i.e., replacing formal by actual arguments in the function body. This is a rewrite system.

Examples for S-expressions that directly represent values, i.e., cannot be further reduced:

- function values (e.g.: (lambda(x) e))
- constants (e.g.: 3, #t)

Higher-order Functions (Cont.)

Functions as returned values:

```
(define plusn  
  (lambda (n) (lambda (x) (+ n x))))
```

- `(plusn 5)` evaluates to a function that adds 5 to its argument

Question: How would you write down the value of `(plusn 5)`?

- `((plusn 5) 6)  $\Rightarrow$  11`

Higher-order Functions (Cont.)

In general, any n -ary function

```
(lambda (x_1 x_2 ... x_n) e)
```

can be rewritten as a nest of n unary functions:

```
(lambda (x_1)
  (lambda (x_2)
    ( ... (lambda (x_n) e ) ... )))
```

This translation process is called currying. It means that having functions with multiple parameters do not add anything to the expressiveness of the language.

Question: How to write an application of the original vs. the curried version?

```
((lambda (x_1 x_2 ... x_n) e) v_1 v_2 ... v_n)
```

```
(( ...
  ((lambda (x_1)
    (lambda (x_2)
      ( ...
        (lambda (x_n) e )...))) v_1) v_2) ... v_n)
```

Higher-order Functions: map

```
(define map
  (lambda (f l)
    (if (null? l)
        '()
        (cons (f (car l)) (map f (cdr l)))
    )
  )
)
```

- **map** takes two arguments: a function and a list
- **map** builds a new list by applying the function to every element of the (old) list

Higher-order Functions: map

- Example:

```
(map abs '(-1 2 -3 4)) ⇒  
(1 2 3 4)
```

```
(map (lambda (x) (+ 1 x)) '(-1 2 -3)) ⇒  
(0 3 -2)
```

- Actually, the built-in **map** can take more than two arguments:

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

More on Higher Order Functions

reduce

Higher order function that takes a binary, associative operation and uses it to “roll-up” a list

```
(define reduce
  (lambda (op l id)
    (if (null? l)
        id
        (op (car l) (reduce op (cdr l) id)) )))
```

Example:

```
(reduce + '(10 20 30) 0) ⇒
(+ 10 (reduce + '(20 30) 0)) ⇒
(+ 10 (+ 20 (reduce + '(30) 0))) ⇒
(+ 10 (+ 20 (+ 30 (reduce + '() 0)))) ⇒
(+ 10 (+ 20 (+ 30 0))) ⇒
60
```

More on Higher Order Functions

Now we can compose higher order functions to form compact powerful functions

Examples:

```
(define sum  
  (lambda (f l)  
    (reduce + (map f l) 0) ))
```

`(sum (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) '(1 2 3))` $\Rightarrow$

`(reduce (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) '(a b c) 0)` $\Rightarrow$

Lexical Scoping and let, let*, and letrec

All are variable binding operations:

LET = let, let*, letrec

$$\begin{array}{c} (\text{LET } ((v1 \ e1) \\ \quad (v2 \ e2) \\ \quad \dots \\ \quad (vn \ en)) \\ e) \end{array}$$

- **let**: binds variables to values (no specific order), and evaluates body **e** using the bindings; new bindings are not effective during evaluation of any e_i .
- **let***: binds variables to values in textual order of write-up (left to right, or here: top down); new binding is effective for next e_i (nested scopes).
- **letrec**: bindings of variables to values in no specific order; independent **evaluations of all e_i to values** have to be possible; new bindings effective for all e_i ; mainly used for recursive function definitions.

Next Lecture

Things to do:

- Finish project and homeworks #4 and #5
- Practice Scheme/Racket programming