

Functional Programming - 2

- Higher Order Functions
 - Map on a list
 - Apply
 - Reductions: foldr, foldl
 - Lexical scoping with *let*'s

Higher Order Functions

- Functions as 1st class values
- Functions as arguments

```
(define (f g x) (g x))
(f number? 0) yields #t
(f len '(1 (2 3))) yields 2
(f (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) 3) yields 6
```
- Functions as return values

```
(define incr (lambda (n) (+ 1 n)))
(incr 1) returns 2,
incr returns #procedure:incr
```

Built-in function *map*

- Higher order function used to apply another function to every element of a list
- Takes 2 arguments: a function **f** and a list **ys** and builds a new list by applying the function to every element of the (argument) list

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

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```

(map incr '(1 2 3 4)) returns (2 3 4 5)

(map incr '(-1 0 1)) returns (0 1 2)

(map (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) '(1 2 3)) returns (2 4 6)

Possible to define a new map function **map2** that takes n-ary functions and applies them to n lists, creating a new list

(map2 + '(1 2 3) '(4 5 6)) returns (5 7 9)

How map works?

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

TRACE of execution:

```
(map abs '( -1 2 -3)
  (cons (abs -1) (map abs (2 -3)))
    (cons (abs 2) (map abs (-3)))
      (cons (abs -3) (map abs '()))
        '())
      (3)
    (2 3)
  (1 2 3)
(list 1 2 3)
```

Try stepping through the mapp definition in DrRacket.

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Using map

Define **atomcnt3** which uses map to calculate the number of atoms in a list. **atomcnt3** creates a list of the count of atoms in every sublist and apply of + calculates the sublist sum.

```
(define (atomcnt3 s) (cond ((atom? s) 1)
                          (else (apply + (map atomcnt3 s)))))
```

(atomcnt3 '(1 2 3)) returns 3

(atomcnt3 '((a b) d)) returns 3

(atomcnt3 '(1 ((2) 3) (((3) (2) 1)))) *returns 6*

How does this function work?

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apply

apply is a built-in function whose first argument *f* is a function and whose second argument *ys* is a list of arguments for that function

evaluation of **apply** applies *f* to *ys*

(apply + '(1 2 3)) returns 6

(apply zero? '(2)) returns #false

(apply zero? '(0)) returns #true

(apply (lambda (n) (+ 1 n)) '(3)) returns 4

*The power of **apply** is that it lets your program build an S-expression to evaluate during execution, and then lets it be evaluated.*

foldr

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

(define (foldr op ys id)

(if (null? ys) id

(op (car ys) (foldr op (cdr ys) id))))

(foldr + '(10 20 30) 0) yields

(+ 10 (foldr + (20 30) 0))

(+ 10 (+ 20 (foldr + (30) 0)))

(+ 10 (+ 20 (+ 30 (foldr + () 0))))

(+ 10 (+ 20 (+ 30 0))) yields 60

Think of inserting the op where the cons constructor is placed to build the list.

The Power of Higher Order Functions

- Can compose higher order functions to form compact powerful functions

```
(define (sum f ys) (foldr + (map f ys) 0))
```

- `sum` takes a function `f` and a list `ys`
- `sum` applies `f` to each element of the list and then sums the results

```
(sum (lambda (x) (* 2 x)) '(1 2 3)) yields 12
```

```
(sum square '(2 3)) yields 13
```

Using foldr

```
(foldr append '((1 2) (3 4)) '() ) yields  
  (app (list 1 2) (foldr append '((3 4)) '() ))  
    (app (list 3 4) (foldr append '() '() ))  
      '()  
    (list 3 4)  
  (list 1 2 3 4)
```

Try this out using the stepper in DrRacket and watch how `foldr` works

➤ `(list 1 2 3 4)`

Defining `len` (list length function) from `foldr`.

```
(define (len z) (foldr (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) z 0))
```

Informal Trace of len

```

(len '(5 6 7)) is
(foldr (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) '(5 6 7) 0)
  ( (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) 5 (foldr (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) '(6 7) 0) )
    ( (lambda... 6 (foldr (lamb...) '(7) 0) )
      ( (lamb.. 7 (foldr (lamb...) '() 0) )
        0
        ( (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) 7 0) yields 1
        ((lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) 6 1) yields 2
        ( (lambda (x y) (+ 1 y)) 5 2) yields 3
      )
    )
  )
3

```

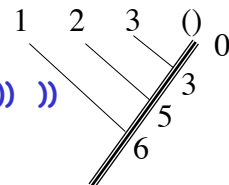
Fold operations

- Operations that combine elements of an S-expr in an ordered manner
- **foldr** - right associative
 - (foldr + '(1 2 3) 0) can see computation tree in which partial sums are calculated in order down the right branch

```

(define (foldr op ys id)
  (if (null? ys) id
      (op (car ys) (foldr op (cdr ys) id) )))

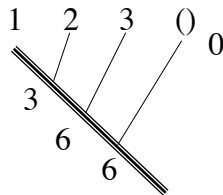
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Fold operations

- **foldl** - left associative, more efficient than **foldr**
 - **(foldl + '(1 2 3) 0)** can see computation tree in which partial sums are calculated in order down the left branch
 - Note **foldl** uses less storage than **foldr**, because doesn't need to keep values in the recursive copies; Instead it accumulates sum as it recurses downward

```
(define (foldl g ys u)
  (if (null? ys) u (foldl g (cdr ys) (g u (car ys)))))
```



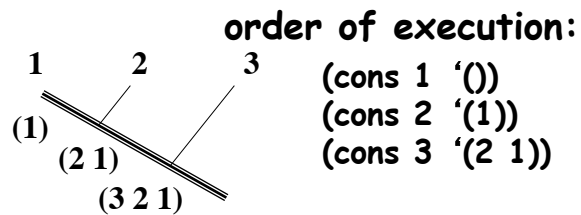
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Using foldl

```
(define (rev xs)
  (foldl (lambda (x y) (cons y x)) xs '()))
```

then **(rev '(1 2 3))** will result in the following:



```
(define (foldl g ys u) (if (null? ys)
  u
  (foldl g (cdr ys) (g u (car ys)))))
```

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Comparison of Fold Functions

```
(define (foldr op ys id)
  (if (null? ys) id
      (op (car ys) (foldr op (cdr ys) id)) ))
(define (foldl g ys u)
  (if (null? ys) u (foldl g (cdr ys) (g u (car ys))))))
```

- Compare underlined portions of these 2 functions
 - Can see that **foldl** returns the value obtained from a recursive call to itself!
 - **Foldr** contains a recursive call, but it is not the entire return value of the function

Let expressions

```
Let-expr ::= ( let ( Binding-list ) S-expr1 )
Let*-expr ::= ( let* ( Binding-list ) S-expr )
Binding-list ::= ( Var S-expr ) { (Var S-expr) }
```

- **Let** and **Let*** expressions define a binding between each Var and the S-expr value, which holds during execution of **S-expr1**
- **Let** evaluates the S-exprs in parallel (no order specified); **Let*** evaluates them from left to right.
- Both used to associate temporary values with variables for a local computation
- Variables declared in let's follow lexical scoping rules

Let Examples

`(let ((x 2)) (* x x))` yields 4

`(let ((x 2)) (let ((y 1)) (+ x y)))` yields 3

`(let ((x 10) (y (* 2 x))) (* x y))` is an **error** because all exprs evaluated in parallel and simultaneously bound to the vars

`(let* ((x 10) (y (* 2 x))) (* x y))` yields 200

Let Examples

`(let ((x 10)) ; causes x to be bound to 10`

`(let ((f (lambda (a) (+ a x)))) ; causes f to bound to the lambda expr`

`(let ((x 2)) (f 5)))`

Evaluation yields `(+ 5 10) = 15`, NOT `(+ 5 2) = 7`

In dynamic scoping the answer would be 7!

`(define (f z) (let* ((x 5) (f (lambda (z) (* x z))))
 (map f z)))`

What does this function do?