

CMPT325: Issues in Functional Programming

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Variables and Efficiency

- ▶ Variables are symbolic labels used to refer to data values
 - ▶ provided by the programmer, or
 - ▶ calculated from functions of data
- ▶ Variables allow us to refer to the same data multiple times
- ▶ Variables can improve efficiency - consider:

$$Y := F(x) \times F(x) \quad \text{vs.} \quad \begin{array}{l} Z := F(x) \\ Y := Z \times Z \end{array}$$

- ▶ First example computes $F(x)$ twice; Second example only once
- ▶ Optimizing compilers can often detect simple redundancies, but it is important to be aware of the general principle

Examples in LISP

- ▶ How would we optimize the following code in Lisp:

```
(APPEND (foo x) (foo x))
```

- ▶ Solution 1:

```
( (LAMBDA (z)
  (APPEND z z)
) (foo x) )
```

- ▶ Alternatively, equivalently and more transparently

```
(LET ((z (foo x)))
  (APPEND z z))
```

Using Functions Efficiently

- ▶ Consider the append predicate (see last lecture)

```
(DEFUN append (list1 list2)
  (COND ((NULL list1) list2 )
        ( T (CONS (CAR list1)
                   (append (CDR list1) list2)))) )
```

Analysis of Append

- ▶ What is `runTime(append)`?
(Hint: examine reduction operator)

(length L1)	(length L2)	#Calls
0	5	1
1	5	2
6	5	7
10	5	11
10	100	11
10	1000	11

- ▶ Running time of `append` is LINEAR in length of 1st arg
 $runTime(append) = O(length(L1))$
- ▶ Implication: always call with short list in first position

Efficiency Tricks

- ▶ First analysis of recursive structure may not yield an efficient solution
- ▶ Additional examination of the recursion can lead to significant improvements

Naive reverse implementation

```
(reverse '()) → ()  
(reverse '(A)) → (A)           ;; (APPEND '() '(A))  
(reverse '(B A)) → (A B)       ;; (APPEND '(A) '(B))  
(reverse '(C B A)) → (A B C)   ;; (APPEND '(A B) '(C))
```

► Analysis

- Base case? '()→()
- Reduction? (CDR *l1*)
- Composition? (APPEND reduced-problem (LIST (CAR *l1*)))

► Solution based on this analysis (DO NOT IMPLEMENT!):

```
(DEFUN reverse-1 (l1)  
  (COND ((NULL list) nil)  
        ( t      (APPEND (reverse-1 (CDR l1))  
                          (LIST (CAR l1)) ) )))
```

Trace of Naive reverse-1 |

- ▶ The reverse-1 method starts by successively reducing the problem to the base case

```
(reverse-1 '(a b c d))  
Enter reverse-1 (a b c d)  
  Enter reverse-1 (b c d)  
    Enter reverse-1 (c d)  
      Enter reverse-1 (d)  
        Enter reverse-1 nil
```

- ▶ As recursion unwinds, append is called at each step

```
Exit reverse-1 ()  
Enter append () (d)
```


Trace of Naive reverse-1 II

```
Exit append (d)
Exit my-reverse-1 (d)
Enter append (d) (c)
Exit append (d c)
Exit my-reverse-1 (d c)
Enter append (d c) (b)
Exit append (d c b)
Exit my-reverse-1 (d c b)
Enter append (d c b) (a)
Exit append (d c b a)
Exit my-reverse-1 (d c b a)
```

Complexity of Naive reverse-1

```
(DEFUN reverse-1 (l1)
  (COND ((NULL l1) nil)
        ( t      (APPEND (reverse-1 (CDR l1))
                          (LIST (CAR l1)) ) )))
```

- ▶ Each time reverse-1 completes, APPEND is called
- ▶ APPEND traverses the entire singly-linked list
 $\text{runtime}(\text{append}) = O(n)$
- ▶ $\text{runtime}(\text{reverse} - 1) = n + (n-1) + \dots + 1 = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = O(n^2)$

LIST as STACK and Accumulators II

- ▶ Note: CONS operator is like a stack push and CAR is like stack pop

```
(SETF STK nil)
```

```
STK → ()
```

```
(SETF STK (CONS 'A STK))
```

```
STK → (A)
```

```
(SETF STK (CONS 'B STK))
```

```
STK → (B A)
```

```
(SETF STK (CONS 'C STK))
```

```
STK → (C B A)
```

LIST as STACK and Accumulators II

<i>items</i>	<i>stk</i>
A B C	nil
B C	A
C	B A
nil	C B A

- ▶ We push items into a lambda parameter named *stk*

```
(DEFUN load-stack (items stk)
  (COND ((NULL items) stk)
        (t (load-stack
              (CDR items)(CONS (CAR items) stk))))))
```

- ▶ **Don't return composed result, pass it forward**
- ▶ *Stk* is an *accumulator* variable returned on last call

Collector Variables or Accumulators

- ▶ Collector variable = extra argument in function that represents calculation so far
- ▶ When function is done
(typically by exhausting another argument)
it simply returns collector variable as value of function.
- ▶ Here: composition operator is *identity* function
(it simply returns the result)

Using load-stack for my-reverse

- ▶ Using "helper function" load-stack to implement my-reverse

```
(DEFUN my-reverse (l1)
  (load-stack l1 nil))
```

- ▶ Internal definition of "helper function"

```
(DEFUN my-reverse (l1)
  (LABELS (
    (load-stack (items stk)
      (IF (NULL items)
          stk
          (load-stack (CDR items)
                      (CONS (CAR items) stk))))))
  (load-stack l1 nil))
```

- ▶ This version is $O(n)$!

Trace of efficient my-reverse

```
1 Enter my-reverse (a b c d)
1 Enter load-stack (a b c d) nil
  2 Enter load-stack (b c d) (a)
    3 Enter load-stack (c d) (b a)
      4 Enter load-stack (d) (c b a)
        5 Enter load-stack nil (d c b a)
          5 Exit load-stack (d c b a)
            4 Exit load-stack (d c b a)
              3 Exit load-stack (d c b a)
                2 Exit load-stack (d c b a)
                  1 Exit load-stack (d c b a)
                    1 Exit my-reverse (d c b a)
```

- ▶ Note: this implementation is tail-recursive

Efficiency in General

- ▶ Q: Is $\langle fn_1 \rangle$ *more efficient* than $\langle fn_2 \rangle$?
wrt expected *Run Time Cost*
for LARGE problems
- ▶ Defined in terms of
of Function Applications
as a function of “Size” of Argument(s)
- ▶ “Size”
Usually Assymptotic
“... for sufficiently large lists...”
wrt LISP: Usually “length of list”

Efficiency Classes I

- ▶ “Constant Order” $O(1)$
of Function Applications
is INDEPENDENT of args
... No recursion
[Eg, (LAMBDA (x) (CAR (CDR x)))]
- ▶ “Linear Order” $O(n)$
(n is size of argument)
Recursive calls \propto length of list but CONSTANT work on each call
 - ▶ (e.g., APPEND ... (CONS (CAR x) (APPEND (CDR x) y))...)

Efficiency Classes II

- ▶ “Polynomial Order” $O(n^2)$, $O(n^5)$, ...
Recursion on length of list, with Linear (poly) work at each level
 - ▶ (e.g. naive reverse-1 does an append after each call, so $O(n^2)$)
- ▶ “Exponential Order” $O(2^n)$, $O(n^n)$, ...
More than 1 recursive call for each call
 - ▶ (e.g. naive fibonacci calls self TWICE at each step – stay tuned!)

Linear-time Power Function Analysis

(power n 0) $\rightarrow 1$

(power n 1) $\rightarrow n$

(power n 2) $\rightarrow n^2 = n * n$

(power n 3) $\rightarrow n^3 = n * n * n$

(power n 4) $\rightarrow n^4 = n * n * n * n$

\vdots

► Analysis

1. Base case? (power n 0) $\rightarrow 1$

2. Reduction? (- e 1)

3. Composition? (* n (power (- e 1)))

Linear-time Power Function Analysis

```
(DEFUN my-power-2 (n e)
  (IF (= e 0)
      1
      (* n (my-power-2 n (- e 1)))))
```

- ▶ `my-power-2` will be called e times, so it is linear in e : $O(e)$

Logarithmic-time Power Function Analysis

(power n 0) $\rightarrow 1$

(power n 1) $\rightarrow n$

(power n 2) $\rightarrow n^2 = n * n = n * n$

(power n 3) $\rightarrow n^3 = n * n * n = n^2 n$

(power n 4) $\rightarrow n^4 = n * n * n * n = n^2 n^2$

(power n 5) $\rightarrow n^5 = n * n * n * n * n = n^2 n^2 n$

\vdots

► Analysis

1. Base case? (power n 0) $\rightarrow 1$

2. Reduction? If e odd: (- e 1)

 If e even: (/ e 2)

3. Composition?

 If e odd: (* n (power (- e 1)))

 If e even: (* (p n e/2) (p n e/2))

Logarithmic-time Power Function Code

► Analysis

1. Base case? (power n 0) $\rightarrow 1$
2. Reduction? Odd e : $(- e 1)$; Even e : $e/2$
3. Composition? [see below]

```
(DEFUN my-power (n e)
  (COND
    ((= e 0) 1)
    ((EVENP e) (LET ((result (my-power n (/ e 2) )))
                 (* result result)))
    (t      (* n (my-power n (- e 1) )))))
```

► Note: two distinct cases for recursive calls

Fibonacci Function Case Study

```
fib(1) → 1
fib(2) → 1
fib(3) → 2
fib(4) → 3
fib(5) → 5
fib(6) → 8
fib(7) → 13    ; 13 = 5+8
```

► Analysis

1. Base case? $\text{fib}(1) \rightarrow 1$, $\text{fib}(2) \rightarrow 1$
2. Reduction? $(- \ n \ 1) \ (- \ n \ 2)$
3. Composition?
 $(+ \ (\text{fib} \ (- \ n \ 1)) \ (\text{fib} \ (- \ n \ 2)) \)$

Naive Fibonacci

- ▶ Analysis

1. Base case? $\text{fib}(1) \rightarrow 1, \text{fib}(2) \rightarrow 1$
2. Reduction? $(- n 1) (- n 2)$
3. Composition? $(+ (\text{fib } (- n 1)) (\text{fib } (- n 2)))$

- ▶ A naive implementation (DO NOT IMPLEMENT)

```
(DEFUN fib1 (n)
  (COND ((< n 3) 1)
        (t (+ (fib1 (- n 1))
               (fib1 (- n 2))))))
```


Partial Trace of Naive Fibonacci

```
ENTER fib1 6      ;; Each call → 2 subcalls
  ENTER fib1 5    ;; runtime(fib - 1) = O(2^n)
    ENTER fib1 4
      ENTER fib1 3
        ENTER fib1 2 →1
          ENTER fib1 1 →1
        ENTER fib1 2
      ENTER fib1 3
        ENTER fib1 2 →1
          ENTER fib1 1 →1
        ENTER fib1 4
      ENTER fib1 3
        ENTER fib1 2 →1
          ENTER fib1 1 →1
        ENTER fib1 2 →1
```

Linear Fibonacci

- ▶ Naive fib-1 generates 2 branches at (essentially) each call
- ▶ Build up answer from bottom forwards, using accumulators and stop when we have computed n terms
- ▶ n is #desired terms, I is a counter, $fibI$ is i^{th} fibonacci term, $fibPrev$ is $i - 1^{st}$ fibonacci term

```
(DEFUN fib2 (n)
  (LABELS ( (fibHelp (n I fibI fibPrev)
              (IF (EQ n I)
                  FibI
                  (fibHelp n (+ I 1) (+ fibI fibPrev) fibI)))
            (fibHelp n 1 1 0)))
```

Trace of Linear Fibonacci

```
ENTER: (FIB2 6)
  ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 1 1 0)
    ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 2 1 1)
      ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 3 2 1)
        ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 4 3 2)
          ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 5 5 3)
            ENTER: (FIBHELP 6 6 8 5)
              ENTER: FIBHELP ==> 8
                ENTER: FIBHELP ==> 8
                  :
                ENTER: FIBHELP ==> 8
              ENTER: FIB2 ==> 8
```

- ▶ tail-recursive structure permits compiler optimization to linear loop

Sublinear Fibonacci I

- ▶ Define **fib**(n) to return vector $\begin{pmatrix} f_n \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ Base case: **fib**(2) = $\begin{pmatrix} f_2 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ Recursion:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{fib}(n) = \begin{pmatrix} f_n \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-1} \\ f_{n-2} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Still *linear* recursion

Sublinear Fibonacci II

- ▶ Sequence of recursive calls has its own shared substructure

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{fib}(n) &= \begin{pmatrix} f_n \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-1} \\ f_{n-2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-2} \\ f_{n-3} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 \begin{pmatrix} f_{n-2} \\ f_{n-3} \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Sublinear Fibonacci III

- ▶ On repeated substitution all the way down to the base case:

$$\begin{pmatrix} f_n \\ f_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n-2} \begin{pmatrix} f_2 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{n-2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Examples:

- ▶ $\begin{pmatrix} f_2 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix},$
- ▶ $\begin{pmatrix} f_3 \\ f_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Sublinear Fibonacci IV

- ▶ Showed (power n e) has time *logarithmic* in exponent
- ▶ Substituting matrix multiplication for '*' implements matrix power
- ▶ Showed Fibonacci can be reduced to matrix exponentiation
- ▶ Fibonacci can therefore be computed in *logarithmic* time

Scope of Variables

- ▶ Consider function bindings of variables in $\langle \text{form} \rangle$ given:

`(LAMBDA (y z) $\langle \text{form} \rangle$)`

- ▶ `y` refers to 1st arg
- ▶ `z` refers to 2nd arg

- ▶ Consider *nested* functions

`(LAMBDA (y z)
 ((LAMBDA (x v) $\langle \text{form} \rangle$)
 (CDR y) 'A)))`

Variables usable within $\langle \text{form} \rangle$:

- ▶ `x` is bound to CDR of 1st arg
- ▶ `v` is bound to value A
- ▶ `y` is bound to 1st arg
- ▶ `z` is bound to 2nd arg

Variables

```
(LAMBDA (y z)
  ( (LAMBDA (x y) (LIST x y z)) 'A (CDR y) ))
```

- ▶ is a function that takes 2 args, and evaluates to 3 element list:
(A (CDR of 1st arg) (2nd arg))
- ▶ Notation: In inner λ -expr
 - ▶ Variable `x` and `y` are BOUND
 - ▶ Variable `z` is FREE
 - ▶ `y`'s value is "shadowed" by (CDR `y`)

Dealing with Free Variables

- ▶ Def'n: *Formal* variables of a function are **bound** within the function definition.

- ▶ All other variables are **free**.

- ▶ Consider function

```
(DEFUN foo (z x) (LIST z x y) )
```

- ▶ When `(foo 5 t)` is called

- ▶ $z \rightarrow 5$, bound
- ▶ $x \rightarrow t$, bound
- ▶ y will be FREE

- ▶ Is `(foo <f1> <f2>)` always defined? No

Evaluating foo

- ▶ Case 1: `((LAMBDA (x y) (foo 'A (CDR x)))) '(5) t`

Eval: `"(foo 'A (CDR x))"` with `x ← (5)`, `y ← t`

Eval: `"(LIST z x y)"` with `z ← A`, `x ← ()`, `y ← t`

Returns: `(A () t)`

- ▶ Case 2: `((LAMBDA (x) (foo 'A (CDR x)))) '(5))`

Eval: `(foo 'A (CDR x))` with `x ← (5)`

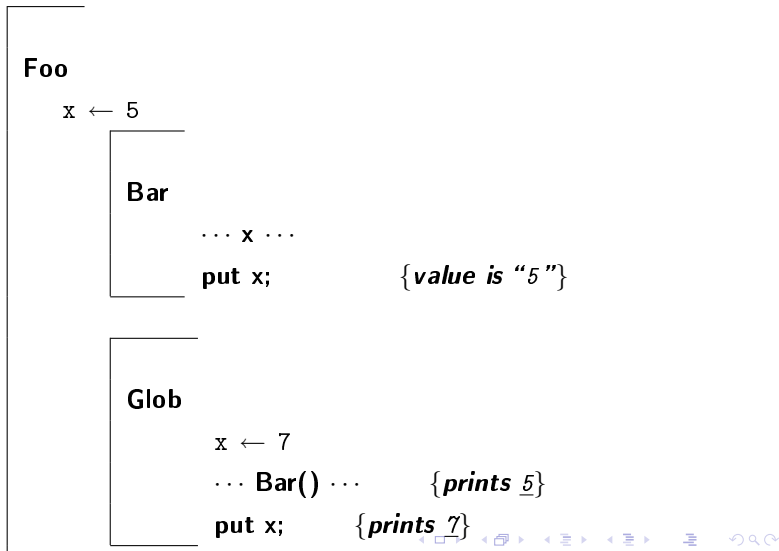
Eval: `(LIST z x y)` with `z←A`, `x←()`, `y undefined`

Undefined!!

Scope: Dynamic vs Static

- ▶ Dynamic Scoping:
Value of variable depends on RUN-time situation!
EG: *Lisp*
- ▶ Static Scoping:
Value of variable determined by COMPILE-time declaration.
EG: *Pascal, Turing, ...*
- ▶ Examples ...

Example of Static Scoping



Example of Dynamic Scoping

```
(SETQ x 20) → 20
(SETQ y 10) → 10
(DEFUN plusy (x) (+ x y)) →
plusy ;;; y is free
(plusy 5) → 15
(+ x y) → 30
(SETQ y 20) → 20
(plusy 5) → 25
```

Contexts

- ▶ Identify each variable with a (LIFO) STACK of values.
- ▶ Variable's current "value" is top of stack
- ▶ Initializing/Updating Variable's Stack
 - ▶ Initially, each variable's stack is [undefined]
 - ▶ If (SETQ a v),
reset top of a's stack to (value of) v.
 - ▶ When entering function fn
with args a_1, \dots, a_n
bound to values v_1, \dots, v_n
PUSH the value of v_i onto a_i 's stack
for each i
 - ▶ When exiting function,
POP stack of each of function's variables

Maintaining Contexts

Evaluate:

```
( (LAMBDA (x y)
  ( (LAMBDA (z x) (LIST z x y))
    'a (CDR x) ) )
  '(A B C) '(D E F) ) with x←[], y←[], z←[]
ENTER  $\lambda_1(x y)$  with x←[(A B C)], y←[(D E F)], z←[]
  ENTER  $\lambda_2(z x)$  with x←[(B C)(A B C)], y←[(D E F)], z
  EXIT  $\lambda_2$  with (A (B C) (D E F))
EXIT  $\lambda_1$  (A (B C) (D E F))
```


Examples of Tracing

```
(DEFUN foo (x y) (APPEND x (bar y)))
(DEFUN bar (p) (IF (NULL p) x (foo y (CDR p))))
Evaluate (FOO '(A) '(B C))
  enter FOO { X←(A), Y←(B C) }
    enter BAR { P←(B C) }
      enter FOO { X←(B C), Y←(C) }
        enter BAR { P←(C) }
          enter FOO { X←(C), Y←() }
            enter BAR { P ←() }
              return (C)
            return (C C)
          return (C C C)
        return (B C C C)
      return (B C C C)
    return (A B C C C)
```

Functional Arguments – Revisited

- ▶ Can take a function as argument
 treat it as an s-expr
 “apply” it
- ▶ Dynamic vs Static Scoping
 QUOTE vs FUNCTION

Successor Function

- ▶ '1+' generates the numeric successor of its argument

`(1+ 0) → 1`

`(1+ 1) → 2`

`(1+ 1.5) → 2.5`

`(1+ (sqrt 2)) → 2.41421374`

`(1+ (/ 3 9)) → 4/3`

Mapping Function: plus1

- ▶ Applies a function to each element of list.
- ▶ Eg 1: Add 1 to each element:

```
(DEFUN plus1 (list)
  (IF (NULL list)
      nil
      (CONS (1+ (CAR list))
             (plus1 (CDR list))) ))
(plus1 (list 3 -10 (sqrt 2) (/ 4 7)))
→ (4 -9 2.4142137 11/7)
```

Mapping Function: carAll

- ▶ Eg 2: Take CAR of each element:

```
(DEFUN carAll (list)
  (IF (NULL list)
      nil
      (CONS (CAR (CAR list))
             (carAll (CDR list)))) )
(CarAll '((A B) (C D E) (t) (5 A)))
→(A C t 5)
```

Mapping Function – MAPCAR

- ▶ Each mapping function has
 - ▶ a recursive loop over list elements
 - ▶ applying some specific function to each element
- ▶ Use higher-order function to define common parts!
- ▶ Pass in `list` and `function` to apply

```
(DEFUN MAPCAR (list fn)
  (IF (NULL list)
      nil
      (CONS (funcall fn (CAR list))
            (MAPCAR (CDR list) fn) )))
```

- ▶ MAPCAR is built into Common Lisp

MAPCAR Examples

```
(MAPCAR '(3 5 0) '1+) → (4 6 1)
```

```
(MAPCAR '( (4) (t Q) ) 'CAR) → (4 t)
```

```
(MAPCAR '( (4) (t Q) ) 'CDR) → ( () (Q))
```

```
(MAPCAR '( (4) (t) ) 'LISTP) → (T T)
```

```
(MAPCAR '( A B (C D)) 'ATOM) → (T T nil)
```

```
(MAPCAR '() 'ATOM) → ()
```

```
(MAPCAR '(A B C) '(LAMBDA (x) (CONS x '(t) ))) →  
  ( (A t) (B t) (C t) )
```

Mapping Function – AnyOf

- ▶ True if any element of list `x` satisfies the predicate function `fn`
(*Note carefully: list argument is named x*)

```
(DEFUN AnyOf (fn x)
  (COND ((NULL x)      nil)
        ((funcall fn (CAR x)) t)
        ( t             (AnyOf fn (CDR x))))))
```

- ▶ An alternative definition emphasizing readability (might lose tail-recursion)

```
(DEFUN AnyOf-2 (fn list)
  (AND (NOT (NULL list))
        (OR (funcall fn (FIRST list))
             (AnyOf-2 fn (REST list)))))
```


AnyOf Examples

```
(AnyOf 'ATOM '(A B (C D)) )→ t
(AnyOf 'ATOM '((4) (t Q)) )→ nil
(AnyOf 'LISTP '((4) (t Q)) )→ t
(AnyOf 'CAR '((4) (t)) )→ t
(AnyOf 'CDR '((4) (t)) )→ nil
(AnyOf 'ATOM () )→ nil
(AnyOf '(LAMBDA (y) (EQ y 'A)) '(B A C))→ t
```

Mapping Functions

- ▶ Apply function to each [element | sublist] of list, returning list of values.
 - `MapCar` applies function to each element of list, returning list of values.
 - `MapList` — like `MAPCAR`, but uses successive `SUBLISTS` (not elements)
 - `MapCan`, `MapCon` ... destructive (Not PURE lisp)
- ▶ Apply function to each [element | sublist] of list, returning `nil`. (used for side effect – eg printing values. Not PURE lisp)
 - `MapC` — like `MapCar`, but returns `nil`
 - `MapL` — like `MapList`, but returns `nil`
- ▶ “Boolean” Functions (not in Common Lisp)
 - `ANYOF` determines if *any* element satisfies predicate.
 - `ALLOF` determines if *all* elements satisfy predicate.

Function Argument Problem

- ▶ Using functions with free variables can cause problems
- ▶ We might expect `memq` to return `t` if `at` is in `list`

```
(DEFUN memq (at list)
  (AnyOf '(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i at)) list ))
```

- ▶ Not necessarily true:
- ▶ Note: `at` is inside a quoted expression
→ it is not scoped in the context of `defun memq`
- ▶ Therefore `at` is a *Free Variable* within inner `λ-expr`.

MEMQ with DYNAMIC Scoping

- ▶ In a Lisp with dynamic scoping
(e.g. Franz lisp but not Common Lisp),
variables are resolved by checking bindings upwards along the stack

```
(DEFUN memq (at 1)
  (AnyOf '(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i at)) 1 ))
```

- ▶ The at in the λ is unbound within the λ
- ▶ But, memq calls AnyOf which calls λ

```
(DEFUN AnyOf (fn x)
  (COND ((NULL x) nil)
        ((funcall fn (CAR x)) t)
        (t (AnyOf fn (CDR x)))) )
```

- ▶ The at binding created by memq will resolve at in λ

Tracing MEMQ with DYNAMIC Scoping I

```
(memq 'a '(b a c))  
Enter memq {at←a, l←(b a c)}  
  Enter AnyOf {fn←(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i at))  
              x←(b a c) }  
    Enter λ(fn) {i← b}  
      EVAL (EQ i at) {i←b, at←a} ~>nil  
      :  
      :
```

- ▶ Here, `at` is resolved against the binding made further up the stack ... so computation continues normally

MEMQ with DYNAMIC Scoping II

- ▶ Now *rename* at to x , but the x in λ is still free

```
(DEFUN memq (x i)
  (AnyOf '(LAMBDA(i) (EQ i x)) i))
```

- ▶ Recall AnyOf uses parameter x as well

```
(DEFUN AnyOf (fn x)
  (COND ((NULL x) nil)
        ((funcall fn (CAR x)) t)
        (t (AnyOf fn (CDR x)))))
```

- ▶ Again: memq calls AnyOf which calls λ
- ▶ Here, AnyOf has left closest binding to λ of x on the stack

Tracing memq with Dynamic Scoping II

```
(memq 'a '(b a c))  
  Enter memq {x←a, l←(b a c)}  
    Enter AnyOf {fn←(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x)),  
                x←(b a c) }  
      Enter λ { i←b }  
        EVAL (EQ i x ) {i←b,x←(b a c)}  
          ↪ERROR, as x is (b a c)
```

- ▶ The λ retrieves closest x on the stack, which is bound by AnyOf
- ▶ The λ requires x to be a executable expression: error!

FunArg Problem

- ▶ If Dynamic Scoping,

```
(LAMBDA (at L) (AnyOf L '(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i at)) )
```

```
(LAMBDA (x L) (AnyOf L '(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x) )) )
```

can have completely different results,
as `x` and `at` are free within `λ`

- ▶ Want `x` evaluated *STATICALLY* (based on program definition)
Not *DYNAMICALLY* (based on run-time environ.)
- ▶ Older *Lisp*'s usually evaluates free variables *DYNAMICALLY*.
- ▶ To get *STATIC* evaluation use new special form: `FUNCTION`

MEMQ *without* DYNAMIC Scoping

- ▶ Dynamic scoping can introduce subtle and hard-to-find errors
- ▶ In Lisp's without dynamic scoping (e.g., Modern Common Lisp), the x in quoted λ is still unbound

```
(DEFUN memq (x l)
  (AnyOf '(LAMBDA(i) (EQ i x)) l))
```

- ▶ Without dynamic scoping, x cannot be resolved on the stack

Tracing memq without Dynamic Scoping

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  Enter memq {x←a, l←(b a c)}  
    Enter AnyOf {fn←(LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x)),  
                x←(b a c) }  
      Enter λ { i←b }  
        EVAL (EQ i x ) {i←b,x←(b a c)}  
          ↪ERROR, as x undefined!
```

- ▶ x cannot be resolved

QUOTE is for Dynamic Scoping

- ▶ Dynamic Scoping: free variables isolated by quote

```
(DEFUN memq1 (x l)
  (AnyOf (QUOTE (LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x)))
    l))
```

- ▶ In Lisps that support dynamic scoping, free variables are evaluated DYNAMICALLY
- ▶ Hence: value of `x` in `memq1`'s is value of `AnyOf`'s 2nd arg.

```
(QUOTE (LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x)))
```

- ▶ FunArg problem!

FUNCTION Specifies Static Scoping

- ▶ Static Scoping

```
(DEFUN memq2 (x 1)
  (AnyOf (FUNCTION (LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x)))
    1))
```

- ▶ Free variables are evaluated STATICALLY
 - ▶ bindings are taken from the environment where λ was defined
- ▶ As it “sees” the x in `memq2`, that is the value it will take

Function Special Form

- ▶ FUNCTION behaves exactly like QUOTE except wrt evaluation of free variables:
- ▶ FUNCTION \approx STATIC EVALUATION
[based on (compile-time) function definition]
- ▶ QUOTE \approx DYNAMIC EVALUATION
[based on current (run-time) context]
- ▶ *Lisp's* Compiler can compile
(function (LAMBDA (...) ...))

MEMQ with STATIC scoping

- ▶ In both Lisps with dynamic scoping and those without, the FUNCTION form introduces static scoping

```
(DEFUN memq (x l)
  (AnyOf (FUNCTION (LAMBDA (i) (EQ i x))) l ))
```

- ▶ The `x` in the `λ` is resolved in the scope of `memq` so it is bound to the first paramter of `memq`
- ▶ Again, `memq` calls `AnyOf` which calls the `λ`

```
(DEFUN AnyOf (fn x)
  (COND ((NULL x) nil)
        ((funcall fn (CAR x)) t)
        (t (AnyOf fn (CDR x)))) )
```

- ▶ But, the `x` in `AnyOf` cannot interfere with the `x` in `λ`

Factory Method Example I

- ▶ In the absence of some global definition or binding higher up on the stack

```
(defun dynamic-funs (x)
  (list (quote (lambda () x))
        (quote (lambda (y) (setq x y))))))
(setq funs (dynamic-funs 6))
(funcall (first funs)) → variable x unbound
```

Factory Method Example II

- ▶ If a global definition exists, it can be used

```
(defun dynamic-funs (x)
  (list (quote (lambda () x))
        (quote (lambda (y) (setq x y))))))
(setf x nil)
(setq funs (dynamic-funs 6))
(funcall (first funs)) → nil
(funcall (second funs) 5) → 5
(funcall (first funs)) → 5
```


Factory Method Example III

- ▶ Even in Lisp's with static binding, function is necessary to tell the compiler that static scoping is desired for an expression

```
(defun static-funs (x)
  (list (function (lambda () x))
        (function (lambda (y) (setq x y)))))
(setq funs (static-funs 6))
(funcall (first funs)) → 6
(funcall (second funs) 43) → 43
(funcall (first funs)) → 43
```

- ▶ Note: it is possible to create "objects" this way that have local data protected by accessor methods