



Functional Programming

Lecture 3: Higher order functions

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Last lecture

- Evaluation strategies

- Program vs. data

- Debugging

- Lambda abstraction

```
(lambda (arg1 ... argN) <expr>)
```

- Let, let*, append, merge-sort

- Home assignment 1

Higher order functions

Functions taking other functions as arguments or returning functions as the result

- Capture and reuse common patterns
- Create fundamentally new concepts
- The reason why functional programs are compact

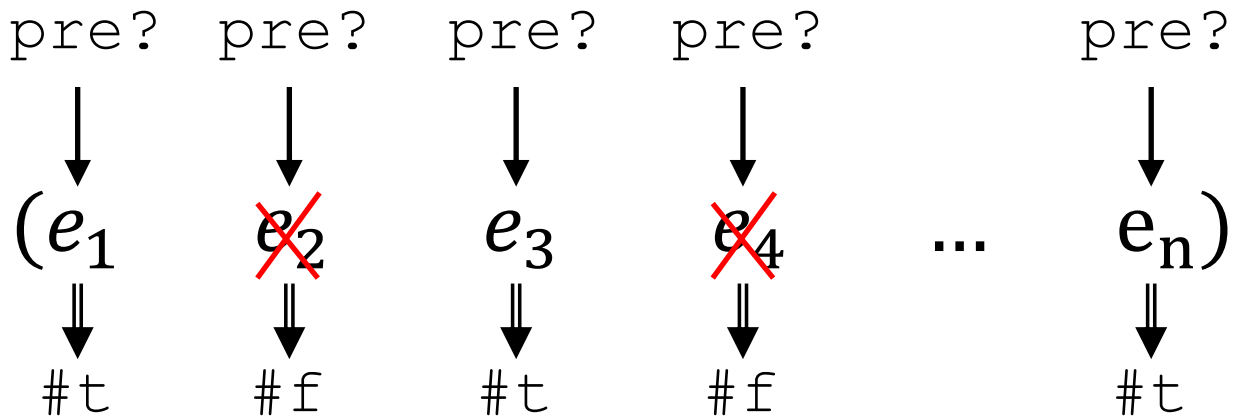
Order of data

- Order 0
Non function data
- Order 1
Functions with domain and range of order 0
- Order 2
Functions with domain and range of order 1
- Order k
Functions with domain and range of order $k-1$

Filter

`(filter pre? list)`

In the previous lecture



$(e_1 e_3 \dots e_n)$

Apply

Applies a function to the arguments

```
(apply proc arg1 ... rest-args)
```

Example:

```
(apply + 1 2 3 '(4 5))
```

Apply

```
(define (my-apply1 f args)
  (define (quote-all list)
    (cond ((null? list) '())
          (#t (cons
                `(quote ,(car list))
                (quote-all (cdr list))))))
  )
  (eval (cons f (quote-all args))))
```

Variable number of arguments

```
(define (fn arg1 arg2 . args-list) <body>)
```

After calling, the remaining arguments are in `args-list`.

```
(lambda args-list <body>)
```


Append

```
(define (my-append . args)
  (cond
    ((null? args) args)
    (#t (append2 (car args)
                  (apply my-append
                        (cdr args))))
  )
)
```

Apply

```
(define (my-apply f . args)
  (define (appendlast list)
    (cond ((null? (cdr list)) (car list))
          (#t (cons
                (car list)
                (appendlast (cdr list))))))
  (my-apply1 f (appendlast args)))
```

Compose

```
(compose f g)
```

Arguments are functions

Returns a function

```
(define (compose1 f g)
  (lambda args
    (f (apply g args))))
```

Inc each / dec each

```
(define (incall list)
  (cond ((null? list) '())
        (#t (cons (+ (car list) 1)
                   (incall (cdr list))))))
```

```
(define (decall2 list)
  (cond ((null? list) '())
        (#t (cons (- (car list) 2)
                   (decall2 (cdr list))))))
```

Map

```
(define (incall list)
  (cond ((null? list) '())
        (#t (cons (+ (car list) 1)
                   (incall (cdr list))))))
```

```
(define (map1 f list)
  (cond ((null? list) '())
        (#t (cons (f (car list))
                   (map1 f (cdr list))))))
```

Map

Calls `proc` of `N` arguments on all elements of the list and returns the result as a list

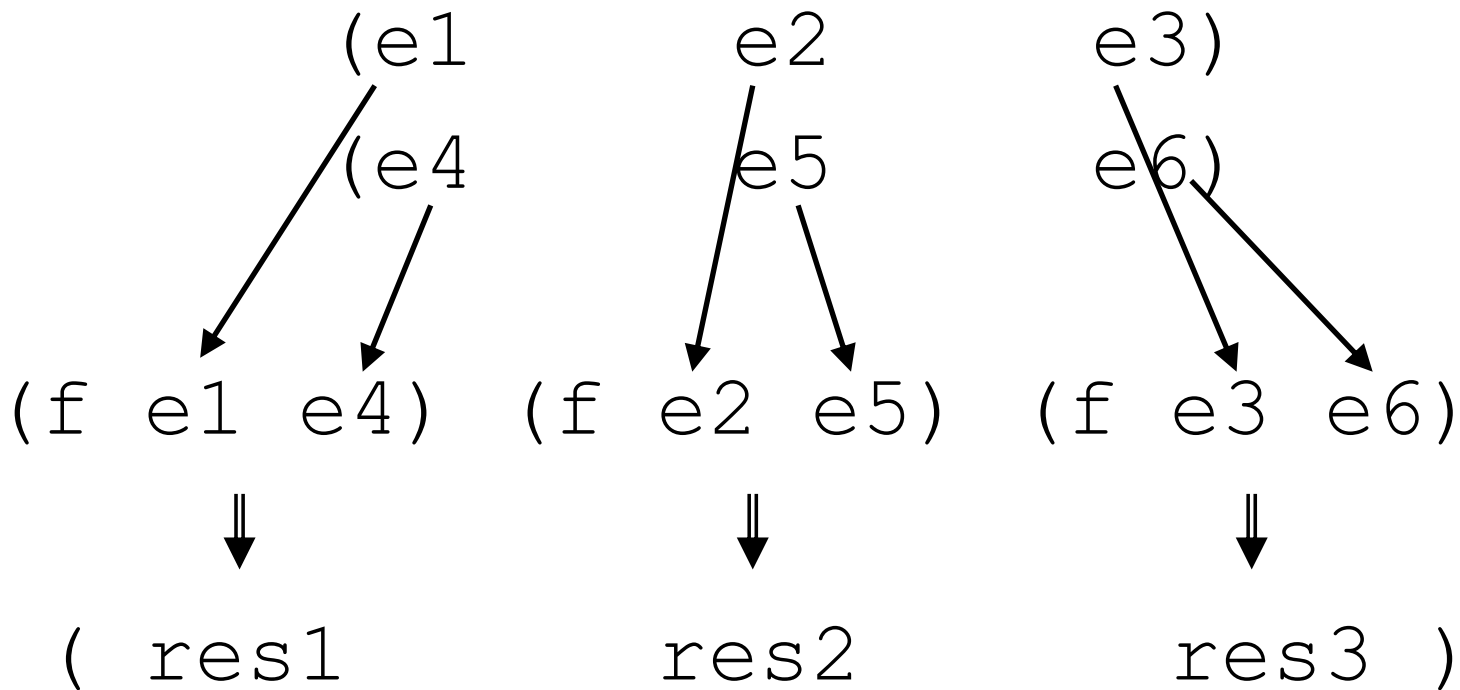
```
(map proc list1 list2 ... listN)
```

Example:

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

Map

```
(map f '(e1 e2 e3) '(e4 e5 e6))
```



Map

```
(define (my-map proc . args)
  (cond ((null? (car args)) '())
        (#t (cons
              (apply proc (map1 car args))
              (apply my-map
                    (cons
                     proc
                     (map1 cdr args)))))))
```


Min / sum

```
(define (min-all list)
  (cond ((null? (cdr list)) (car list))
        (#t (min (car list) (min-all (cdr list))))))
```

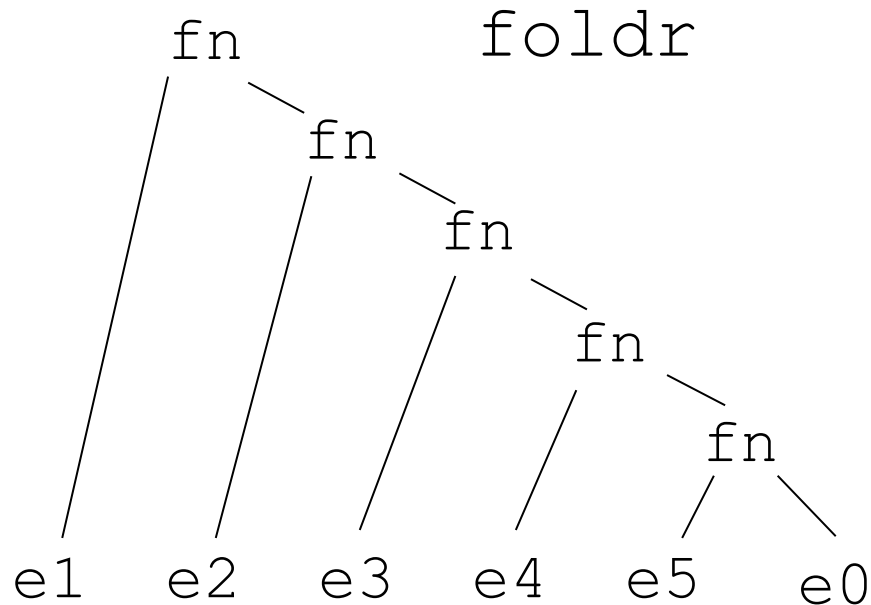
```
(define (sum-all list)
  (cond ((null? (cdr list)) (car list))
        (#t (+ (car list) (sum-all (cdr list))))))
```

```
(define (reduce f list)
  (cond ((null? (cdr list)) (car list))
        (#t (f (car list) (reduce f (cdr list))))))
```

Reduce

Often called `foldr` and `foldl` in scheme

```
(foldr fn e0 ' (e1 e2 e3 e4 e5) )
```

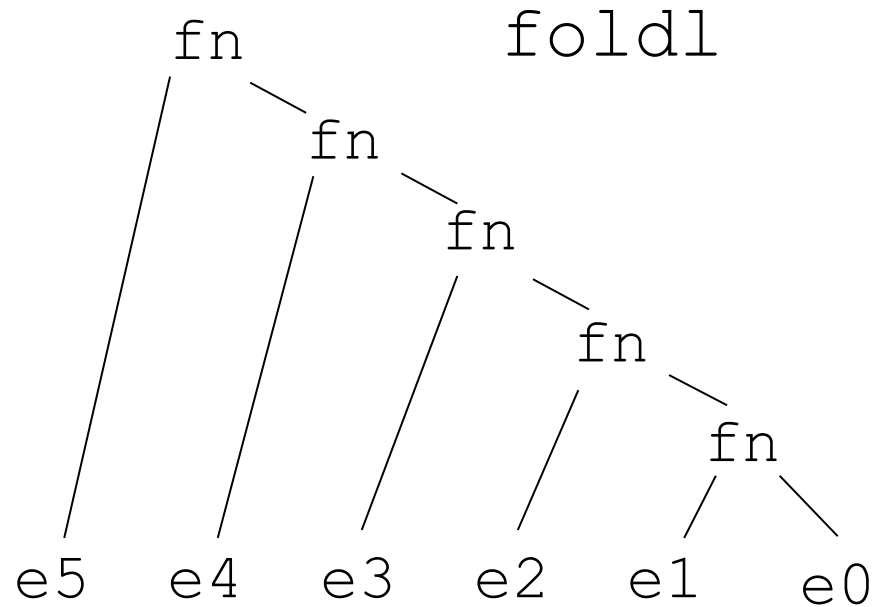


Foldr

```
(define (fold-right f a list)
  (cond ((null? list) a)
        (#t (f (car list)
                (fold-right f a (cdr list))))
  ))
```

Foldl

```
(foldl fn e0 ' (e1 e2 e3 e4 e5) )
```



Foldl

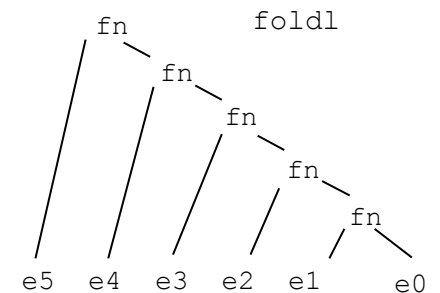
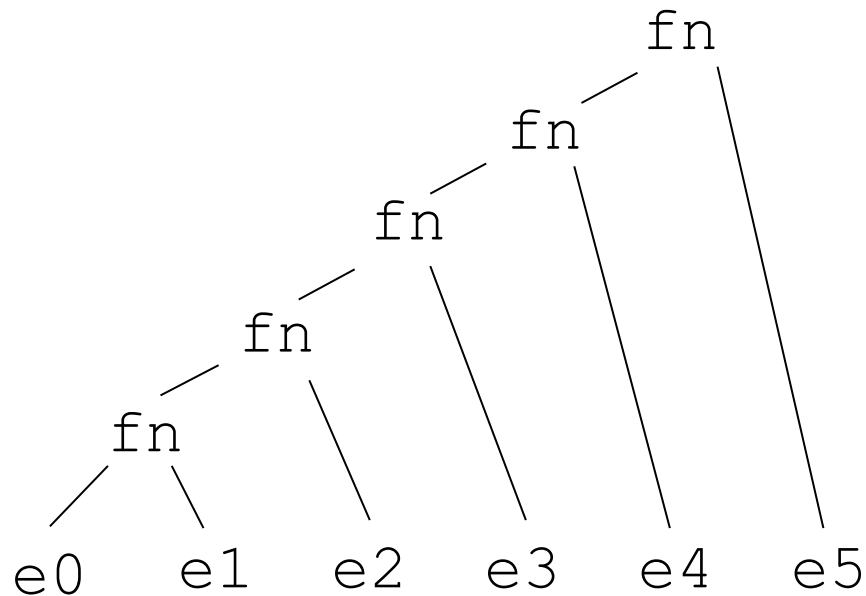
```
(define (fold-right f a list)
  (cond ((null? list) a)
        (#t (f (car list)
                 (fold-right f a (cdr list))))
  ))
```

```
(define (fold-left f
                   (f (car list) a)
                   (cdr list))))
```

Swap

```
(define (swapargs f)  
  (lambda (x y) (f y x)))
```

```
(foldl (swapargs fn) e0 '(e1 e2 e3 e4 e5))
```



Every / some

```
(every pred list1 ... listN)
```

```
(define (every1 pred list)
  (cond ((null? list) #t)
        (#t (and
              (pred (car list))
              (every1 pred (cdr list))))))
```

```
(define (some1 f list)
  (not (every1 (lambda (x) (not (f x))) list)))
```

Derivative

$$Df(x) \approx \frac{f(x + \epsilon) - f(x)}{\epsilon}$$

```
(define (deriv f)
  (lambda (x)
    (/ (- (f (+ x epsilon)) (f x))
        epsilon)))
```


Combining higher order functions

- add-only-numbers
- some
- flatten
- L2 norm
- filter
- length

Summary

- Higher order functions take functions as arguments or return functions
- Used to capture/reuse common patterns
- Create fundamentally new concepts
- Filter, apply, map, fold, swap