

CS 230
Programming Languages

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Today's Topics

- Questions? / Comments?
- Functional Programming
- More Scheme

Functional Programming Languages

- Remind us of the features of functional languages

Scheme

CAR takes a list parameter; returns the first **element** of that list

e.g., (CAR '(A B C)) yields A

(CAR '((A B) C D)) yields (A B)

Notice: CAR can evaluate to an **atom** or a **list**.

CDR takes a list parameter; returns the **list** after removing its first element

e.g., (CDR '(A B C)) yields (B C)

(CDR '((A B) C D)) yields (C D)

(CDR '(A B)) yields (B)

(CDR '(A)) yields ()

Notice: CDR always evaluates to a **list**.

Scheme

- Scheme

CONS takes two parameters, the first of which can be either an **atom** or a **list** and the second of which is a **list**; returns a new **list** that includes the first parameter as its first element and the second parameter as the remainder of its result

e.g., (CONS 'A '(B C)) returns (A B C)

(CONS '(A B) '(B C)) returns ((A B) B C)

LIST - takes any number of parameters; returns a list with the parameters as elements

Scheme

- Scheme

- DEFINE – used to create programmer-defined functions / or bind names to values of expressions
- When names are bound to values of expressions they are NOT variables, instead they are named constants.
- Either two atoms as parms, or two lists.
- Example when two atoms are given (creates a named constant):

(DEFINE games_in_season 162)

Scheme

- Scheme
 - DEFINE – used to create programmer-defined functions / or bind names to values of expressions
 - The form when two lists are given
 - binds the expressions collectively as a function to a function name and its parameters:

```
(DEFINE (func_name parameters)  
expression {expression}  
)
```

- Examples on next slide

Scheme

- Scheme

- Examples:

```
(DEFINE (square x) (* x x))
```

```
(DEFINE (hypotenuse side1 side1)
  (SQRT (+ (square side1)
           (square side2))))
)
```

What would these look like as imperative language functions?

Functional Programming

- Scheme
 - Numeric “predicate” functions return a Boolean
 - #T or #F
 - =, <>, >, <, >=, <=, EVEN?, ODD?, ZERO?
 - Empty list () is considered #F
 - Any non-empty list is considered #T

 - Symbolic Atoms and Lists “predicate” functions
 - EQ?, LIST?, NULL?, EQUAL?

Functional Programming

- Scheme
 - There is a difference between
 - =
 - eq?
 - equal?
 - = is used for numeric comparison
 - eq? is used for symbol/atom comparison
 - equal? is used for symbol/atom or list comparison
- There's more to it than what I say above ---- I'll photocopy some examples and their results for eq?, equal? and eqv? for your edification.

Functional Programming

- Scheme

- =, <>, >, <, >=, <=, EVEN?, ODD?, ZERO?

- EQ?, LIST?, NULL?, EQUAL?

- Examples:

- (= n 0)

- (NULL? somelist)

- (EQ? 'A (CAR somelist))

- (LIST? '())

- (EQUAL? '(a b z) '(a b z))

Functional Programming

- Scheme
 - and, or, not

– Examples:

```
(or (= n 0) (= n 1))
```

```
(not (= n 0))
```

```
(and (eq? 'a (car lis)) (= y 1))
```

Functional Programming

- Scheme

- input / output
- (read)
- (display "Hello World")
- (newline)
- (write "Hello World")
- (define x 5)
- (write x)

Functional Programming

- Scheme

- IF takes three params

(IF predicate then_expression else_expression)

- COND – is like switch / case statements

(COND

(predicate1 expression { expression })

(predicate2 expression { expression })

...

(predicaten expression { expression })

(ELSE expression { expression })

)

Functional Programming

- COND

- Predicates are evaluated in order until one is #T
- Then the expressions that follow that first #T predicate are evaluated and the value of the last one evaluated is the returned value.
- If no predicate is #T, then COND returns (), the empty list.
- ELSE at the end acts like a default if none of the other predicates are true it will evaluate that one.
- Can you see any differences or similarities to switch statements in Java?

Functional Programming

- COND
 - Can you see any differences or similarities to switch statements in Java?
 - In COND, there are implied “breaks” after each predicate (case.)

Scheme

- Recursion
 - To do any repetition, purely functional languages require recursion as there are no loops/iteration in purely functional languages.
 - Scheme does have imperative features, but we will prefer to use the functional features only.

Functional Programming

- Example of a function containing an IF
- Here, we are defining a function named factorial which takes one parameter n:

```
(DEFINE (factorial n)
  (IF (= n 0)
      1
      (* n (factorial (- n 1))))
)
```