

The Value of Everything & Procedure Practice

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One-Slide Summary

- In Scheme, **expressions evaluate** to **values**. Five **evaluation rules** describe this process.
- Lambda** means “make a function”. A lambda expression specifies the **formal parameter** and the **function body**.
- Evaluating a **function application** involves evaluating the function, finding its body, replacing the formal parameters with the evaluated **actual arguments**, and evaluating the result.

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Lecture Outline

- Survey Responses
- Evaluation Rules
 - Lambda
- Problem Set 1
 - Decent Scheme



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Lab and Office Hours

- Staffed Lab Hours**
 - Monday 12:30-13:30 (Small Hall)
 - Monday 14:00-15:00 (Small Hall)
 - Monday 17:00-19:30 (Thornton Stacks)
 - Tuesday 11:00-12:30 (Olsson 001)
 - Wednesday 10:30-13:00 (Thornton Stacks)
 - Thursday 10:00-12:30 (Thornton Stacks)
 - Sunday 13:00-17:00 (Olsson 001)
- Office Hours**
 - M W 13:30-14:00 (Olsson 219)

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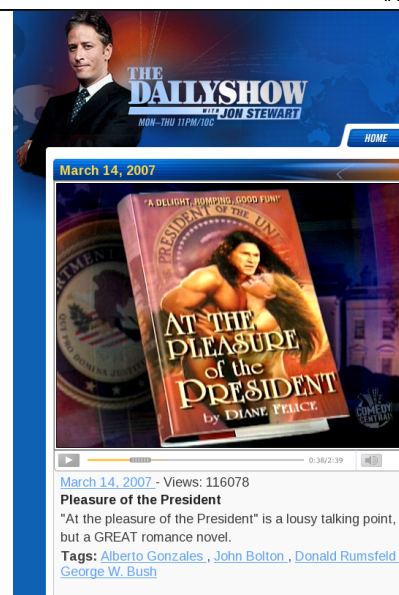
How To Use Lab Hours

- Read the problems on your own and try them out first.
 - You can **not** just go to a TA and say “I don’t get it, what do I do.”
 - The TA is allowed to send you away.
 - You must demonstrate about five minutes worth of work: either on scratch paper, or with code you’ve tried and commented out.
 - For example: how would you do it in English?
- Talk to your friends.
- Do **not** expect to finish the Problem Sets in just the staffed lab time.
 - They take longer. You must do much work alone.

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The Forum!

- Your questions for me are answered on the forum.
- Any questions right now?
 - As of 5pm yesterday, there were already 4 perfect scores and 1 other submission on PS1.



Who Are You?

- I am a weird frisbee player who likes to learn new things, plays volleyball, enjoys cycling, eats in class, shoots skeet, used to be afraid of computers, loves “Lost”, likes trampolines, snowboards, row on the UVA team, like sour candy, is certified for SCUBA, who is looking forward to attending my office hours.
 - CS 150 Gestalt Student, Spring 2010

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Problem Set 1

- Scheme's **Evaluation Rules** tell you how to find the **value** of any **expression**.
- Questions 1 and 2 ask you to evaluate Scheme expressions in your mind
 - This is a popular exam question.
- Without Evaluation Rules: guesswork
- Once you know the Evaluation Rules, you can answer without any guessing!

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Evaluation Rules

- Primitives** (`(* 55 66)`)
 - Evaluate to their pre-defined values
- Names** (`(+ x 2)`)
 - Evaluate to the value associated with that name
- Application** (`(square-root 144)`)
 - Eval all sub-expressions. Apply the value of the first (a function) to the values of the others.
- Lambda** (`(lambda (x) (* x x x))`)
 - Evaluates to a function with parameters and body
- If** (`(if (< 3 5) 99 11)`)
 - Eval predicate. **If** `#f`, eval second option. **Otherwise**, eval the first option.

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Primitive Examples

5
-88
#t
#f
+

What do these evaluate to?



Primitive Examples

55	-->	5
-88	-->	-88
#t	-->	true (#t)
#f	-->	false (#f)
+	-->	primitive addition

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Name Examples

(define x 55)
(define y 66)

x
y
z

What do these evaluate to?



Name Examples

(define x 55)
(define y 66)

x --> 55

y --> 66

z --> *reference to undefined identifier: z*

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Application Examples

(sqrt 16)

(abs -5)

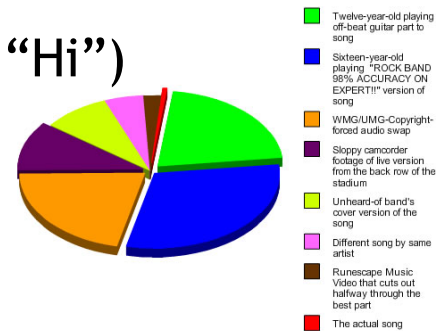
(string-length "Hi")

(+ 1 2)

(+ 1 2 3)

(+ 1)

Results of Searching YouTube for my Favourite Song



Application Examples

(sqrt 16) --> 4

(abs -5) --> 5

(string-length "Hi") --> 2

(+ 1 2) --> 3

(+ 1 2 3) --> 6

(+ 1) --> 1

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Liberal Arts Trivia: Antropology

- This American cultural anthropologist is famous for her studies of Samoa and her reports about the purportedly healthy attitude towards sex in South Pacific and Southeast Asian traditional cultures, which influenced the women's liberation movement (e.g., by claiming that females dominated in Chambri and Papua New Guinea without problems). Five years after she died, her work was challenged by Derek Freeman.

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Liberal Arts: Slavic Folklore

- This witch-like character in Slavic folklore lives in a walking house with chicken feet (but no windows and no doors), flies around on a giant mortar, and kidnaps (presumably to eat) small children. Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, a piano suite composed in 1874, features "The Hut on Bird's Legs" as its penultimate movement.

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Lambda

- Lambda** means "make a function".
- Consider: $\text{cube}(x) = x * x * x$
- Scheme-y: $\text{cube}(x) = (* x x x)$
- Lambda: $\text{cube} = (\text{lambda } (x) (* x x x))$
- Pure Scheme:
(define cube (lambda (x) (* x x x)))

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Anatomy Of A Function

- (define cube (lambda (x) (* x x x)))
formal parameters
function body
- (cube 5)
actual arguments
function application
- To evaluate a function application, replace it with the function body, and then replace every **formal parameter** with its corresponding **actual argument**.
- (cube 5) -> (* x x x) -> (* 5 5 5) -> 125

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Lambda Examples

```
(define cube (lambda (x) (* x x x)))
(define foo (lambda (p q) (+ p q)))
(define bar (lambda (a b c) (* a c)))

(cube 3)
(foo 5 6)
(bar 4 5 6)
(foo (cube 3) 1)
```

What do these evaluate to?



Lambda Examples

```
(define cube (lambda (x) (* x x x)))
(define foo (lambda (p q) (+ p q)))
(define bar (lambda (a b c) (* a c)))

(cube 3)          --> (* 3 3 3) -> 27
(foo 5 6)         --> (+ 5 6)  -> 11
(bar 4 5 6)       --> (* 4 6)   -> 24
(foo (cube 3) 1)  --> ...      -> 28
```

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Lambda Lambda Lambda

- Consider these two functions:
 - (define cube (lambda (x) (* x x x)))
 - (define cube (lambda (y) (* y y y)))
- Are they different?
- Consider:
 - (define nail (lambda (x y) (+ x y)))
 - (define polish (lambda (y x) (/ y x)))
- What is:
 - (polish (nail 6 4) 2)

Do this now on paper!



Sally Hansen does Lambda

```
(define nail (lambda (x y) (+ x y)))
(define polish (lambda (y x) (/ y x)))
(polish (nail 6 4) 2)
```

- This is a call to **polish** with tricky arguments.
- Recall the rule: evaluate the arguments first.
 - Argument 1: (nail 6 4) -> (+ x y) -> (+ 6 4) -> 10
 - Argument 2: 2 -> 2
- Now take **polish**'s body, and replace the formal parameters with the actual arguments:
 - (/ y x) -> (/ 10 2) -> 5

Why not (/ 2 10)?

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If Examples

```
(if #t "yes" "no")
(if #f "yes" "no")
(if (< 3 5) "ant" "bat")
(if (< 5 3) "cat" "dog")
(if "x" "y" "z")
(if (if 11 #f #t) 22 33)
```

What do these evaluate to?

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If Examples

```
(if #t "yes" "no")      -> "yes"
(if #f "yes" "no")      -> "no"
(if (< 3 5) "ant" "bat") -> "ant"
(if (< 5 3) "cat" "dog") -> "dog"
(if "x" "y" "z")        -> "y"
(if (if 11 #f #t) 22 33) -> 33
```

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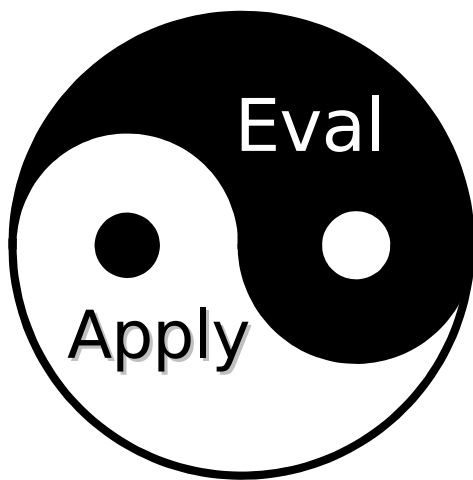
Scheme Trickery

- **(100 + 100)**
 - Error: The expression in the first position must be a function (or something special like if). 100 is not a function.
- **(if (not "batterie") "fouetté" "plié"))**
 - "plié". (not "batterie") returns #f, because "batterie" is not #f.
 - **(define (not v) (if v #f #t))**
- Does **(if X #t #f)** always equal **X**?
 - Yes for #t, #f, (< 3 5), (> 5 6).
 - No for 3, 17, "hello".

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Evaluating expressions and **Applying functions** are defined in terms of each other.

Without Eval, there would be no Apply,
Without Apply there would be no Eval!



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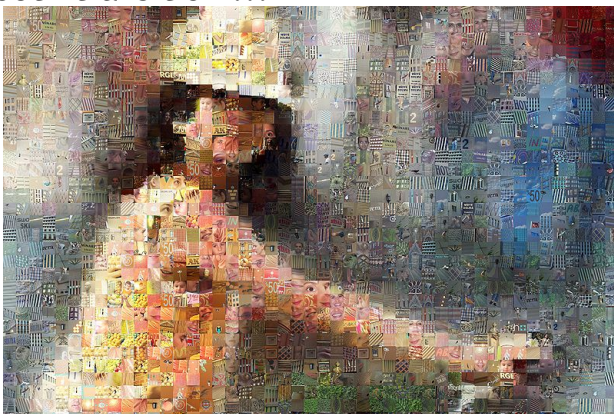
Now You Know All of Scheme!

- Once you understand **Eval** and **Apply**, you can understand all Scheme programs!
- Except:
 - There are many primitives, and you need to know their predefined meaning.
 - There are a few more special forms (like if).
 - We have not define the evaluation rules precisely enough to unambiguously understand all programs (e.g., what does "value associated with a name" mean?).

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Now On To Problem Set 1

- Smooth transition ...



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brighter?

```
(define brighter? (lambda (color1
                           color2) (if (> (+ (get-red color1)
                                              (get-green color1)
                                              (get-blue color1))
                                          (+ (get-red color2)
                                              (get-green color2)
                                              (get-blue color2))) #t
                                         #f)))
```

Is this correct?

Maybe...but very hard to tell.
Your code should appear in a way that reveals its structure

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```
(define brighter?
  (lambda (color1 color2)
    (if (> (+ (get-red color1)
              (get-green color1)
              (get-blue color1))
        (+ (get-red color2)
            (get-green color2)
            (get-blue color2))
        #t #f)))
```

Use [Tab] in DrScheme to line up your code structurally!

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Brighter brighter??

```
(define brighter?
  (lambda (color1 color2)
    (> (+ (get-red color1)
          (get-green color1)
          (get-blue color1))
       (+ (get-red color2)
          (get-green color2)
          (get-blue color2)))))
```

What can we do about this duplicated code?

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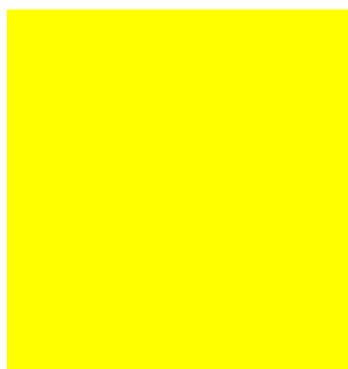
Brighter brighter??

```
(define brightness
  (lambda (color)
    (+ (get-red color)
       (get-green color)
       (get-blue color))))

(define brighter?
  (lambda (color1 color2)
    (> (brightness color1)
       (brightness color2))))
```

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Believable brighter??



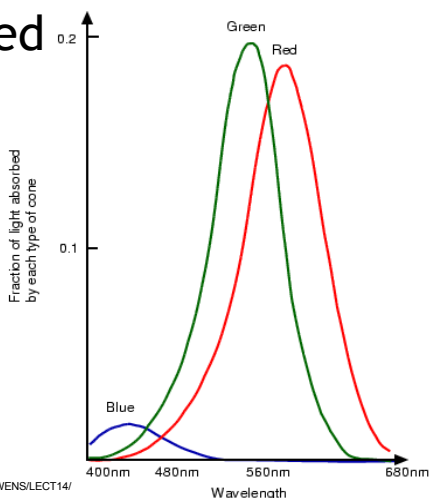
(make-color 255 255 0)



(make-color 255 1 255)

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Color Absorbed



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Cognitive Scientist's Answer

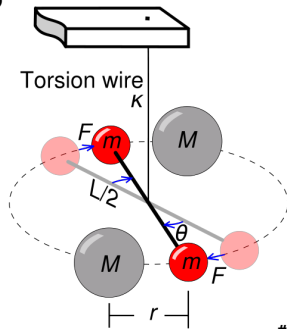
```
(define brightness
  (lambda (color)
    (+ (* 0.299 (get-red color))
       (* 0.587 (get-green color))
       (* 0.114 (get-blue color)))))

(define brighter?
  (lambda (color1 color2)
    (> (brightness color1)
       (brightness color2))))
```

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Liberal Arts Trivia: Physics

- This 1797 torsion balance experiment, sometimes called “weighing the earth”, was the first to measure the force of gravity between masses in the laboratory, and the first to yield accurate values of the gravitational constant and thus the mass of the Earth.



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Liberal Arts Trivia: Grab Bag

- Q. This series of music video games was produced by Konami in 1998. The series pioneered the rhythm and dance genre in video games. Players stand on a “dance platform” or stage and hit colored arrows laid out in a cross with their feet in time with musical and visual cues.

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Liberal Arts Trivia: Drama

- This classical Athenian tragedy by Sophocles, first performed in BC 429, is widely considered a supreme masterpiece of the art of Drama. The Oracle at Delphi tells the protagonist that he is doomed to marry his mother and kill his father. He goes on to do so, but not before solving the riddle of the sphinx: What is the creature that walks on four legs in the morning, two legs at noon, and three in the evening? Name the play *and* answer the riddle.

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What should you do if you can't get your code to work?

- Keep trying: think of alternate approaches
- Get help from the TAs and your classmates
- But, if it's too late for that ...
 - In your submission, explain what doesn't work and as much as you can what you think is right and wrong
- If you get less than 50% on the automatic adjudication part, the TAs will look over your source and give partial credit.

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Evaluation Rules

- A formal review and study guide follows ...

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Primitive Expressions

Expression ::= PrimitiveExpression

PrimitiveExpression ::= Number

PrimitiveExpression ::= #t | #f

PrimitiveExpression ::= Primitive Procedure

Evaluation Rule 1: Primitive. If the expression is a *primitive*, it evaluates to its pre-defined value.

> +
#<primitive:>

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Name Expressions

Expression ::= *NameExpression*

NameExpression ::= *Name*

Evaluation Rule 2: Name. If the expression is a *name*, it evaluates to the value associated with that name.

```
> (define two 2)
> two
2
```

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Definitions

Definition ::= (**define** *Name Expression*)

Definition Rule. A definition evaluates the *Expression*, and associates the value of *Expression* with *Name*.

```
> (define dumb (+ + +))
+: expects type <number> as 1st argument, given: #<primitive:+>;
other arguments were: #<primitive:+>
> dumb
reference to undefined identifier: dumb
```

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Application Expressions

Expression ::= *ApplicationExpression*

ApplicationExpression ::= (*Expression MoreExpressions*)

MoreExpressions ::= ϵ | *Expression MoreExpressions*

Evaluation Rule 3: Application. To evaluate an application expression:

- Evaluate** all the subexpressions;
- Then, **apply** the value of the first subexpression to the values of the remaining subexpressions.

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Rules for Application

- Primitive.** If the procedure to apply is a *primitive*, just do it.
- Constructed Procedure.** If the procedure is a *constructed (lambda) procedure*, **evaluate** the body of the procedure with each formal parameter replaced by the corresponding actual argument expression value.

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Constructing Procedures: Lambda

Expression ::= *ProcedureExpression*

ProcedureExpression

::= (**lambda** (*Parameters*) *Expression*)

Parameters ::= ϵ | *Name Parameters*

Evaluation Rule 4: Lambda. Lambda expressions evaluate to a procedure that takes the given *Parameters* as inputs and has the *Expression* as its body.

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Applying Constructed Procedures

Application Rule 2: Constructed Procedure. If the procedure is a *constructed (lambda) procedure*, **evaluate** the body of the procedure with each formal parameter replaced by the corresponding actual argument expression value.

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Applying Constructed Procedures

Application Rule 2: Constructed Procedure. If the procedure is a *constructed procedure*, **evaluate** the body of the procedure with each formal parameter replaced by the corresponding actual argument expression value.

```
> ((lambda (n) (+ n 1)) 2)
```

↓ Evaluation Rule 3a: evaluate the subexpressions

```
((lambda (n) (+ n 1)) 2)
```

↓ Evaluation Rule 3b, Application Rule 2

```
(+ 2 1)
```

↓ Evaluation Rule 3a, 3b, Application Rule 1

```
3
```

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Evaluation Rule 5: If

$Expression ::= (\text{if } Expression_{\text{Predicate}} \quad Expression_{\text{Consequent}} \quad Expression_{\text{Alternate}})$

Evaluation Rule 5: If. To evaluate an if expression:

- Evaluate the predicate expressions.
- If it evaluates to **#f**, the value of the if expression is the value of alternate expression. Otherwise, the value of the if expression is the value of consequent expression.

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Lambda Example: Tautology Function

```
(lambda      make a procedure
  ()         with no parameters
  #t)       with body #t
```

```
> ((lambda () #t) 150)
```

```
#<procedure>: expects no arguments, given 1: 150
```

```
> ((lambda () #t))
```

```
#t
```

```
> ((lambda (x) x) 150)
```

```
150
```

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Homework

- (In theory) You now know everything you need for PS1, PS2, PS3 and PS4 ...
- **Honor Pledge due today (now!)**
- **Problem Set 1 due Monday February 01**
 - ... at 3:30pm

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