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CS 152: Programming Language Paradigms



Higher Order Functions

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y is a variable in the set Y Y is the *range* of f. y∈Y is the *dependent variable*.

Qualities of Functional Programing

- 1. Functions clearly distinguish inputs from outputs
- 2. No assignment (pure)
- 3. No loops (pure)
- 4. Result depends only on input values
 - Evaluation order does not matter
- 5. Functions are first class values

Referential transparency

In purely functional programs you can

- replace an expression with its value
- write code free of side-effects

Functions are first-class data values.

We can do anything with them that we can do with other values.

Higher-order function

A function that

- takes functions as arguments; or
- returns a function as its result; or
- dynamically constructs new functions

Higher-order functions example (in class)

Map example

(define (add-one x) (+ x 1))



More map examples (define lst '(1 2 3 4 5)) (map number->string lst) (map (lambda(x) (* x x)) lst) (map number->string $(map (\lambda(x) (expt 2 x)))$ lst))



Combining higher-order functions

Lab 3: map and filter

See Canvas for a more detailed explanation.

- 1. Using map, implement strings-to-nums.
 (strings-to-nums '("1" "2"))
 -> '(1 2)
- 2. Using map, create a make-names function:
 - 1. input: list of first names, list of last names
 - 2. output: list of full names
- 3. Using the filter function, write a function that takes a list of employees and returns a list containing only managers.