

Artificial Intelligence

Lecture 13

LISP (LISt Processing)



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LISP

Lecture Outlines:

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- Functions
- Conditions (cond / if)
- Arrays
- Input & Output



Functions in LISP...

- **Defining function:**
- The macro named **defun** is used for defining functions. The **defun** macro needs three arguments –
 - Name of the function
 - Parameters of the function
 - Body of the function

Syntax for **defun** is –

(defun name (par1 par2 ...) “Optional documentation string” body)

Functions in LISP

- **Example 1**

Let's write a function named *averagenum* that will print the average of four numbers. We will send these numbers as parameters.

```
(defun averagenum (n1 n2 n3 n4)
  (/ (+ n1 n2 n3 n4) 4)
)
(write (averagenum 10 20 30 40))
```

When you execute the code, it returns the following result –

```
25
```

- **Example 2**

Let's define and call a function that would calculate the area of a circle when the radius of the circle is given as an argument.

```
(defun area-circle(rad)
  "Calculates area of a circle with given radius"
  (terpri)
  (format t "Radius: ~5f" rad)
  (format t "~%Area: ~10f" (* 3.141592 rad rad))
)
(area-circle 10)
```

When you execute the code, it returns the following result –

```
Radius: 10.0
Area: 314.1592
```

Conditions in LISP...

- Cond (for conditional) like if-then-else construct.

- The syntax for **cond** is:

```
(cond  (<test1> <action1>)
      (<test2> <action2>)
      -
      -
      -
      (<testk> <actionk>))
```

- Each ($\langle \text{test}_i \rangle \langle \text{action}_i \rangle$), $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k$, is a clause.

- **Example:** The following function returns the maximum of two numbers:

```
(defun max2 (a b)
  (cond ((> a b) (setq x a))
        (t (setq x b) )
  )
  (format t "Max: ~4d" x)
)
```

```
(max2 234 123)
```

Output:

Max: 234

Conditions in LISP...

- **If construct:**
- The **if** macro is followed by a test clause that evaluates to t or nil.
- If the test clause is evaluated to the t, then the action following the test clause is executed. If it is nil, then the next clause is evaluated.

- **Syntax:**

```
(If (test-clause) (action1) (action2))
```

- **Example:** The following function returns the maximum of three numbers:

```
(defun max3 (a b c)
  (if (>= a b)
      (if (>= a c) (setq x a)
          (setq x c))
      (if (>= b c) (setq x b)
          (setq c)))
  (format t "Max: ~3d" x)
)
(max3 13 11 14)
```

Output:

Max: 14

Conditions in LISP

- **Recursion:**

- **Example:**

The following function returns the factorial of a number:

```
(defun fact (n)
  "Compute the factorial of N."
  (cond ((zerop n) 1)
        (t (* n (fact (- n 1)))))
  )
)
(setq f (fact 6))
(format t "Factorial: ~4d" f)
```

- **Output:**

Factorial: 720

- **Example:** The following function returns the Nth Fibonacci number:

```
(defun fibonacci (N) "Compute
the N'th Fibonacci number."
  (if (or (zerop N) (= N 1)) 1
      (+ (fibonacci (- N 1))
          (fibonacci (- N 2)))))
)
(setq fib (fibonacci 6))
(format t "Nth Fibonacci:~4d"
fib)
```

- **Output:**

Nth Fibonacci: 13

Loops in LISP...

- **For loop construct:**
- The for loop construct follows several syntax:

```
(loop for loop-var in <a list>  
  do (action)  
)
```

```
(loop for loop-var from val1 to val2  
  do (action)  
)
```

- **Example:**

```
(loop for x in '(Tom Dick  
Harry)  
  do (format t "~s" x)  
)
```

Output:

Tom Dick Harry

```
(loop for i from 10 to 15  
  do (print i)  
)
```

Output:

10 11 12 13 14 15

Loops in LISP

- **Terminate the loop with a test (until, while)**

```
(loop for x in '(1 2 3 4 5)
      until (> x 3)
      do (format t "x is ~a~&" x)
      collect x)
```

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```
(loop for x in '(1 2 3 4 5)
      while (< x 4)
      do (format t "x is ~a~&" x)
      collect x)
```

Do and collect can be combined in one expression.

- **Loop...repeat:**

```
(loop repeat 10
      do (format t "Hello!~%" )
;This prints 10 times Hello!
```

- **Sum and Loop:**

```
(loop for i from 1 to 3
      sum (* i i) into total
      do (print i)
      finally (print total))
```

Output:

```
1 2 3 14
```

LISP – Arrays...

- In LISP, an array element is specified by a sequence of non-negative integer indices. The length of the sequence must equal the rank of the array. Indexing starts from zero.

- For example, to create an array with 10- cells, named my-array, we can write –

```
(setf my-array (make-array '(10)))
```

- The aref function allows accessing the contents of the cells. It takes two arguments, the name of the array and the index value. For example: (aref my-array 9)

- **Code:**

```
(setf a (make-array '(10)))  
(setf (aref a 0) 25)  
(setf (aref a 1) 23)  
(setf (aref a 2) 45)  
(setf (aref a 3) 10)  
(setf (aref a 4) 20)  
(setf (aref a 5) 17)  
(setf (aref a 6) 25)  
(setf (aref a 7) 19)  
(setf (aref a 8) 67)  
(setf (aref a 9) 30)  
(write a)
```

- **Output:**

```
#(25 23 45 10 20 17 25 19 67 30)
```

- **3-by-3 array**

```
(setf x (make-array '(3 3)  
:initial-contents  
'((0 1 2 ) (3 4 5) (6 7 8))))  
(write x)
```

- **Output:**

```
#2A((0 1 2) (3 4 5) (6 7 8))
```

- **Accessing Elements:**

```
(aref x 1 0) returns 3
```

```
(aref x 0 2) returns 2
```

LISP - Arrays

- To loop over an array nested loops can be used
- **For example:**

```
(defparameter a #2A((1 2 3) (4 5 6) (7 8 9)))  
(destructuring-bind (n m) (array-dimensions a)  
  (loop for i from 0 below n do  
    (loop for j from 0 below m do  
      (format t "a[~a ~a] = ~a~%" i j (aref a i j)))))
```

- **Output:**

a[0 0] = 1

:

A[2 2] = 9

LISP - Input & Output...

- **Reading Input from Keyboard**

The **read** function is used for taking input from the keyboard. It may not take any argument.

For example, consider the code snippet –

```
(write ( + 15.0 (read)))
```

Assume the user enters 10.2 from the STDIN Input, it returns,

```
25.2
```

- **Code:**

```
(setq x (read))
```

```
(write ( + 15.0 x))
```

LISP - Input & Output...

- **Reading Input from Keyboard**

- **Example:**

```
; calculates area of a circle
; when the radius is input from keyboard
(defun AreaOfCircle()
  (terpri)
  (princ "Enter Radius: ")
  (setq radius (read))
  (setq area (* 3.1416 radius radius))
  (princ "Area: ")
  (write area))
(AreaOfCircle)
```

When you execute the code, it returns the following result -

```
Enter Radius: 5 (STDIN Input)
Area: 78.53999
```

LISP - Input & Output...

- **Reading Input from Keyboard**

- **Example: Multiple Input**

```
; Multiple numbers from keyboard
(defun numSum()
  (terpri)
  (princ "Enter numbers: ")
  (setq n1 (read)) (setq n2 (read)) (setq n3 (read))
  (setq sum (+ n1 n2 n3))
  (princ "Sum: ")
  (write sum))
(numSum)
```

Output:

```
Enter numbers: 3 4 5 (STDIN Input)
Sum: 12
```

LISP - Input & Output...

- **The Output Functions**

Example

Create a new source code file named main.lisp and type the following code in it.

```
; this program inputs a numbers and doubles it
(defun DoubleNumber()
  (terpri)
  (princ "Enter Number : ")
  (setq n1 (read))
  (setq doubled (* 2.0 n1))
  (princ "The Number: ")
  (write n1)
  (terpri)
  (princ "The Number Doubled: ")
  (write doubled)
)
(DoubleNumber)
```

When you execute the code, it returns the following result –

```
Enter Number : 3456.78 (STDIN Input)
The Number: 3456.78
The Number Doubled: 6913.56
```

LISP - Input & Output

- **Formatted Output**

Example

Let us rewrite the program calculating a circle's area –

Create a new source code file named main.lisp and type the following code in it.

```
(defun AreaOfCircle()  
  (terpri)  
  (princ "Enter Radius: ")  
  (setq radius (read))  
  (setq area (* 3.1416 radius radius))  
  (format t "Radius: = ~F~% Area = ~F" radius area)  
)  
(AreaOfCircle)
```

When you execute the code, it returns the following result –

```
Enter Radius: 10.234 (STDIN Input)  
Radius: = 10.234  
Area = 329.03473
```


LISP (List Processing)
THE END