

CS 5510
Programming Languages

Fall 2011

Instructor: **Matthew Flatt**

Course Details

<http://www.eng.utah.edu/~cs5510/>

Programming Language Concepts

This course teaches concepts in two ways:

By implementing **interpreters**

- new concept \Rightarrow new interpreter

By using **Racket** and variants

- we don't assume that you already know Racket

Interpreters

An ***interpreter*** takes a program and produces a result

- DrRacket
- x86 processor
- desktop calculator
- **bash**
- Algebra student

A ***compiler*** takes a program and produces another program

In the terminology of programming languages, someone who translates Chinese to English is a *compiler*, not an *interpreter*.

PLAI Racket

See `quick-ref.rkt`

Bootstrapping

- We'd like to define languages via interpreters
- We'll implement interpreters in PLAI Racket

How do we define PLAI Racket?

Alternate way of defining languages: **sets and relations**

A Grammar for Algebra Programs

A grammar of Algebra in **BNF** (Backus-Naur Form):

$\langle \text{prog} \rangle ::= \langle \text{defn} \rangle^* \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
 $\langle \text{defn} \rangle ::= \langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{id} \rangle) = \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
 $\langle \text{expr} \rangle ::= (\langle \text{expr} \rangle + \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $\quad | (\langle \text{expr} \rangle - \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $\quad | \langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $\quad | \langle \text{id} \rangle$
 $\quad | \langle \text{num} \rangle$
 $\langle \text{id} \rangle ::= \text{a variable name: } \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}, \dots$
 $\langle \text{num} \rangle ::= \text{a number: } \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{42}, \mathbf{17}, \dots$

Each **meta-variable**, such as $\langle \text{prog} \rangle$, defines a set

Using a BNF Grammar

$\langle \text{id} \rangle ::=$ a variable name: **f**, **x**, **y**, **z**, ...

$\langle \text{num} \rangle ::=$ a number: **1**, **42**, **17**, ...

The set $\langle \text{id} \rangle$ is the set of all variable names

The set $\langle \text{num} \rangle$ is the set of all numbers

To make an example member of $\langle \text{num} \rangle$, simply pick an element from the set

1 \in $\langle \text{num} \rangle$

198 \in $\langle \text{num} \rangle$

Using a BNF Grammar

```
<expr> ::= (<expr> + <expr>)  
        | (<expr> - <expr>)  
        | <id> (<expr>)  
        | <id>  
        | <num>
```

The set `<expr>` is defined in terms of other sets

Using a BNF Grammar

```
<expr> ::= (<expr> + <expr>)  
         | (<expr> - <expr>)  
         | <id> (<expr>)  
         | <id>  
         | <num>
```

To make an example `<expr>`:

- choose one case in the grammar
- pick an example for each meta-variable
- combine the examples with literal text

Using a BNF Grammar

$\langle \text{expr} \rangle ::= (\langle \text{expr} \rangle + \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $| (\langle \text{expr} \rangle - \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $| \langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $| \langle \text{id} \rangle$
 $| \langle \text{num} \rangle$



To make an example $\langle \text{expr} \rangle$:

- choose one case in the grammar
- pick an example for each meta-variable

$7 \in \langle \text{num} \rangle$

- combine the examples with literal text

$7 \in \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

Using a BNF Grammar

```
<expr> ::= (<expr> + <expr>)  
         | (<expr> - <expr>)  
         | <id> (<expr>) ←  
         | <id>  
         | <num>
```

To make an example $\langle \text{expr} \rangle$:

- choose one case in the grammar
- pick an example for each meta-variable

$\mathbf{f} \in \langle \text{id} \rangle$ $\mathbf{7} \in \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

- combine the examples with literal text

$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{7}) \in \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

Using a BNF Grammar

$\langle \text{expr} \rangle ::= (\langle \text{expr} \rangle + \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $| (\langle \text{expr} \rangle - \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
 $| \langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{expr} \rangle)$ ←
 $| \langle \text{id} \rangle$
 $| \langle \text{num} \rangle$

To make an example $\langle \text{expr} \rangle$:

- choose one case in the grammar
- pick an example for each meta-variable

$\mathbf{f} \in \langle \text{id} \rangle$ $\mathbf{f} (7) \in \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

- combine the examples with literal text

$\mathbf{f} (\mathbf{f} (7)) \in \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

Using a BNF Grammar

$\langle \text{prog} \rangle ::= \langle \text{defn} \rangle^* \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

$\langle \text{defn} \rangle ::= \langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{id} \rangle) = \langle \text{expr} \rangle$

$f(x) = (x + 1) \in \langle \text{defn} \rangle$

To make a $\langle \text{prog} \rangle$ pick some number of $\langle \text{defn} \rangle$ s

$(x + y) \in \langle \text{prog} \rangle$

$f(x) = (x + 1)$

$g(y) = f((y - 2)) \in \langle \text{prog} \rangle$

$g(7)$

Programming Languages via Sets and Relations

A programming language can be defined by

- a grammar for programs
- rules for evaluating any program to produce a result

For example, Algebra evaluation is defined in terms of evaluation steps:

$$(2 + (7 - 4)) \quad \rightarrow \quad (2 + 3) \quad \rightarrow \quad 5$$

Programming Languages via Sets and Relations

A programming language can be defined by

- a grammar for programs
- rules for evaluating any program to produce a result

For example, Algebra evaluation is defined in terms of evaluation steps:

$$f(x) = (x + 1)$$

$$f(10) \quad \rightarrow \quad (10 + 1) \quad \rightarrow \quad 11$$

Evaluation

- Evaluation \rightarrow is defined by a set of pattern-matching rules:

$$(2 + (7 - 4)) \rightarrow (2 + 3)$$

due to the pattern rule

$$\dots (7 - 4) \dots \rightarrow \dots 3 \dots$$

Evaluation

- Evaluation \rightarrow is defined by a set of pattern-matching rules:

$$f(x) = (x + 1)$$

$$f(10) \rightarrow (10 + 1)$$

due to the pattern rule

$$\dots \langle id \rangle_1 (\langle id \rangle_2) = \langle expr \rangle_1 \dots$$

$$\dots \langle id \rangle_1 (\langle expr \rangle_2) \dots \rightarrow \dots \langle expr \rangle_3 \dots$$

where $\langle expr \rangle_3$ is $\langle expr \rangle_1$ with $\langle id \rangle_2$ replaced by $\langle expr \rangle_2$

Pattern-Matching Rules for Evaluation

- **Rule 1**

... $\langle \text{id} \rangle_1 (\langle \text{id} \rangle_2) = \langle \text{expr} \rangle_1$...

... $\langle \text{id} \rangle_1 (\langle \text{expr} \rangle_2)$... \rightarrow ... $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_3$...

where $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_3$ is $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_1$ with $\langle \text{id} \rangle_2$ replaced by $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_2$

- **Rules 2 - ∞**

...	(0 + 0)	...	\rightarrow	...	0	...	...	(0 - 0)	...	\rightarrow	...	0	...
...	(1 + 0)	...	\rightarrow	...	1	...	...	(1 - 0)	...	\rightarrow	...	1	...
...	(0 + 1)	...	\rightarrow	...	1	...	...	(0 - 1)	...	\rightarrow	...	-1	...
					<i>etc.</i>							<i>etc.</i>	

When the interpreter is a program instead of an Algebra student,
the rules look a little different

PLAI Racket Values

```
⟨val⟩ ::= ⟨num⟩  
      | ⟨bool⟩  
      | ⟨string⟩  
      | ⟨symbol⟩  
      | ⟨prim⟩  
      | (list ⟨val⟩*)  
      | (void)  
      | (⟨variant-id⟩ ⟨val⟩*)  
      | (lambda (⟨id⟩*) ⟨expr⟩)
```

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
⟨expr⟩ ::= ⟨val⟩
        | ⟨id⟩
        | (⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩*)
        | (or ⟨expr⟩*)
        | (and ⟨expr⟩*)
        | (if ⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩)
        | (cond [⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩]*)
        | (local [⟨defn⟩*] ⟨expr⟩)
        | (type-case ⟨id⟩ ⟨expr⟩ ⟨clause⟩)
        | (set! ⟨id⟩ ⟨expr⟩)

⟨clause⟩ ::= [⟨variant-id⟩ (⟨id⟩*) ⟨expr⟩]
```

PLAI Racket Programs

$\langle \text{prog} \rangle ::= \langle \text{form} \rangle^*$

$\langle \text{form} \rangle ::= \langle \text{expr} \rangle$
| $\langle \text{defn} \rangle$

$\langle \text{defn} \rangle ::= (\text{define } \langle \text{id} \rangle \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
| $(\text{define } (\langle \text{id} \rangle \langle \text{id} \rangle^*) \langle \text{expr} \rangle)$
| $(\text{define-type } \langle \text{id} \rangle \langle \text{variant} \rangle^*)$

$\langle \text{variant} \rangle ::= [\langle \text{id} \rangle (\langle \text{id} \rangle \langle \text{expr} \rangle)^*]$

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>)

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```



PLAI Racket Evaluation

... (define <id>_I <val>_I) ...
... <id>_I ... → ... <val>_I ...

Example:

(define pi 3)
(+ pi 1) → (+ 3 1)

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>)

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```



PLAI Racket Evaluation

... (`<prim>` `<val>1` ... `<val>n`) ... \rightarrow ... `<val>0` ...

based on some “memorized” rule for `<prim>`

Examples:

`(+ 1 1)` \rightarrow `2`

• `(string-append "a" "b")` \rightarrow `"ab"`

PLAI Racket Evaluation

... (define (<id>₁ <id>₂) <expr>₁) ...
... (<id>₁ <val>₂) ... → ... <expr>₃ ...
where <expr>₃ is <expr>₁ with <id>₂ replaced by <val>₂

Example:

(define (f x) (+ x 1))
(f 2) → (+ 2 1) → 3

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>  
| <id>  
| (<expr> <expr>*)  
| (or <expr>*) ←  
| (and <expr>*) ←  
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)  
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)  
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)  
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)  
| (set! <id> <expr>)  
  
<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(or #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(or <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(or #t <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `#t`

`(or)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and #t <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(and <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(and)` \rightarrow `#t`

Example:

`(or (= 1 1) (= 1 2))` \rightarrow `(or #t (= 1 2))` \rightarrow `#t`

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(or #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(or <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(or #t <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `#t`

`(or)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and #t <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(and <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(and)` \rightarrow `#t`

Example:

`(and (= 1 1) (= 1 2))` \rightarrow `(and #t (= 1 2))`
 \rightarrow `(and (= 1 2))` \rightarrow `(and #f)` \rightarrow `#f`

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(or #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(or <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(or <val> <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `<val>`

`(or)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and #f <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `#f`

`(and <val> <expr>1 ... <expr>n)` \rightarrow `(and <expr>1 ... <expr>n)`

`(and <val>)` \rightarrow `<val>`

`(and)` \rightarrow `#t`

in this notation, earlier rules take precedence

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>)

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```



PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(if #f <expr>1 <expr>2) → <expr>2`

`(if <val> <expr>1 <expr>2) → <expr>1`

Examples:

`(if (= 1 1) 10 20) → (if #t 10 20) → 10`

`(if (= 1 2) 10 20) → (if #f 10 20) → 20`

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*) ←
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>)

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(cond` \rightarrow `(cond`
 `[#f <expr>1a]` `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...`
 `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...` `[<expr>nq <expr>na]`)
 `[<expr>nq <expr>na]`)

`(cond` \rightarrow `<expr>1a`
 `[<val> <expr>1a]`
 `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...`
 `[<expr>nq <expr>na]`)

Example:

`(cond [#t 0] [else 10]) \rightarrow 0`

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(cond` \rightarrow `(cond`
 `[#f <expr>1a]` `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...`
 `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...` `[<expr>nq <expr>na]`
 `[<expr>nq <expr>na])`

`(cond` \rightarrow `<expr>1a`
 `[<val> <expr>1a]`
 `[<expr>2q <expr>2a] ...`
 `[<expr>nq <expr>na])`

Example:

`(cond [#f 0] [else 10])` \rightarrow `(cond [else 10])`

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(cond [else <expr>]) → <expr>`

`(cond) → (void)`

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>)

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```



PLAI Racket Evaluation

```
... (local [(define <id>i <expr>i)]  
      <expr>0) ...  
→ (define <id>ia <expr>ia)  
   ... <expr>0a ...
```

where $\langle id \rangle_{ia}$ is unused and $\langle expr \rangle_{ia}$ is the same as $\langle expr \rangle_i$ with $\langle id \rangle_i$ replaced by $\langle id \rangle_{ia}$

Example:

```
(define x 1) → (define x 1)  
(local [(define x 2)] (define x42 2)  
  (+ x 3))      (+ x42 3)
```

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
⟨expr⟩ ::= ⟨val⟩
| ⟨id⟩
| (⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩*)
| (or ⟨expr⟩*)
| (and ⟨expr⟩*)
| (if ⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩)
| (cond [⟨expr⟩ ⟨expr⟩]*)
| (local [⟨defn⟩*] ⟨expr⟩)
| (type-case ⟨id⟩ ⟨expr⟩ ⟨clause⟩) ←
| (set! ⟨id⟩ ⟨expr⟩)

⟨clause⟩ ::= [⟨variant-id⟩ (⟨id⟩*) ⟨expr⟩]
```


PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(type-case <id>0 (<variant-id>1 <val>) → <expr>1a`
 `[<variant-id>1 (<id>) <expr>1]`
`<clause>1 ... <clause>n)`

where `<expr>1a` is the same as `<expr>1` with `<id>` replaced by `<val>`

Example:

```
(define-type Light
  [bulb (watts number?)]
  [led (volts number?)])

(type-case Light (bulb 100) → (< 100 75)
  [bulb (w) (< w 75)]
  [led (v) (zero? v)])
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

```
(type-case <id>0 (<variant-id>1 <val>) → <expr>1a  
  [<variant-id>1 (<id>) <expr>1]  
  <clause>1 ... <clause>n)
```

where $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_{1a}$ is the same as $\langle \text{expr} \rangle_1$ with $\langle \text{id} \rangle$ replaced by $\langle \text{val} \rangle$

Example:

```
(define-type Light  
  [bulb (watts number?)]  
  [led (volts number?)])  
  
(type-case Light (led 1) →  
  [bulb (w) (< w 75)]  
  [led (v) (zero? v)])
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

`(type-case <id>0 (<variant-id>1 <val>)`

`[<variant-id>2 (<id>) <expr>2]`

`<clause>1 ... <clause>n)`

`→ (type-case <id>0 (<variant-id>1 <val>)`
`<clause>1 ... <clause>n)`

Example:

```
(define-type Light
  [bulb (watts number?)]
  [led (volts number?)])
```

```
(type-case Light (led 1) → (type-case Light (led 1)
  [bulb (w) (< w 75)]      [led (v) (zero? v)])
  [led (v) (zero? v)])
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

(**type-case** $\langle id \rangle_0$ ($\langle variant-id \rangle_1$ $\langle val \rangle$) \rightarrow $\langle expr \rangle$
[**else** $\langle expr \rangle$])

PLAI Racket Expressions

```
<expr> ::= <val>
| <id>
| (<expr> <expr>*)
| (or <expr>*)
| (and <expr>*)
| (if <expr> <expr> <expr>)
| (cond [<expr> <expr>]*)
| (local [<defn>*] <expr>)
| (type-case <id> <expr> <clause>)
| (set! <id> <expr>) ←

<clause> ::= [<variant-id> (<id>*) <expr>]
```

PLAI Racket Evaluation

... (define <id>₁ <val>₁) ... → ... (define <id>₁ <val>₂) ...
... (set! <id>₁ <val>₂) (void) ...

Example:

(define pi 3) → (define pi 4)
(set! pi 4) (void)

Homework 0

- Create handin account
- Racket warm-up exercises

Due Tuesday, August 30