


Computational Structures in Data Science




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Lecture #7: Higher Order Functions & Environments

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Announcements!

- **Late Adds:**
 - If you filled out the form on Piazza you'll hear from us soon.
 - If you're coming from 61A, you can copy over Labs and HW 0-2
 - The roster is delayed ☹, so please send us an email so we can add you
 - If you want E.C. for lab practice questions you'll need to turn in lab 2 – you'll get an extension to turn in lab since you cannot try the practice until we add you.
- **No Class Monday, please attend any lab Tues!**


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Computational Concepts Toolbox

- **Data type:** values, literals, operations,
 - e.g., int, float, string
- Expressions, Call expression
- Variables
- Assignment Statement
- Sequences: list
- Data structures
- Call Expressions
- **Function Definition Statement**
- **Conditional Statement**
- **Iteration:**
 - data-driven (list comprehension)
 - control-driven (for statement)
 - while statement



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Computational Concepts today

- **Higher Order Functions**
 - Functions as Values
 - Functions with functions as argument
 - Functions that *return* a function
- **"Environments"**
 - These are a tools to help us understand what variables or parameters are accessible in which functions.

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Three super important HOFs

* For the builtin filter/map, you need to then call list on it to get a list.
If we define our own, we do not need to call list

```
list(map(function_to_apply, list_of_inputs))
```

Applies function to each element of the list

```
list(filter(condition, list_of_inputs))
```


Returns a list of elements for which the condition is true

```
reduce(function, list_of_inputs)
```

Applies the function, combining items of the list into a "single" value.

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Today's Task: Acronym

Input: "The University of California at Berkeley"

Output: "UCB"

```
def acronym(sentence):
    """"YOUR CODE HERE"""
```

P.S. Pedantry alert: This is really an *initialism* but that's rather annoying to say and type. ☹ (However, the code we write is the same, the difference is in how you pronounce the result.) The more you know!

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MAP

```
list(map(function_to_apply, list_of_inputs))
```

Transform each of items by a function.
e.g. square()

Inputs (Domain):

- Function
- Sequence

Output (Range):

- A sequence

```
def map(function, sequence):
    return [ function(item) for item in sequence ]
```

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FILTER

```
list(filter(function, list_of_inputs))
```

Keeps each of item where the function is true.

Inputs (Domain):

- Function
- Sequence

Output (Range):

- A sequence

```
def filter(function, sequence):
    return [ item for item in sequence
            if function(item) == True ]
```

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Higher Order Functions

- Functions that operate on functions
- A function

```
def odd(x):
    return x%2==1

odd(3)
True
```

- A function that takes a function arg

```
def filter(fun, s):
    return [x for x in s if fun(x)]

filter(odd, [0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7])
[1, 3, 5, 7]
```

Why is this not 'odd'?

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What does this do?

```
list(filter(return_false,
           range(100))
)
```

Assume `return_false(42) == False`

- A) `range(0, 100)` # A standard range object
 B) `[0, 1, 2, ..., 96, 97, 98, 99]`
 C) `[]`
 D) Error
 E) I'm lost.

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REDUCE

```
reduce(function, list_of_inputs)
```

Successively **combine** items of our sequence

- function: `add()`, takes 2 inputs gives us 1 value.

Inputs (Domain):

- Function, with 2 inputs
- Sequence

Output (Range):

- An item, specifically, the output of our function.

```
def reduce(function, sequence):
    result = function(sequence[0], sequence[1])
    for index in range(2, len(sequence)):
        result = function(result, sequence[index])
    return result
```

Note: This reduce is slightly different than the homework one....

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Question: Inputs to our reducer?

```
reduce(sub, range(5))
reduce(add, range(5))
reduce(REDUCER, range(5))
```

How many inputs should our reducer accept?

- A) 0
 B) 1
 C) 2
 D) Unlimited
 E) I'm lost.

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Computational Concepts today



- Higher Order Functions
- Functions as Values
- Functions with functions as argument
- Functions with functions as return values
- Environment Diagrams



Big Idea: Software Design Patterns

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