

# CS 357 - Lab 002

Session 4

let -> lambda

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- No sign in quiz today, though we've already said several times this will be on the exam, so up to you if you stay
- Today we are prepping for the exam by practicing let -> lambda conversions
- The EXAM is WEDNESDAY the 24<sup>th</sup>, details on the next slide

# EXAM 1

Come prepared to:

1. Download a skeleton file
2. Open your editor and interpreter/compiler
3. Fill in the skeleton file with your answers
4. Upload your completed skeleton file

- Wednesday Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>
- Opens ***immediately after lecture:***  
Exam will be available at noon Wed.
- Once you start, you will have 2 hours to submit your exam file.
- A skeleton will be provided, USE IT.
- Exam closes after 24 hours:  
Exam will no longer be available at noon Thurs. the 25<sup>th</sup>

# let, let\*, letrec

## let

- Allows for scoped definitions
- Does not allow for individual definitions to reference each other
- Does not allow for individual definitions to reference themselves

```
(define fn
  (let
    ( ;; definitions
      (id1 def1)
      (id2 def2)
      ...
    )
    ( ;; usage
      (lambda (x y) (id2 (id1 x ...)))
    )
  )
)
```

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## let\*

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  (let*
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      (id2 (... def2 ... id1 ...))
      ...
    )
    ( ;; usage
      (lambda (x y) (id2 (id1 x ...)))
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)
```

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## letrec

- Allows for scoped definitions
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```
(define fn
  (letrec
    ( ;; definitions
      (id1 (... id1 ...))
      (id2 (... def2 ... def1 ...))
      ...
    )
    ( ;; usage
      (lambda (x y) (id2 (id1 x ...)))
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- Definitions are all at the same level
- They cannot reference each other, and so are simply “assigned” to values
- What other notation do we have for naming values for use in code?
  - (hint what is this lecture?)
- It’s Lambda notation



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## **let\***

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- Now we need to be able to refer to values named higher up the let\*
  - Not possible if they're all the same level... How can we solve this?
  - Nested Lambda scopes!

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## letrec

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```
(define fn
  (letrec
    ( ;; definitions
      (id1 (... id1 ...))
      (id2 (... def2 ... def1 ...))
      ...
    )
    ( ;; usage
      (lambda (x y) (id2 (id1 x ...)))
    )
  )
)
```

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## **letrec**

- Allows for scoped definitions
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- Now they have to be able to refer to themselves
  - I'll leave this one to the book and the internet, but it's absolutely good practice
  - Try to avoid infinite recursion, that'll come later in Haskell

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Go forth,  
write your software.

Remember, these slides are available:

[cs.unm.edu/~kageweiss/TA/cs357.html](http://cs.unm.edu/~kageweiss/TA/cs357.html)