

# Interpreters: Lisp in 100 lines

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# Slip: Lisp in 100 lines

```

(begin
  (define environment '())
  (define (loop output)
    (define rollback environment)
    (define (error message qualifier)
      (display message)
      (set! environment rollback)
      (loop qualifier))
    (define (bind-variable variable value)
      (define binding (cons variable value))
      (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
    (define (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
      (for-each bind-variable parameters arguments))
    (define (evaluate-sequence expressions)
      (define head (car expressions))
      (define tail (cdr expressions))
      (if (null? tail)
          (evaluate head)
          (evaluate-sequence tail)))
    (define (make-procedure parameters expression)
      (define lexical-scope environment)
      (lambda arguments
        (define dynamic-scope environment)
        (set! environment lexical-scope)
        (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
        (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
          (set! environment dynamic-scope)
          value)))
    (define (evaluate-application operator)
      (lambda operands
        (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))
    (define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
      (evaluate-sequence expressions))
    (define (evaluate-define variable expression)
      (define binding (cons variable '()))
      (set! environment (cons binding environment))
      (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
        (set-cdr! binding value)
        value))
    (define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
      (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
      (if (eq? boolean #f)
          (evaluate alternative)
          (evaluate consequent)))
    (define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
      (make-procedure parameters expression))
    (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
      (define binding (assoc variable environment))
      (if binding
          (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
            (set-cdr! binding value)
            value)
          (error "inaccessible variable: " variable)))
    (define (evaluate-variable variable)
      (define binding (assoc variable environment))
      (if binding
          (cdr binding)
          (eval variable (interaction-environment))))
    (define (evaluate expression)
      (cond
        ((symbol? expression)
         (evaluate-variable expression))
        ((pair? expression)
         (let ((operator (car expression))
               (operands (cdr expression)))
           (apply
             (case operator
               ((begin) evaluate-begin)
               ((define) evaluate-define)
               ((if) evaluate-if)
               ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
               ((set!) evaluate-set!)
               (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
        (else
         expression)));
    (display output)
    (newline)
    (display ">>>")
    (loop (evaluate (read))))
  (loop "Slip version 0"))
)

```

# Slip: Lisp in 100 lines

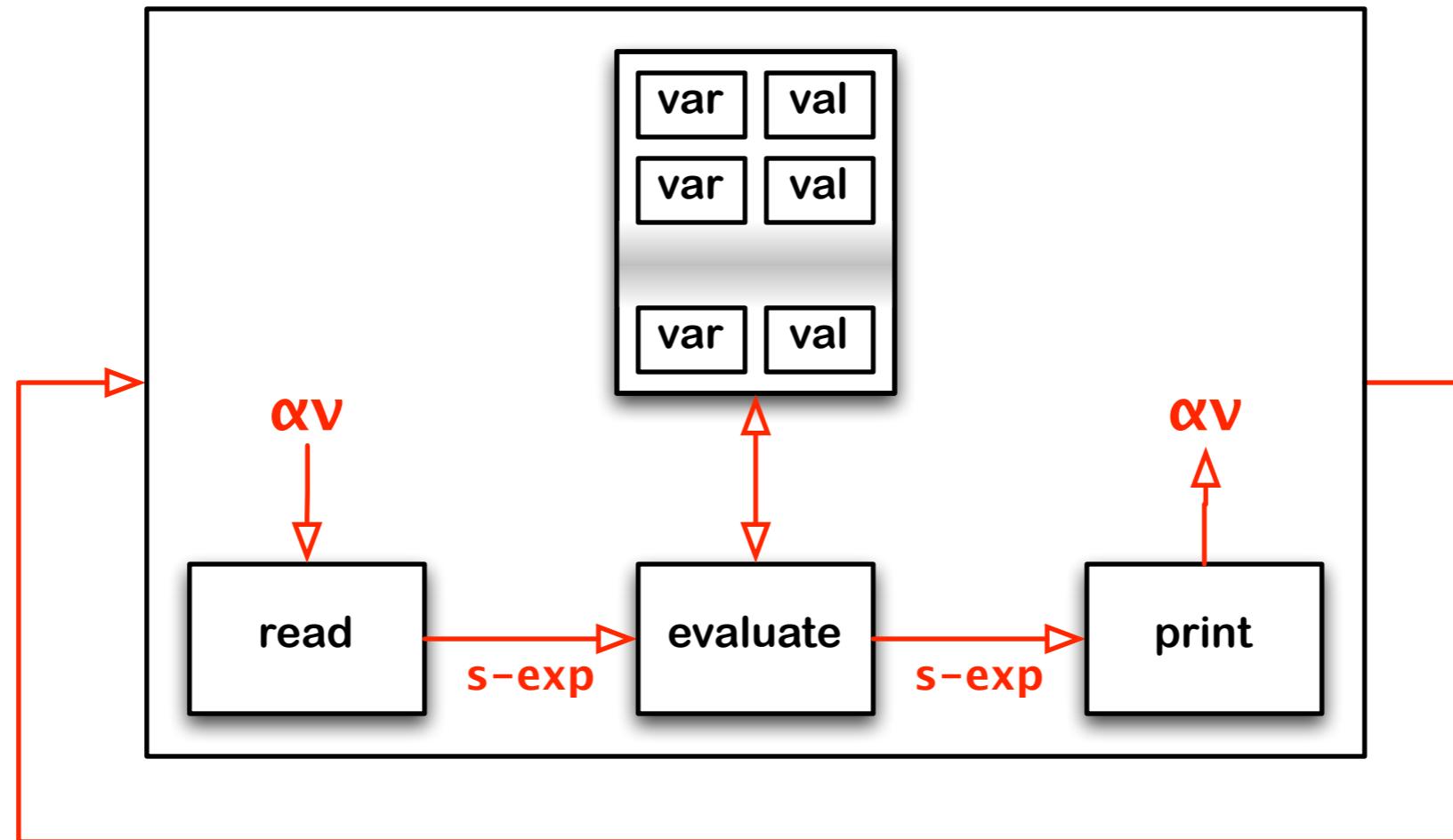
```

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  (define environment '())
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      (loop qualifier))
    (define (bind-variable variable value)
      (define binding (cons variable value))
      (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
    (define (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
      (for-each bind-variable parameters arguments))
    (define (evaluate-sequence expressions)
      (define head (car expressions))
      (define tail (cdr expressions))
      (if (null? tail)
          (evaluate head)
          (evaluate-sequence tail)))
    (define (make-procedure parameters expression)
      (define lexical-scope environment)
      (lambda arguments
        (define dynamic-scope environment)
        (set! environment lexical-scope)
        (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
        (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
          (set! environment dynamic-scope)
          value)))
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      (lambda operands
        (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))
    (define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
      (evaluate-sequence expressions))
    (define (evaluate-define variable expression)
      (define binding (cons variable '()))
      (set! environment (cons binding environment))
      (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
        (set-cdr! binding value)
        value))
    (define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
      (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
      (if (eq? boolean #f)
          (evaluate alternative)
          (evaluate consequent)))
    (define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
      (make-procedure parameters expression))
    (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
      (define binding (assoc variable environment))
      (if binding
          (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
            (set-cdr! binding value)
            value)
          (error "is not a variable: " variable)))
    (define (evaluate-variable variable)
      (define binding (assoc variable environment))
      (if binding
          (car binding)
          (evaluate-variable (interaction-environment))))
    (define (evaluate expression)
      (cond
        ((symbol? expression)
         (evaluate-variable expression))
        ((pair? expression)
         (let ((operator (car expression))
               (operands (cdr expression)))
           (apply
             (case operator
               ((begin) evaluate-begin)
               ((define) evaluate-define)
               ((if) evaluate-if)
               ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
               ((set!) evaluate-set!)
               (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
        (else
         expression)));
    (display output)
    (newline)
    (display ">>>")
    (loop (evaluate (read)))
    (loop "Slip version 0"))
  )
)

```

*Actually 80 lines!*

# Slip0 read-eval-print loop



# Slip0 read-eval-print loop (cont'd)

```
(define environment '())
(define (loop output)

  (display output)
  (newline)
  (display ">>>>")
  (loop (evaluate (read)))

  (loop "Slip version 0"))
Slip version 0
>>>(begin
  (define (factorial n continue)
    (define (continuation p)
      (continue (* n p)))
    (if (> n 1)
        (factorial (- n 1) continuation)
        (continue 1)))
  (factorial 10 display))
3628800
>>>
```

# Slip0 grammar

expression ::= computation | lambda | variable |  
literal | null

computation ::= definition | assignment | sequence |  
conditional | application

definition ::= (**define** variable expression)

assignment ::= (**set!** variable expression)

sequence ::= (**begin** expression+)

conditional ::= (**if** expression expression expression)

application ::= (expression+)

lambda ::= (**lambda** (variable\*) expression)

variable ::= symbol

literal ::= number | character | string | #t | #f

null ::= ()

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"Growing a Language" by Guy Steele  
keynote at the 1998 ACM OOPSLA conference

# Slip evaluation

```
(begin
  (define environment '())
  (define (loop output)
    (define rollback environment)
    (define (error message qualifier)
      (display message)
      (set! environment rollback)
      (loop qualifier))

    (define (evaluate expression)
      (cond
        ((symbol? expression)

         ((pair? expression)

          (else
            expression)))

        (display output)
        (newline)
        (display "">>>>"))
      (loop (evaluate (read)) environment))

    (loop "Slip version 0"))
```

# Slip evaluator

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
        (case operator
          ((begin) evaluate-begin)
          ((define) evaluate-define)
          ((if) evaluate-if)
          ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
          ((set!) evaluate-set!)
          (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
     expression)))
```

# Evaluator: variables

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!)
           (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
      expression)))
```

# Evaluator: variables

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-variable variable)
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (if binding
      (cdr binding)
      (eval variable (interaction-environment)))))
```

# Evaluator: variables

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-variable variable)
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (if binding
      (cdr binding)
      (eval variable (interaction-environment))))
```

reflective access to meta-variables

# Evaluator: literals

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
        (case operator
          ((begin) evaluate-begin)
          ((define) evaluate-define)
          ((if) evaluate-if)
          ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
          ((set!) evaluate-set!)
          (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
     expression)))
```

# Evaluator: literals

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!)
           (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
      expression)))
```

# Evaluator: forms

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
        (case operator
          ((begin) evaluate-begin)
          ((define) evaluate-define)
          ((if) evaluate-if)
          ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
          ((set!) evaluate-set!)
          (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
     expression)))
```

# Evaluation functions:

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
              alternative  
              consequent)))  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: define

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
              alternative  
              consequent)))  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: define

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)  
  (define binding (cons variable '()))  
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate)))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)  
  (define binding (cons variable '()))  
  (set! environment (cons binding environment))  
  (let ((value (evaluate expression)))  
    (set-cdr! binding value)  
    value))  
  
  (define value (evaluate expression))  
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
```

# Evaluation functions: define

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)  
  (define binding (cons variable '()))  
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate)))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)  
  (define binding (cons variable '()))  
  (set! environment (cons binding environment))  
  (let ((value (evaluate expression)))  
    (set-cdr! binding value)  
    value))  
  
  (define value (evaluate expression))  
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
```

support for recursive functions

# Evaluation functions: set!

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: set!

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
      (define value (evaluate expression))
      (define binding (assoc variable environment))
      (if binding
          (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
            (set-cdr! binding value)
            value)
          (error "inaccessible variable: " variable))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)

    (define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
      (make-procedure parameters expression))

    (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
      (define value (evaluate expression))
      (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: if

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: if

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative))
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (if (eq? boolean #f)
      (evaluate alternative)
      (evaluate consequent)))
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)
                consequent
                alternative)))
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: begin

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: begin

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-sequence expressions)
  (define head (car expressions))
  (define tail (cdr expressions))
  (let ((value (evaluate head)))
    (if (null? tail)
        value
        (evaluate-sequence tail))))
```

```
(define value (evaluate expression))
(define binding (assoc variable environment))
```

# Evaluation functions: begin

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-sequence expressions)
  (define head (car expressions))
  (define tail (cdr expressions))
  (let ((value (evaluate head)))
    (if (null? tail)
        value
        (evaluate-sequence tail))))
```

```
(define value (evaluate expression))
(define binding (assoc variable environment))
```

no tail recursion ...

# Evaluation functions: lambda

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
  
  (define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
    (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
  (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
    (define value (evaluate expression))
    (define binding (assoc variable environment))
```

# Evaluation functions: lambda

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))

(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)

    (define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
      (make-procedure parameters expression))

    (define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
      (define value (evaluate expression))
      (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: lambda

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '())))
(define (bind-variable variable value)
  (define binding (cons variable value))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))

(define (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
  (for-each bind-variable parameters arguments))
```

```
(make-procedure parameters expression))
```

```
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: static scope

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

- ① **save defining environment outside the procedure**

# Evaluation functions: static scope

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

- ② save calling environment  
inside the procedure

# Evaluation functions: static scope

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

③ switch to the defining environment

# Evaluation functions: static scope

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expression)
  (define lexical-scope environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-scope environment)
    (set! environment lexical-scope)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate expression)))
      (set! environment dynamic-scope)
      value)))
```

④ restore calling environment

# Evaluation functions: apply

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))  
  
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (evaluate (if (eq? boolean #f)  
  
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Evaluation functions: apply

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))  
  
(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))  
  
(define (evaluate-define variable expression)
  (define binding (cons variable '())))
```

```
(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands))))
```

```
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters expression)
  (make-procedure parameters expression))  
  
(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment)))
```

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
computation	::= definition   assignment   sequence   conditional   iteration   application
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> variable expression)
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> )
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable)
assignment	::= ( <b>set!</b> variable expression)
sequence	::= ( <b>begin</b> expression <sup>+</sup> )
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression expression)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression)
iteration	::= ( <b>while</b> expression expression <sup>+</sup> )
application	::= (expression <sup>+</sup> )
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>*</sup> ) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
literal	::= number   character   string   #t   #f
null	::= ()

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
computation	::= definition   assignment   sequence   conditional   iteration   application
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> variable expression)
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> )
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable)
assignment	::= ( <b>set!</b> variable expression)
sequence	::= ( <b>begin</b> expression <sup>+</sup> )
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression expression)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression)
iteration	::= ( <b>while</b> expression expression <sup>+</sup> )
application	::= (expression <sup>+</sup> )
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>*</sup> ) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
literal	::= number   character   string   #t   #f
null	::= ()

single-branch conditional

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
computation	::= definition   assignment   sequence   conditional   iteration   application
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> variable expression)
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> pattern expression+)
pattern	::= (variable+)
pattern	::= (variable+ . variable)
assignment	::= ( <b>set!</b> variable expression)
sequence	::= ( <b>begin</b> expression+)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression expression)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression)
iteration	::= ( <b>while</b> expression expression+)
application	::= (expression+)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable*) expression+)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable+ . variable) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
literal	::= number   character   string   #t   #f
null	::= () multi-expression function bodies

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   variable   literal   null   quote
computation	::= definition   assignment   sequence   conditional   iteration   application
definition	::= (define variable expression)
definition	::= (define pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable+)
pattern	::= (variable+ . variable)
assignment	::= (set! variable expression)
sequence	::= (begin expression+)
conditional	::= (if expression expression expression)
conditional	::= (if expression expression)
iteration	::= (while expression expression+)
application	::= (expression+)
lambda	::= (lambda (variable*) expression)
lambda	::= (lambda (variable+ . variable) expression)
lambda	::= (lambda variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
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quoted expressions

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
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definition	::= ( <b>define</b> variable expression)
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> )
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable)
assignment	::= ( <b>set!</b> variable expression)
sequence	::= ( <b>begin</b> expression <sup>+</sup> )
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression expression)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression)
iteration	::= ( <b>while</b> expression expression <sup>+</sup> )
application	::= (expression <sup>+</sup> )
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>*</sup> ) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
literal	::= number   character   string   #t   #f
null	::= ()

function defines

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
computation	::= definition   assignment   sequence   conditional   iteration   application
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> variable expression)
definition	::= ( <b>define</b> pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable <sup>+</sup> )
pattern	::= ( <b>variable<sup>+</sup> . variable</b> )
assignment	::= ( <b>set!</b> variable expression)
sequence	::= ( <b>begin</b> expression <sup>+</sup> )
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression expression)
conditional	::= ( <b>if</b> expression expression)
iteration	::= ( <b>while</b> expression expression <sup>+</sup> )
application	::= (expression <sup>+</sup> )
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>*</sup> ) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> (variable <sup>+</sup> . variable) expression)
lambda	::= ( <b>lambda</b> variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
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null	::= ()

variable arity functions

# Extensions: getting some practice

expression	::= computation   lambda   quote   variable   literal   null
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definition	::= (define variable expression)
definition	::= (define pattern expression)
pattern	::= (variable+)
pattern	::= (variable+ . variable)
assignment	::= (set! variable expression)
sequence	::= (begin expression+)
conditional	::= (if expression expression expression)
conditional	::= (if expression expression)
iteration	::= (while expression expression+)
application	::= (expression+)
lambda	::= (lambda (variable*) expression)
lambda	::= (lambda (variable+ . variable) expression)
lambda	::= (lambda variable expression)
quote	::= ' s-expression
variable	::= symbol
literal	::= number   character   string   #t   #f
null	::= ()

iterations

# Extension: dual-branch conditional

```
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent . alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (if (eq? boolean #f)
      (if (null? alternative)
          '()
          (evaluate (car alternative)))
      (evaluate consequent)))
```

# Extension: multi-expression function bodies

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expressions)
  (define lexical-environment environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-environment environment)
    (set! environment lexical-environment)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (let ((value (evaluate-sequence expressions)))
      (set! environment dynamic-environment)
      value)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define pattern . expressions)
  (define binding (cons pattern '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-lambda parameters . expressions)
  (make-procedure parameters expressions))
```

# Extension: quoted expressions

```
(define (evaluate-quote expression)
  expression)

(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((quote) evaluate-quote)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!)
           (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
      expression)))
```

# Extension: quoted expressions

```
(define (evaluate-quote expression)
  expression)

(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((quote) evaluate-quote)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!)
           (else (evaluate-application operands)))
         expression))))
```

#\$@\* !

```
(define (f t)
  (define z '(1 2 3))
  (if t (set-car! z 9))
  z)

(f #t)

(f #f)
```

# Using quotes

```
Slip version 1
>>>(begin
  (define counter
    (lambda (count)
      (begin
        (define self
          (lambda (message)
            (if (string=? message "+")
                (begin
                  (set! count (+ count 1))
                  self)
                (if (string=? message "-")
                    (begin
                      (set! count (- count 1))
                      self)
                    (if (string=? message "?")
                        count
                        "error")))))
              self)))
  (define c (counter 10))
  (((c "+") "+") "-") "?"))
11
>>>
```

# Extension: function defines

```
(define (evaluate-define pattern . expressions)
  (define binding (cons pattern '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment))
  (if (symbol? pattern)
      (let ((value (evaluate (car expressions))))
        (set-cdr! binding value)
        value)
      (let ((procedure (make-procedure (cdr pattern) expressions)))
        (set-car! binding (car pattern))
        (set-cdr! binding procedure)
        procedure)))
```

# Extension: function defines

```
(define (evaluate-define pattern . expressions)
  (define binding (cons pattern '()))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment))
  (if (symbol? pattern)
      (let ((value (evaluate (car expressions))))
        (set-cdr! binding value)
        value)
      (let ((procedure (make-procedure (cdr pattern) expressions)))
        (set-car! binding (car pattern))
        (set-cdr! binding procedure)))
```

```
(define (evaluate-define pattern . expressions)
  (if (symbol? pattern)
      (let* ((value (evaluate (car expressions)))
            (binding (cons pattern value)))
        (set! environment (cons binding environment))
        value)
      (let* ((binding (cons (car pattern) '())))
        (set! environment (cons binding environment))
        (let ((procedure (make-procedure (cdr pattern) expressions)))
          (set-cdr! binding procedure)
          procedure))))
```

recursive support for function defines only

# Extension: variable arity functions

```
(define (bind-variable variable value)
  (define binding (cons variable value))
  (set! environment (cons binding environment)))

(define (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
  (if (symbol? parameters)
      (bind-variable parameters arguments))
  (if (pair? parameters)
      (let
        ((variable (car parameters))
         (value    (car arguments)))
        (bind-variable variable value)
        (bind-parameters (cdr parameters) (cdr arguments)))))
```

# Using variable arity

```

Slip version 2
>>>(begin
(define empty 0)
(define full 1)
(define push 2)
(define pop 3)

(define (Stack n)
  (define stack (make-vector n))
  (define top -1))

(define (empty)
  (< top 0))

(define (full)
  (>= top n))

(define (push item)
  (set! top (+ top 1))
  (vector-set! stack top item)
  ())

(define (pop)
  (define item (vector-ref stack top))
  (set! top (- top 1))
  item)

(define (self message . arguments)
  (define methods (vector empty full push pop))
  (apply (vector-ref methods message) arguments))

self))
<procedure>

```

```

>>>(begin
(define S (Stack 10))
(define T (Stack 20))
(if (S full)
    (display 'Overflow)
    (S push 123))
(T push 456)
(if (S empty)
    (display 'Underflow)
    (S pop))
(display (T pop))
(newline)
(if (S empty)
    (display 'Underflow)
    (S pop)))456
Underflow<unspecified>
>>>

```

# Using variable arity (cont'd)

Slip version 2

```
>>>(begin
(define empty 0)
(define full 1)
(define push 2)
(define pop 3)
(define protect 4)

(define (Stack n)
  (define stack (make-vector n))
  (define top -1)

  (define (empty)
    (< top 0))

  (define (full)
    (>= top n))

  (define (push item)
    (set! top (+ top 1))
    (vector-set! stack top item)
    ())

  (define (pop)
    (define item (vector-ref stack top))
    (set! top (- top 1))
    item))
```

```
(define (protect)
  (define (p-push item)
    (if (full)
        (display 'Overflow)
        (push item)))

  (define (p-pop)
    (if (empty)
        (display 'Underflow)
        (pop)))

  (define (self message . arguments)
    (define methods (vector empty full p-push p-pop protect))
    (apply (vector-ref methods message) arguments))

  self)

(define (self message . arguments)
  (define methods (vector empty full push pop protect))
  (apply (vector-ref methods message) arguments))

  self))
<procedure>
>>>(begin
(define S (Stack 10))
(define T (Stack 20))
(S push 123)
(display (S pop))
(newline)
(define R (S protect))
(R push 1)
(R pop)
(R pop))
123
Underflow<unspecified>
>>>
```

# Extension: iteration

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)
     (evaluate-variable expression))
    ((pair? expression)
     (let ((operator (car expression))
           (operands (cdr expression)))
       (apply
         (case operator
           ((begin) evaluate-begin)
           ((define) evaluate-define)
           ((if) evaluate-if)
           ((lambda) evaluate-lambda)
           ((quote) evaluate-quote)
           ((set!) evaluate-set!)
           ((while) evaluate-while)
           (else (evaluate-application operator))) operands)))
    (else
      expression)))
```

# Extension: iteration

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)

     (define (evaluate-while predicate . expressions)
       (define (iterate value)
         (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
         (if (eq? boolean #f)
             value
             (iterate (evaluate-sequence expressions)))))
       (iterate '())))

    (((if)      evaluate-if      )
     ((lambda)   evaluate-lambda)
     ((quote)    evaluate-quote )
     ((set!)    evaluate-set! )
     ((while)   evaluate-while )
     (else      evaluate-application operator))) operands))

  (else
    expression)))
```

this is tail-recursive ...

# Extension: iteration

```
(define (evaluate expression)
  (cond
    ((symbol? expression)

     (define (evaluate-while predicate . expressions)
       (define (iterate value)
         (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
         (if (boolean? value)
             value
             (iterate (apply predicate value)))))

        (define (iterate value)
          (if (boolean? value)
              value
              (iterate (apply predicate value)))))

      (if (null? expressions)
          value
          (iterate (apply predicate value (cdr expressions))))))

    (else
      expression)))
```

...provided we do this

# Using iteration

```
Slip version 3
>>>(begin
  (define (QuickSort V Low High)
    (define Left Low)
    (define Right High)
    (define Pivot (vector-ref V (quotient (+ Left Right) 2)))
    (define Save 0)
    (while (< Left Right)
      (while (< (vector-ref V Left) Pivot)
        (set! Left (+ Left 1)))
      (while (> (vector-ref V Right) Pivot)
        (set! Right (- Right 1)))
      (if (<= Left Right)
          (begin
            (set! Save (vector-ref V Left))
            (vector-set! V Left (vector-ref V Right))
            (vector-set! V Right Save)
            (set! Left (+ Left 1))
            (set! Right (- Right 1))))))
      (if (< Low Right)
          (QuickSort V Low Right))
      (if (> High Left)
          (QuickSort V Left High))))
  (define V (make-vector 100 0))
  (define Low 0)
  (define High (- (vector-length V) 1))
  (define x 0)
  (define y 1)
  (while (<= x High)
    (vector-set! V x y)
    (set! x (+ x 1))
    (set! y (remainder (+ y 4253171) 1235711)))
  (QuickSort V Low High)
  (vector-ref V High))
1209460
>>>
```

# Slip in Slip

```
(begin
  (define circularity-level (+ circularity-level 1))
  (define meta-level-eval eval)
  (define eval ())

  (define environment ())
  (define (loop output)
    (define rollback environment)
    (define (evaluate expression)

      (define (error message qualifier)
        (display message)
        (set! environment rollback)
        (loop qualifier))

      (define (bind-variable variable value)
        (define binding (cons variable value))
        (set! environment (cons binding environment)))

      (define (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
        (if (symbol? parameters)
            (bind-variable parameters arguments)
            (if (pair? parameters)
                (begin
                  (define variable (car parameters))
                  (define value (car arguments)))
                (bind-variable variable value)
                (bind-parameters (cdr parameters) (cdr arguments))))))

      (define (evaluate-sequence expressions)
        (define head (car expressions))
        (define tail (cdr expressions))
        (if (null? tail)
            (evaluate head)
            (begin
              (evaluate head)
              (evaluate-sequence tail))))))
```

# Slip in Slip (cont'd)

```
(define (make-procedure parameters expressions)
  (define lexical-environment environment)
  (lambda arguments
    (define dynamic-environment environment)
    (set! environment lexical-environment)
    (bind-parameters parameters arguments)
    (define value (evaluate-sequence expressions))
    (set! environment dynamic-environment)
    value))

(define (evaluate-application operator)
  (lambda operands
    (apply (evaluate operator) (map evaluate operands)))))

(define (evaluate-begin . expressions)
  (evaluate-sequence expressions))

(define (evaluate-define pattern . expressions)
  (if (symbol? pattern)
      (begin
        (define value (evaluate (car expressions)))
        (define binding (cons pattern value))
        (set! environment (cons binding environment))
        value)
      (begin
        (define binding (cons (car pattern) ()))
        (set! environment (cons binding environment))
        (define procedure (make-procedure (cdr pattern) expressions))
        (set-cdr! binding procedure)
        procedure)))
  
```

# Slip in Slip (cont'd)

```
(define (evaluate-if predicate consequent . alternative)
  (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
  (if (eq? boolean #f)
      (if (null? alternative)
          '()
          (evaluate (car alternative)))
      (evaluate consequent)))

(define (evaluate-lambda parameters . expressions)
  (make-procedure parameters expressions))

(define (evaluate-quote expression)
  expression)

(define (evaluate-set! variable expression)
  (define value (evaluate expression))
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (if (pair? binding)
      (begin
        (define value (evaluate expression))
        (set-cdr! binding value)
        value)
      (error "inaccessible variable: " variable)))

(define (evaluate-variable variable)
  (define binding (assoc variable environment))
  (if (pair? binding)
      (cdr binding)
      (meta-level-eval variable)))

(define (evaluate-while predicate . expressions)
  (define (iterate value)
    (define boolean (evaluate predicate))
    (if (eq? boolean #f)
        value
        (iterate (evaluate-sequence expressions)))))
  (iterate ()))
```

# Slip in Slip (cont'd)

```
(if (symbol? expression)
  (evaluate-variable expression)
  (if (pair? expression)
    (begin
      (define operator (car expression))
      (define operands (cdr expression))
      (apply
        (if (eq? operator 'begin) evaluate-begin
            (if (eq? operator 'define) evaluate-define
                (if (eq? operator 'if) evaluate-if
                    (if (eq? operator 'lambda) evaluate-lambda
                        (if (eq? operator 'quote) evaluate-quote
                            (if (eq? operator 'set!) evaluate-set!
                                (if (eq? operator 'while) evaluate-while
                                    (evaluate-application operator))))))) operands)))
      expression)))

  (display output)
  (newline)
  (display "level ")
  (display circularity-level)
  (display ">")
  (set! eval evaluate)
  (loop (evaluate (read)))))

(loop "Meta-Circular Slip" ()))
```

# Of Chickens and Eggs

```
(begin
  (define circularity-level 0)
  (define meta-level-eval eval)
  (define eval '())

  (loop (evaluate (read)))

  (loop "Root-Level Slip" '())
Slip version 3
>>>
(begin
  (define circularity-level (+ circularity-level 1))
  (define meta-level-eval eval)
  (define eval ())
  (define environment ())
  (define (loop output)
    (define rollback environment)

    (loop "Meta-Circular Slip" ()))
Meta-Circular Slip
level 1>
(begin
  (define circularity-level (+ circularity-level 1))

  (loop "Meta-Circular Slip" ()))
Meta-Circular Slip
level 2>
(begin
  (define circularity-level (+ circularity-level 1))

  (loop "Meta-Circular Slip" ()))
Meta-Circular Slip
level 3>(+ 1 2)
3
level 3>
```

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