

Chapter 3a

Streams

Topics of Chapters 1 & 2

	data	procedures
primitive	x	x
combinations	x	x
abstraction	x	x

But this is not sufficient for organizing large systems. Now we study **modularity**.

Chapter 3: Forms of Modularity

Organize a system
in a **modular way**

Raises the linguistic
issue of “state”

According to the **objects**
that live in the system

or

According to the **streams** of
information that flow in the system

Raises the linguistic issue of
“delayed evaluation”

Remember Lists as Standard Interfaces

Compute sum of all prime numbers in an interval

```
(define (sum-primes a b)
  (define (iter count accum)
    (cond ((> count b) accum)
          ((prime? count) (iter (+ count 1) (+ count accum)))
          (else (iter (+ count 1) accum))))
  (iter a 0))
```

Standard iterative style
(efficient)

```
(define (sum-primes a b)
  (accumulate +
              0
              (filter prime? (enumerate-interval a b))))
```

Using list operations (elegant but
painfully inefficient)

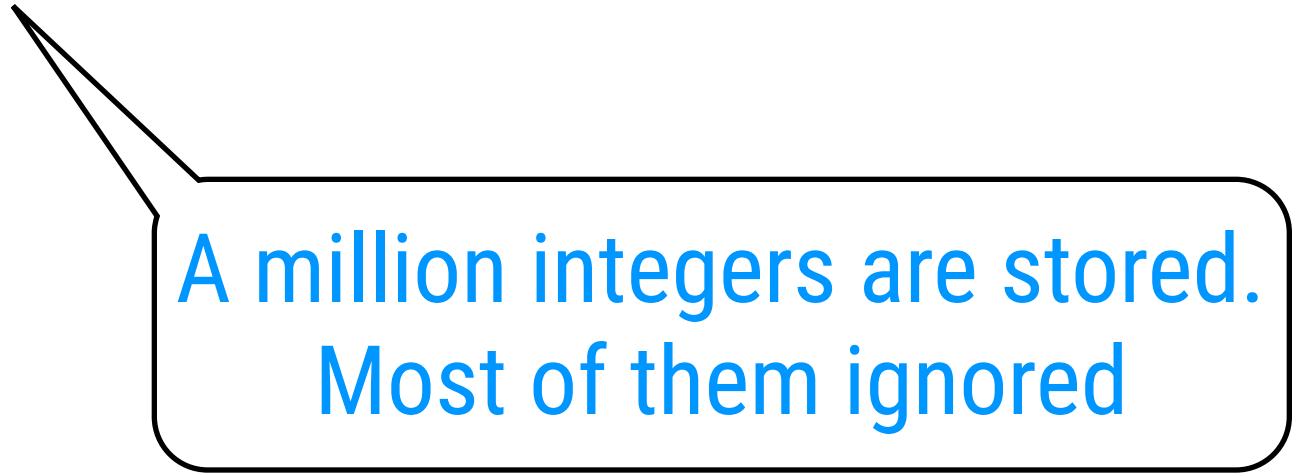
And a second list is created!

All integers are actually stored

Overhead Can Be Outrageous

Find the second prime in the interval [10.000, 1.000.000]

```
(car (cdr (filter prime?  
          (enumerate-interval 10000 1000000))))
```



A million integers are stored.
Most of them ignored

Streams to the Rescue

Streams are lazy lists

```
(stream-car (cons-stream x y)) = x  
(stream-cdr (cons-stream x y)) = y
```

make and use streams in the
same way as lists (sequences)

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the-empty-stream
stream-null?

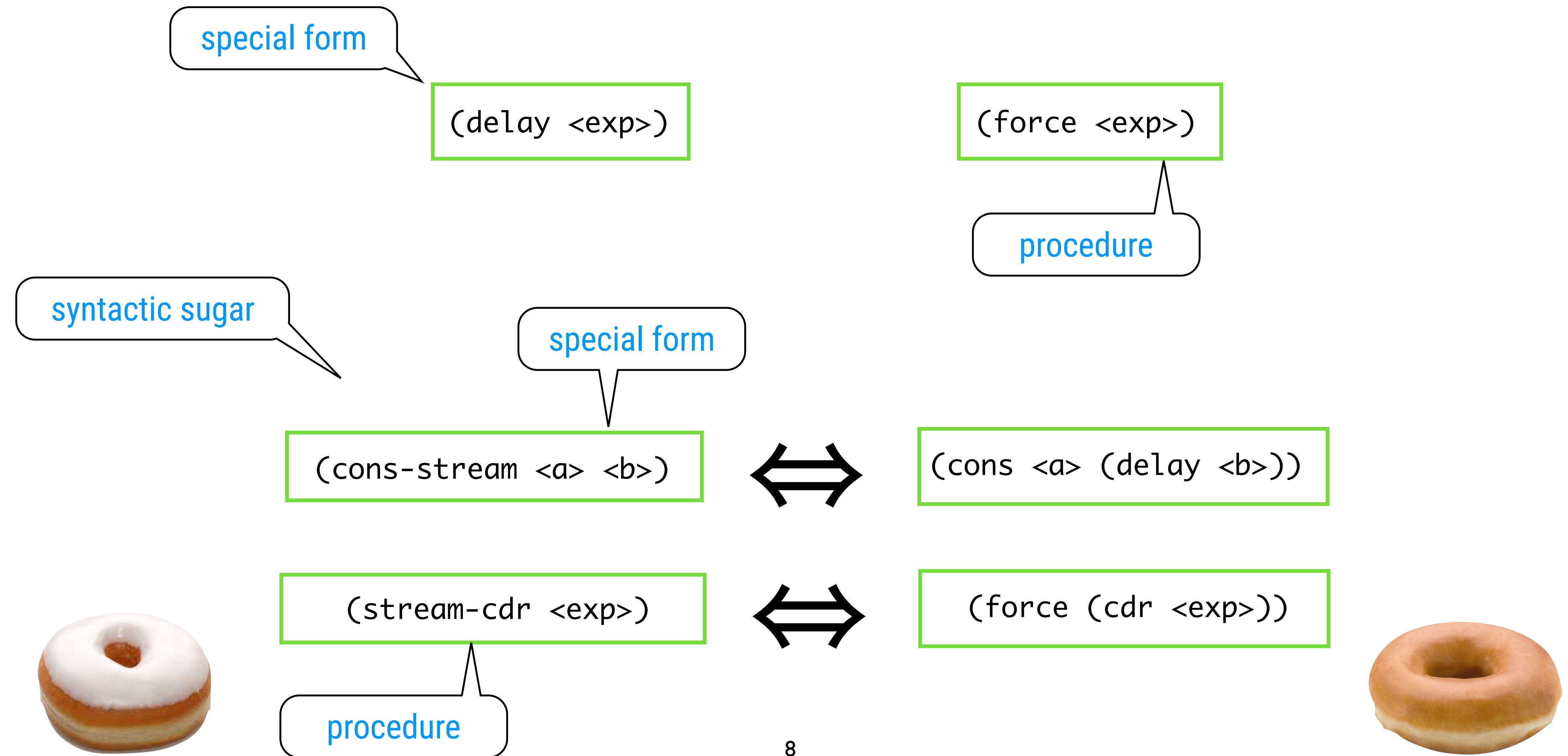
c.f. make-fraction

The difference is the time at which the elements are evaluated. With ordinary **lists**, both the **car** and the **cdr** are evaluated **at construction time**. With streams, the **cdr** is evaluated **at selection time**.

Very Similar to Lists

```
(define (stream-ref s n)
  (if (= n 0)
      (stream-car s)
      (stream-ref (stream-cdr s) (- n 1))))  
  
(define (stream-map proc s)
  (if (stream-null? s)
      the-empty-stream
      (cons-stream (proc (stream-car s))
                   (stream-map proc (stream-cdr s)))))  
  
(define (stream-filter pred stream)
  (cond ((stream-null? stream) the-empty-stream)
        ((pred (stream-car stream))
         (cons-stream (stream-car stream)
                     (stream-filter pred
                                   (stream-cdr stream))))
        (else (stream-filter pred (stream-cdr stream)))))
```

Delayed Objects in Scheme



Back to the Example

Find the second prime in the interval [10.000, 1.000.000]

```
(define (stream-enumerate-interval low high)
  (if (> low high)
      the-empty-stream
      (cons-stream
        low
        (stream-enumerate-interval (+ low 1) high))))
```

only when needed

```
(stream-car
  (stream-cdr
    (stream-filter prime?
      (stream-enumerate-interval 10000 1000000))))
```

"original expression"

```
(stream-enumerate-interval 10000 1000000)
    ==> (cons 10000
              (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10001 1000000)))

(stream-filter prime?
               (prime? 10000) => #f
               (cons 10000
                     (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10001 1000000)) ) )

(stream-filter prime?
               (prime? 10001) => #f
               (cons 10001
                     (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10002 1000000)) ) )

...
(stream-filter prime?
               (prime? 10007) => #t
               (cons 10007
                     (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10008 1000000)) ) )
```

```
(stream-filter prime?          (prime? 10007) => #t
(cons 10007
      (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10008 1000000)))) )
```

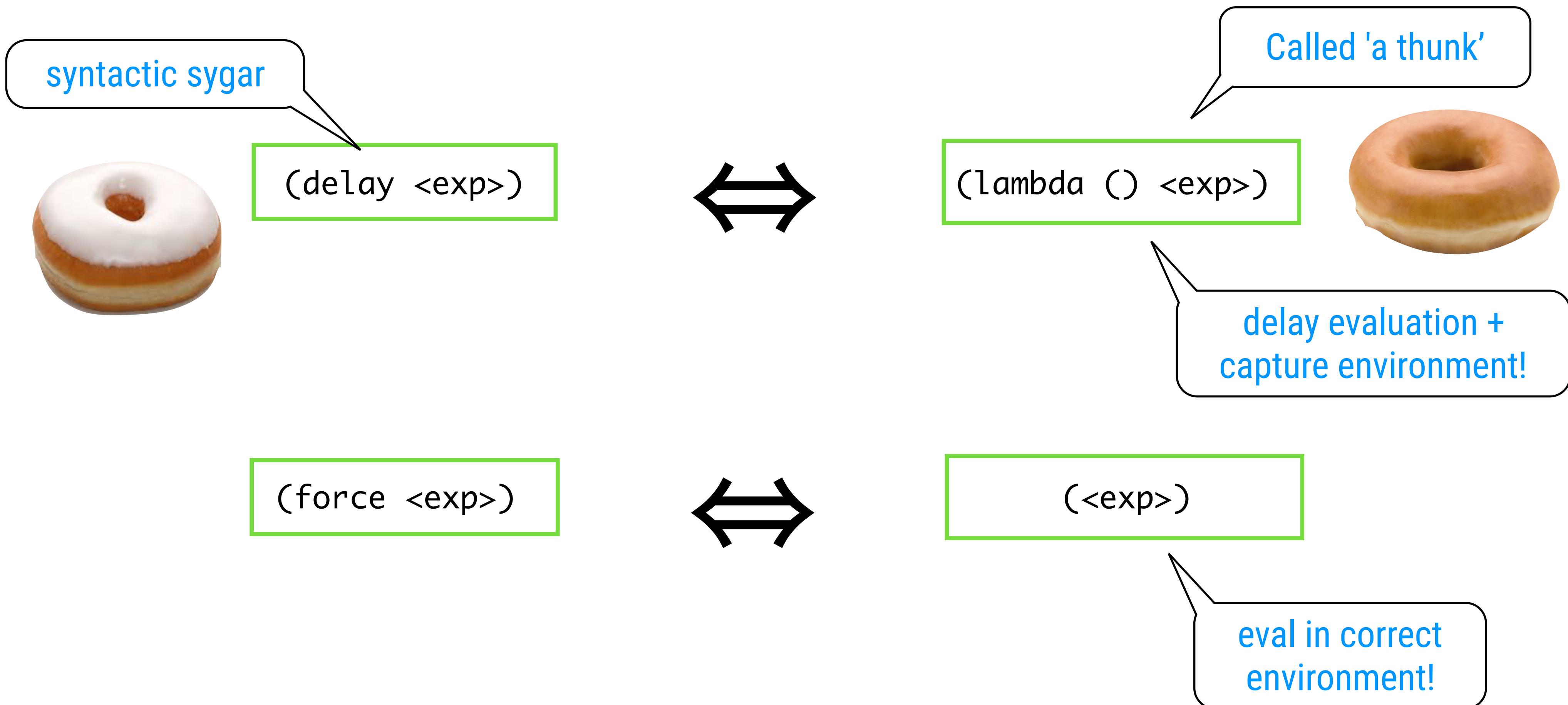
⇒ (cons 10007
 (delay
 (stream-filter
 prime?
 (cons 10008
 (delay
 (stream-enumerate-interval 10009
 1000000)))))))

```
(stream-cdr (cons 10007
                  (delay  
                      (stream-filter  
                          prime?  
                          (cons 10008  
                                (delay  
                                    (stream-enumerate-interval 10009  
                                      1000000)))))))
```

from the original expression

```
(stream-filter prime?          (prime? 10009) => #t
              (cons 10009
                    (delay (stream-enumerate-interval 10010 1000000)))) )  
  
=> (cons 10009
            (delay
              (stream-filter
                prime?
                (cons 10010
                      (delay
                        (stream-enumerate-interval 10011
                          1000000)))))))  
  
(stream-car (cons 10009
                  (delay
                    (stream-filter
                      prime?
                      (cons 10010
                            (delay
                              (stream-enumerate-interval 10011
                                1000000))))))) )  
  
=> 10009
```

Implementing Delay&Force



Infinite Streams

```
(define (integers-starting-from n)
  (cons-stream n (integers-starting-from (+ n 1))))  
  
(define integers (integers-starting-from 1))  
  
(define (divisible? x y) (= (remainder x y) 0))  
  
(define no-sevens
  (stream-filter (lambda (x) (not (divisible? x 7)))
    integers))  
  
(define (fibgen a b)
  (cons-stream a (fibgen b (+ a b))))  
  
(define fibs (fibgen 0 1))
```

Example: The Sieve of Eratosthenes

```
(define (sieve stream)
  (cons-stream
    (stream-car stream)
    (sieve (stream-filter
              (lambda (x)
                (not (divisible? x (stream-car stream)))))
              (stream-cdr stream)))))

(define primes (sieve (integers-starting-from 2)))
```

Defining Streams Implicitly

without a "generating" procedure

```
(define ones (cons-stream 1 ones))
```

```
(define (add-streams s1 s2)
  (stream-map + s1 s2))
```

```
(define integers (cons-stream 1 (add-streams ones integers)))
```

```
(define (stream-map proc . argstreams)
  (if (stream-null? (car argstreams))
      the-empty-stream
      (cons-stream
        (apply proc (map stream-car argstreams))
        (apply stream-map
          (cons proc (map stream-cdr argstreams))))))
```

```
(define fibs
  (cons-stream 0
    (cons-stream 1
      (add-streams (stream-cdr fibs)
        fibs))))
```

generalized
stream-map

Formulating Iterations as Stream Processes

```
(define (sqrt-improve guess x)
  (average guess (/ x guess)))
```

represent state as a “timeless” stream of values
rather than as a set of variables to be updated

```
(define (sqrt-stream x)
  (define guesses
    (cons-stream 1.0
      (stream-map (lambda (guess)
                    (sqrt-improve guess x))
                  guesses))))
```

guesses)



Newton's method revisited

```
> (display-stream (sqrt-stream 2))
1.
1.5
1.4166666666666665
1.4142156862745097
1.4142135623746899
...
```

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