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**Lecture Notes, September 24 – Aggregate Data**

## Common Patterns – List Procedures

### Common Pattern #1: cdr'ing down a list

Recursive plan for `list-ref`:

```
; list-ref: List, Int → T
(define (list-ref lst n)
  (if (= n 0)
      (car lst)
      (list-ref (cdr lst) (- n 1))))
```

### Common Pattern #2: cons'ing up a list

```
(define (copy lst)
  (if (null? lst)
      nil ; base case
      (cons (car lst) ; recursion
            (copy (cdr lst)))))
```

Recursive plan for `append`:

```
(define (append list1 list2)
  (cond ((null? list1) list2) ; base case
        (else
         (cons (car list1) ; recursion
               (append (cdr list1) list2)))))
```

**Common Pattern #3: transforming a list**

```
(define (map proc lst)
  (if (null? lst)
      nil
      (cons (proc (car lst))
            (map proc (cdr lst)))))
```

square-em using map:

**Common Pattern #4: filtering**

```
(define (filter pred lst)
  (cond ((null? lst) nil)
        ((pred (car lst))
         (cons (car lst)
               (filter pred (cdr lst))))
        (else (filter pred (cdr lst)))))
```

**Common Pattern #5: enumeration**

```
(define (integers-between low high)
  (if (> low high)
      nil
      (cons low (integers-between (+ low 1) high))))
```

**Common Pattern #6: accumulation**

```
(define (accumulate op init lst)
  (if (null? lst)
      init
      (op (car lst)
          (accumulate op init (cdr lst)))))
```

Write length as an accumulation:



**Trees and Conventional Interfaces**

*; Compute the sum of the squares of the odd leaves in a tree.*

```
(define (sum-odd-squares tree)
  (cond ((null? tree) 0)
        ((atom? tree)
         (if (odd? tree) (square tree) 0))
        (else (+ (sum-odd-squares (car tree))
                  (sum-odd-squares (cdr tree))))))
```

*; Construct a list of all the even Fibonacci numbers  $Fib(k)$  where  $k \leq n$*

```
(define (even-fibs n)
  (define (next k)
    (if (< k n)
        nil
        (let ((f (fib k)))
          (if (even? f)
              (cons f (next (+ k 1)))
              (next (+ k 1))))))
  (next 0))
```

**Using Conventional Interfaces:**

```
(define (sum-odd-squares tree)
  (accumulate +
              0
              (map square
                  (filter odd?
                          (enumerate-tree tree)))))
```

```
(define (even-fibs n)
  (accumulate cons
              nil
              (filter even?
                      (map fib
                          (integers-between 0 n)))))
```

Draw using signal flow and conventional interfaces:

