

CS 3520/6520  
Programming Languages

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# Course Details

<http://www.eng.utah.edu/~cs3520/>

## Lectures are Online

After today, all slide presentations are online

- Watch the videos before class
- Class is for more examples and homework solutions
  - a.k.a. “recitation”
  - guideline: no new material introduced in class

# Programming Language Concepts

This course teaches concepts in two ways:

By implementing **interpreters**

- new concept  $\Rightarrow$  new interpreter

By using **Plait**, a variant of **Racket**

- we don't assume that you already know Plait or Racket

# Interpreters

An **interpreter** takes a program and produces a result

- DrRacket
- x86 processor
- desktop calculator
- **bash**
- Algebra student

A **compiler** takes a program and produces another program

In the terminology of programming languages, someone who translates Chinese to English is a *compiler*, not an *interpreter*.

## Racket and Plait

**Lisp** ➔ **Scheme** ➔ **Racket**

**Racket** is

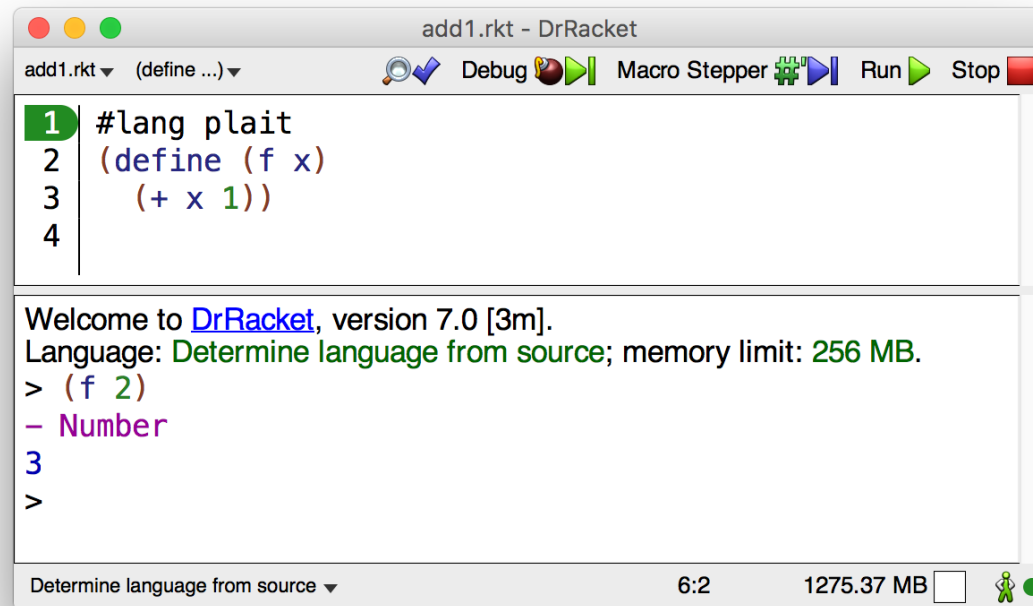
- a programming language
- a family of programming languages
- a language for creating programming languages

... including **Plait**

**Racket** ➔ **Plait** ← **ML**

PLAI = *Programming Languages: Application and Interpretation*, a textbook

# DrRacket



The screenshot shows the DrRacket IDE window titled "add1.rkt - DrRacket". The window has a menu bar with "add1.rkt" and "(define ...)" and a toolbar with icons for "Debug", "Macro Stepper", "Run", and "Stop". The main editor area contains the following Racket code:

```
1 #lang plait
2 (define (f x)
3   (+ x 1))
4
```

Below the editor, the output area displays the following text:

```
Welcome to DrRacket, version 7.0 [3m].
Language: Determine language from source; memory limit: 256 MB.
> (f 2)
- Number
3
>
```

At the bottom of the window, the status bar shows "Determine language from source", the time "6:2", and the memory usage "1275.37 MB".

# Plait Tutorial

<http://docs.racket-lang.org/plait/index.html>

v.7.0



## Plait Language

```
#lang plait
```

```
package: plait
```

The Plait language syntactically resembles the [plai](#) language, which is based on [racket](#), but the type system is close to that of [ML](#).

### 1 Tutorial



## Plait's Parenthesized Prefix Notation

<code>f(x)</code>	<code>(f x)</code>
<code>1+2</code>	<code>(+ 1 2)</code>
<code>1+2*3</code>	<code>(+ 1 (* 2 3))</code>
<code>s=6</code>	<code>(define s 6)</code>
<code>f(x)=x+1</code>	<code>(define (f x)   (+ x 1))</code>
$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} x < 0 & -1 \\ x = 0 & 0 \\ x > 0 & 1 \end{array} \right.$	<code>(cond   [(&lt; x 0) -1]   [(= x 0) 0]   [(&gt; x 0) 1])</code>

## Plait Data

- Numbers and strings

obvious

```
1 3.4 "Hello, World!"
```

- Booleans

straightforward

```
#t #f
```

- Symbols and quoted lists

unusual

```
'apple 'define '+
```

```
'(1 2 3) '(f x)
```

## Plait S-Expressions

- Backquote ` instead of regular quote '

convenient

```
`x
```

```
`{+ x 1}
```

```
`{define {f x}  
  {+ x 1}}
```

## Plait Datatypes

```
(define-type Shape
  (circle [radius : Number])
  (rectangle [width : Number]
             [height : Number]))

(define (area s)
  (type-case Shape s
    [(circle r) (* 3.14 (* r r))]
    [(rectangle w h) (* w h)]))

(test (area (circle 2))
      12.56)

(test (area (rectangle 3 4))
      12)
```

# Interpreters

See `lambda.rkt`

Example Plait program:

```
(define-type Value
  (numV [n : Number])
  (closV [arg : Symbol]
         [body : Exp]
         [env : Env]))
```

Example **Curly** program:

```
{+ {* 3 4} 8}
```

Example Curly program as a Plait value:

```
`{+ {* 3 4} 8}
```

## Datatype and Function Shapes Match

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  (adjacent [left : Shape]
            [right : Shape]))

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      24.56)
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## Homework 0

- Create handin account
- Plait warm-up exercises

Due Friday, August 24