Interpretação e Compilação de Linguagens (de Programação)

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Naming

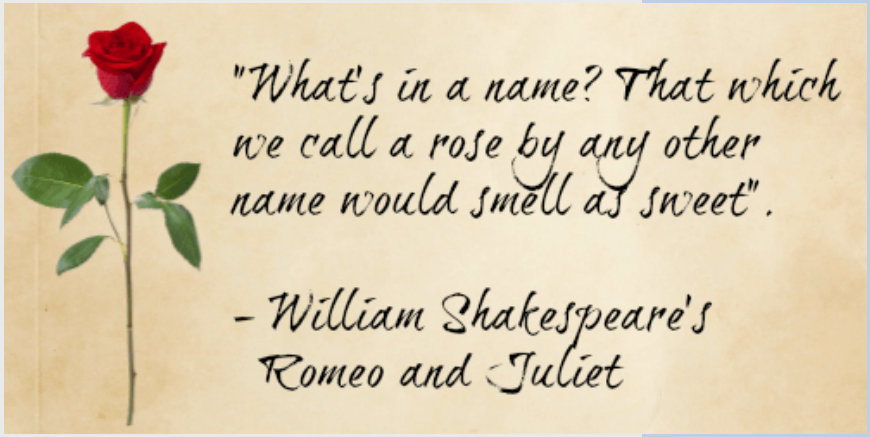
Names are the first tool one uses to introduce abstraction in a programming language (and any language in fact!).

Names allows us to refer to complex things in a concise way!

A name / identifier used in some expression or program always denotes a value previously defined.

Fundamentally, the meaning of a program fragment with names is obtained by replacing each name with the value assigned to it in its definition.

- Literals versus names
- Binding (declaration) of names
- Scope of a definition
- Occurrences of names (free, bound, binding)
- Open and closed code fragments
- Fundamental construct **def** id=E **in** E **end**.
- Language with definitions: CALCI.
- Interpreter using substitution
- Interpreter using environments



Naming Syntax

- Literals
  - Denote fixed values in every context of occurrence
  - Java: `true, false, "foo", float`
  - OCAML: `true, false, []`
  - C: `1, 1.0, 0xFF, "hello", int`
- Identifiers
  - Denote values that depend of the context of occurrence
  - In programming languages, identifiers are names for defined constants, variables, functions, methods, classes, modules, types, etc…
  - Java: `x2, y, Count, System.out`
  - C: `printf`

Binding and Scope

- The association between an identifier and the value it denotes is called a *binding*.
- A *binding* between an identifier to the value associated is always established in a well-defined syntactical context (some zone of the program text) and is created by a program construct called a declaration
- The syntactical context (zone of the program text) in which the binding is established is called the *scope* of the binding / declaration.

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Parts of a Scope

- The binding of an identifier X to its denotation (value, memory address, etc) always involve the following ingredients:
  - A (single!) binding occurrence of the identifier X
    in general, it corresponds to the part of the program text that initialises the binding, where the binding becomes active
  - The scope of the binding
    This is the part (zone of the program text) in which the binding introduced by the binding occurrence is active
  - Several bound occurrences
    All occurrences of X, distinct from the binding occurrence, that lie inside the scope

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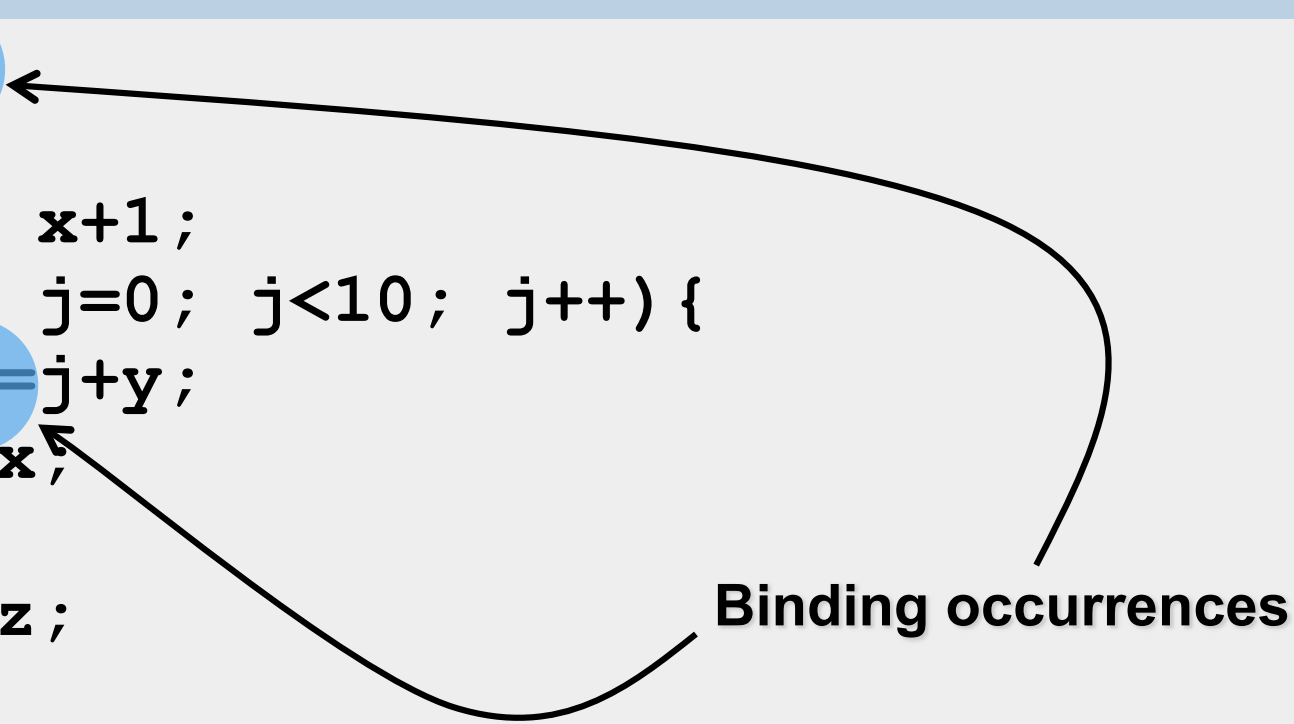

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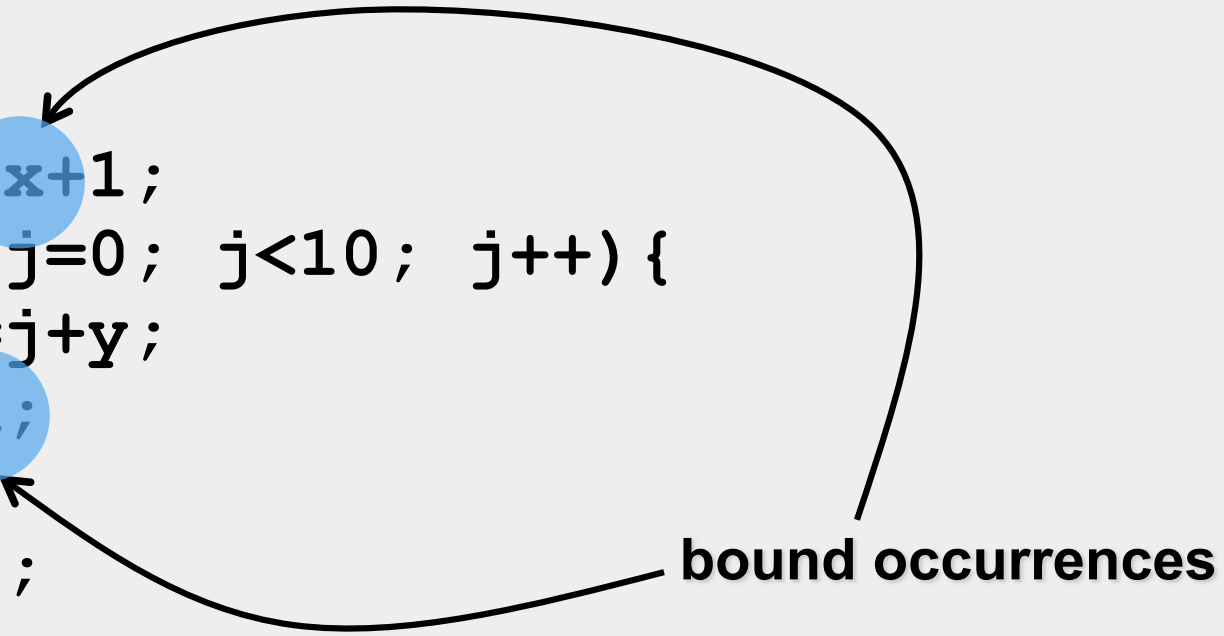

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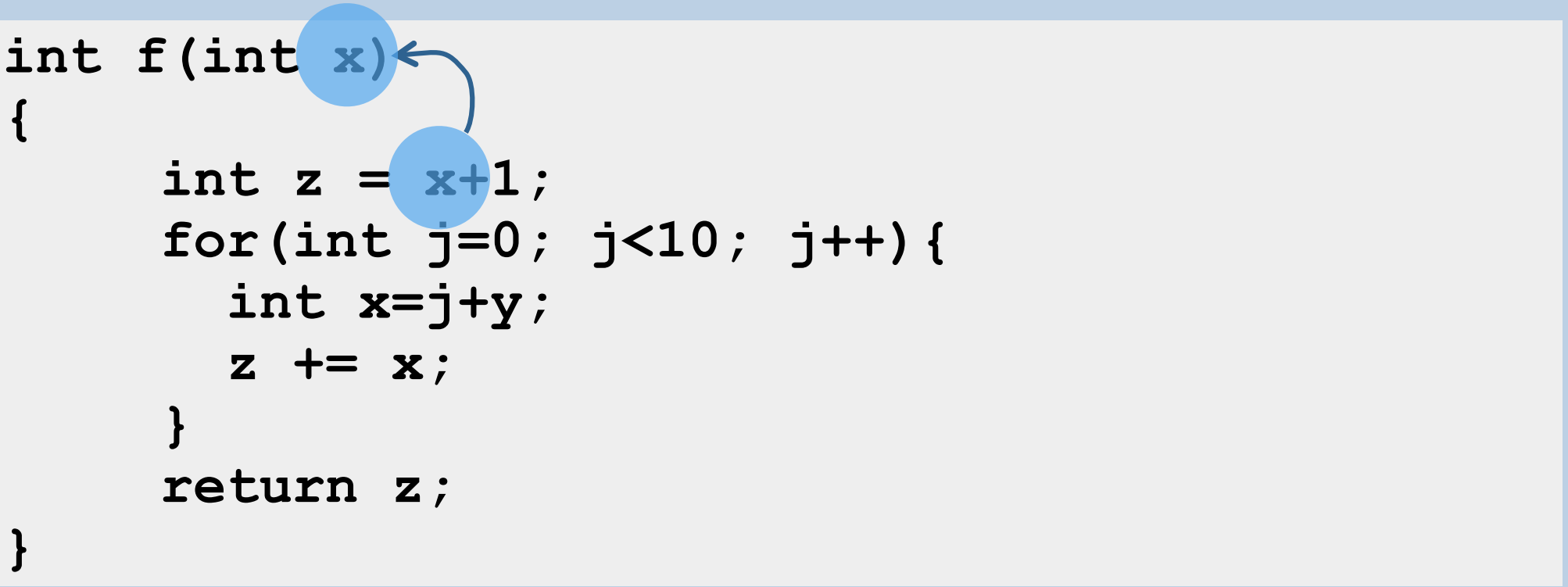

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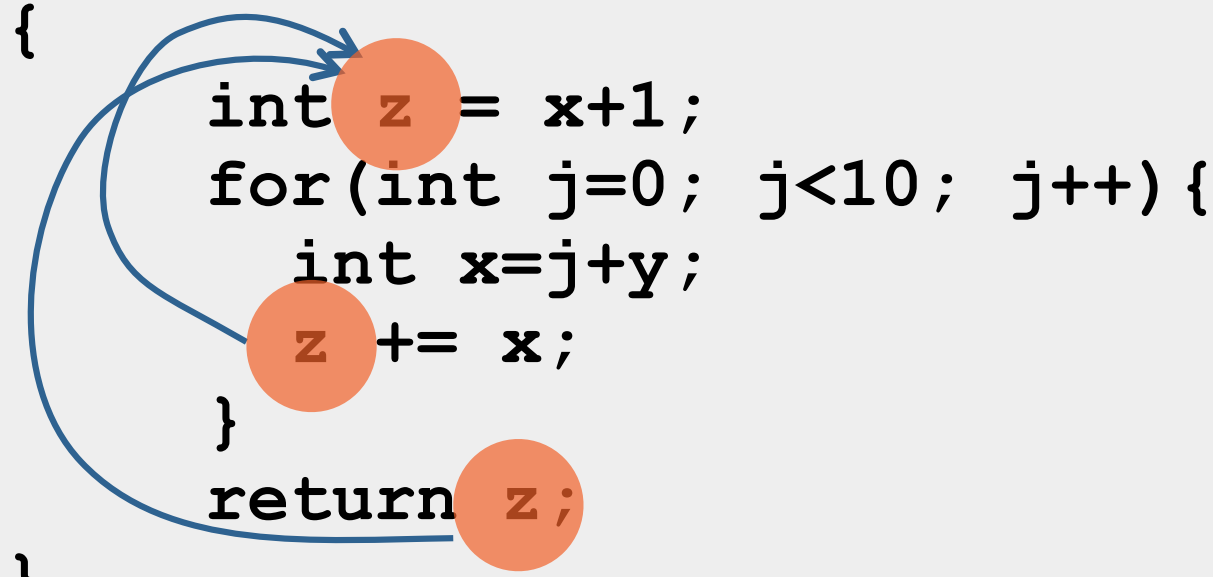

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Free occurrences

- Any occurrence of an identifier that is not binding nor bound is said free

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{     int i;
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Semantics of open fragments

- The meaning of a program fragment can only be computed if the value of evert free identifier is known.
- The definition of a compositional semantics for languages with declared identifiers has to consider open fragments.
  For instance, the C block

```
{ int x = 2 ; x = x+2 }
```

  is closed but contains open fragments (e.g., x+2).

- In general a complete program (closed fragment) contains open fragments (inside declarations).

Environment

- A closed program necessarily provides bindings all free ocorrentes that inside it, (they must appear in the scope of declarations!).

Given any fragment $\mathcal{E}$ inside a program $\mathcal{P}$, we call **environment of $\mathcal{E}$ in $\mathcal{P}$** to the set of all bindings in which scope $\mathcal{E}$ occurs.

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The language CALCI

- CALCI extends our basic expression language CALC with general declarations **def**:

```
def Id = Exp1 in Exp2 end
```

In a **def** expression the first occurrence of *Id* **is** binding, with scope *Exp2*

- A CALCI program is a closed expression of CALCI.

Example:

```
def x=2 in def y=x+2 in (x+y) end end
```

The language CALCI (abstract syntax)

- CALCI AST constructors: num, add, mul, div, sub, id, def

num:	Integer → CALCI
id:	String → CALCI
add:	CALCI × CALCI → CALCI
mul:	CALCI × CALCI → CALCI
div:	CALCI × CALCI → CALCI
sub:	CALCI × CALCI → CALCI
def:	String × CALCI × CALCI → CALCI

The language CALCI (concrete syntax)

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```
def x = 2 in
  (def x = x+2
     in
       x + x
   end) + x
end
```

The language CALCI (concrete syntax)

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def x = 2 in
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  in
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 end
end
```

Semantics of CALCI (first definition)

The semantics of CALCI may be defined by giving a computable function I which assigns a definite meaning to each program (fragment)

$$I : CALC \rightarrow Integer$$

CALC = set of all programs (closed)

DENOT = set of all meanings (denotations)

CALC Interpreter (evaluation map)

- Algorithm eval(E) that computes the denotation (integer value) of any CALCI expression:

$$\text{eval} : \text{CALC} \rightarrow \text{Integer}$$

eval(**num**(*n*)) ≜ *n*

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The substitution function

substv(s, E, V)

Computes the expression (AST) that results from replacing in program (AST) E all free occurrences of identifier s by value V.

Examples (what does substv do?)

subst(s, s+s+2, 4) = 4+4+2

subst(y, def x=y in def y=2 in x+y, 2) =

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Definition of Substv function (on ASTs)

substv(s, **num**(*n*), V) ≜ num(*n*);

substv(s, **id**(*s*), V) ≜ V;

substv(s, **add**(E1, E2),F) ≜ add(**substv**(s, E1, V), **substv**(s, E2 , V));

…

substv(s, **def**(s', E1, E2), V) ≜ **if** s = s'
{ G = **substv**(s, E1, V);
def(s, G, E2); }
else
{ G = **substv**(s, E1, V);
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- Note: we don't need to define the case **eval**(**id**(*s*)). Why ?

Semantics of CALCI (better definition)

- The substitution-based semantics of CALCI is very simple and intuitive from the perspective of specification because it is very simple, and conforms to the essential meaning of names.

$$\text{eval} : \text{CALCI} \rightarrow \text{Integer}$$

- However, it is not efficient, requires runtime manipulation of ASTs and does not scale well for compilation.
- Using a notion of runtime environment (or spaggetti stack) the effect of explicit syntactical substitution can be performed in a lazy way.

Semantics of CALCI (better definition)

- Algorithm eval( ) that computes the denotation (integer value) of any **open** CALCI expression:

$$\text{eval} : \text{CALCI} \times \text{ENV} \rightarrow \text{Integer}$$

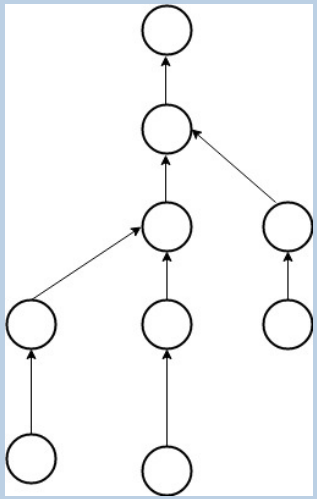
CALCI = open programs

ENV = environments

Integer = meanings (denotations)

The Environment as an ADT

- In practice, it is convenient to implement environments using a mutable stack-like data structure called a "**spaghetti stack**".
- **NOTE**: In block structures languages (eg., in all "decent" modern languages) the addition and remotion of biddings between identifiers and values follows a strict stack LIFO discipline.
- An environment stores all bindings relative to the current scope and all involving scopes in **frames**.
- From any environment state one may create a new "child" frame, corresponding to a new nested scope.
- Each frame links to the ancestor frame using a reference.



The Environment as an ADT

- Environment operations:

```
Environ BeginScope()
```

  - Pushes into the environment a new frame, where new bindings will be stored.
  - A given identifier can only be bound once in a given frame, but may be bound in different frames (to possibly different values).

```
Environ EndScope()
```

  - returns the father environment (pops off top frame).

```
void assoc(String id, Value val)
```

  - Adds a new binding for identifier id to the value val in the top frame of the environment (if id is not bound there yet).

```
Value Find(String id)
```

  - Returns the value associated to id in the environment, as defined by the innermost binding (the binding in the topmost frame that binds id).
  - In practice, **Find** searches for id from top to bottom following the stack frame chain, from "most recent" up, so that the appropriate scoping is respected.

Environment in action

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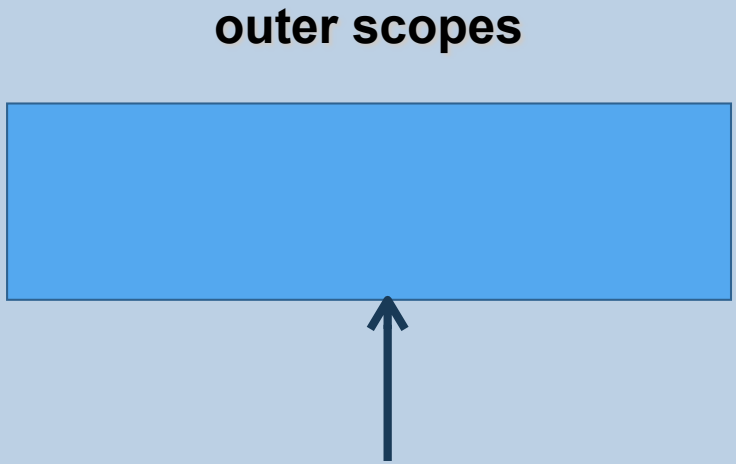

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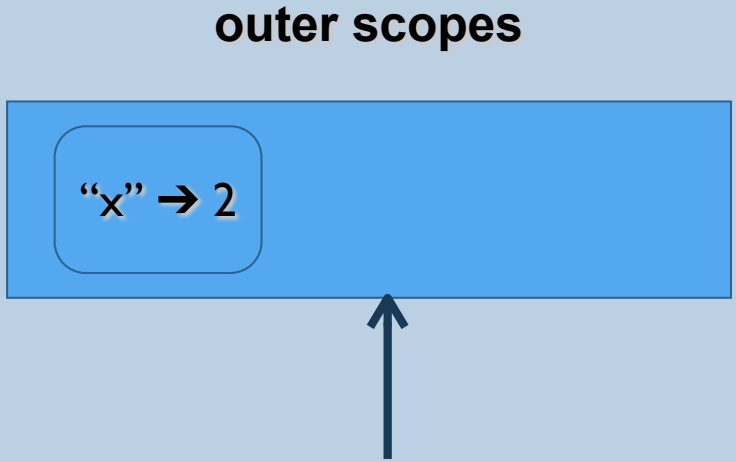

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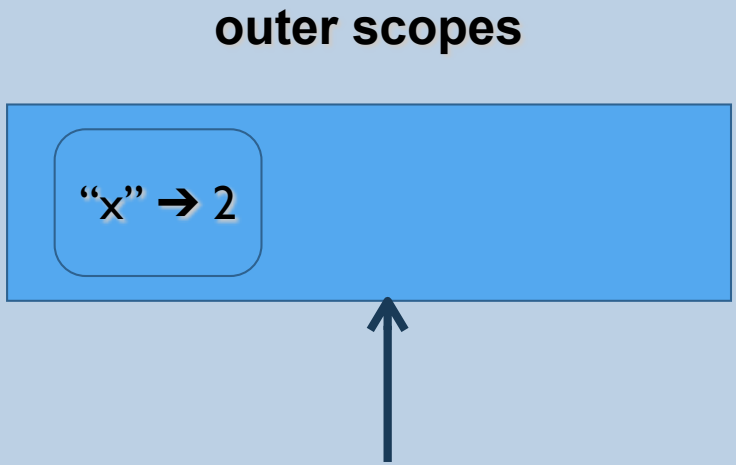

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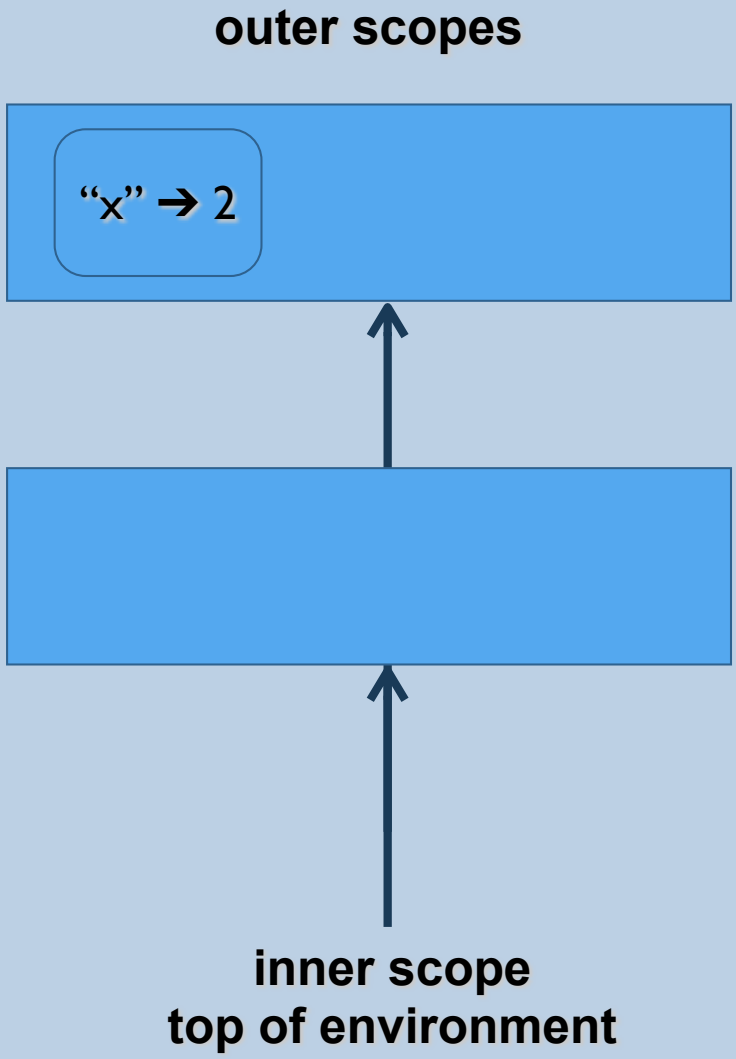

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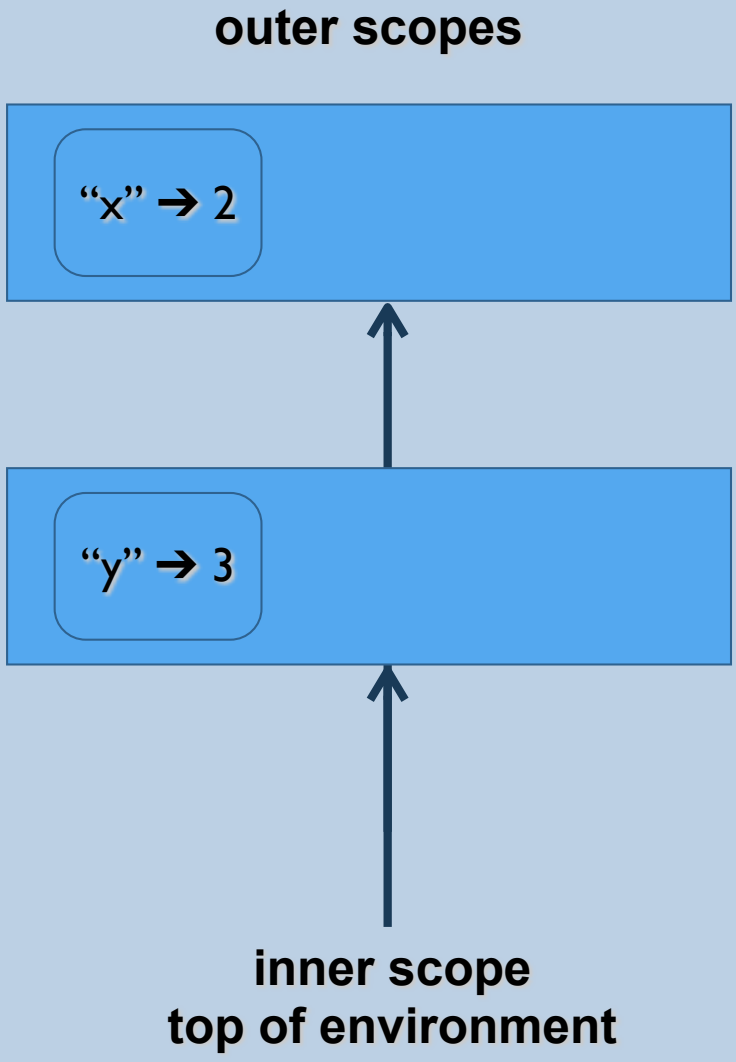

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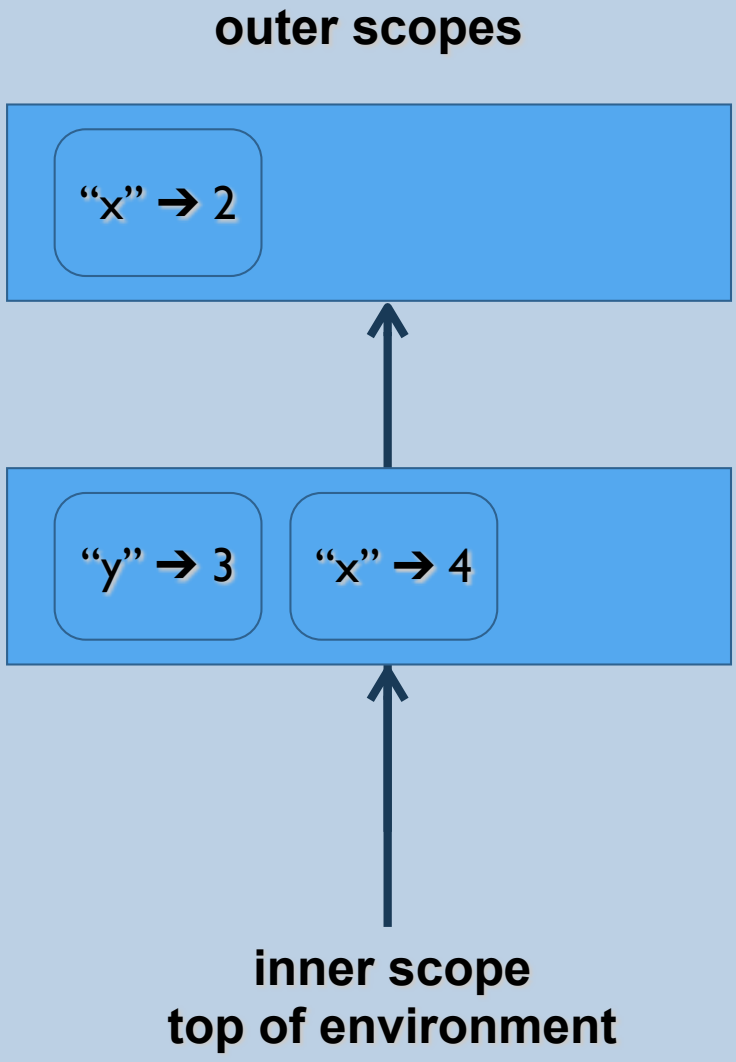

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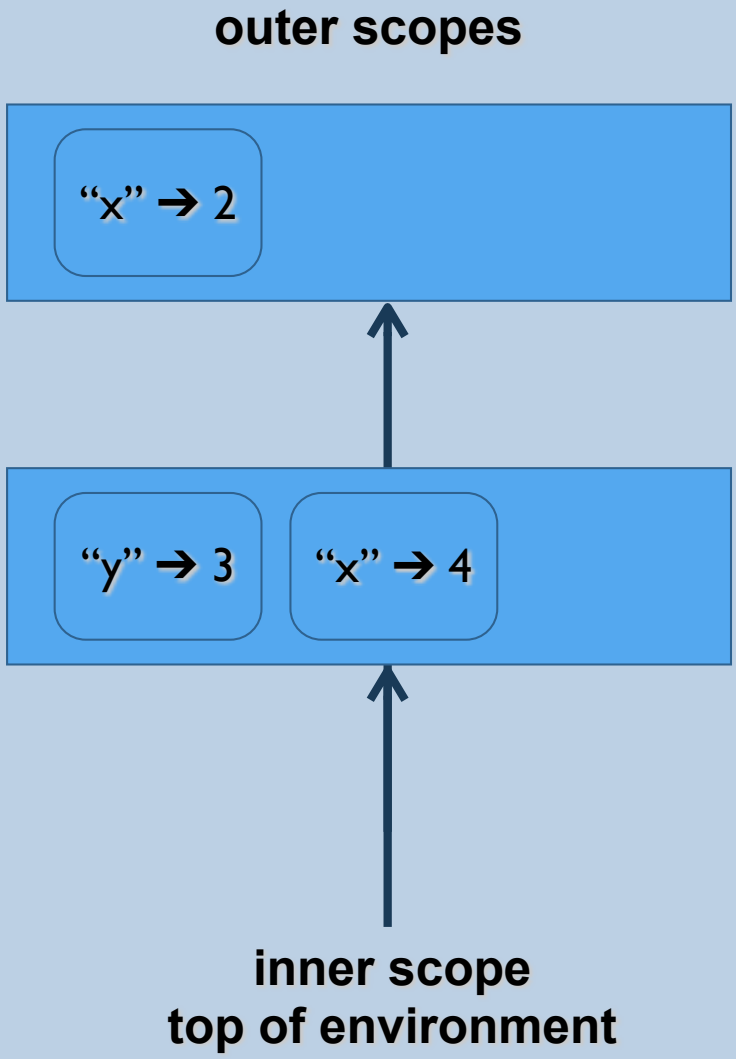

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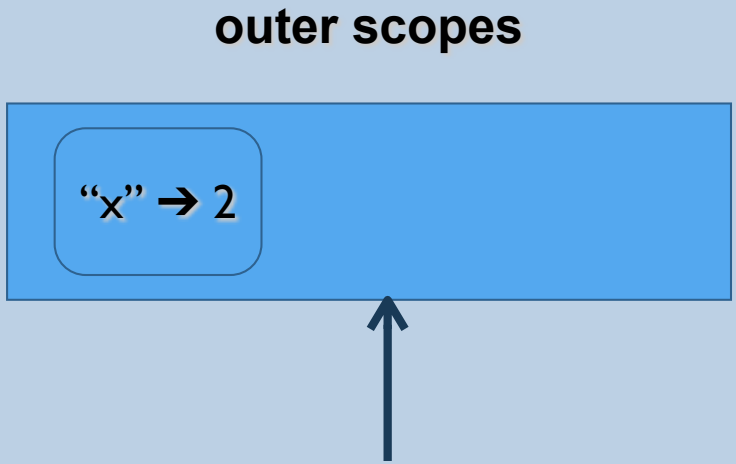

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eval( def(s, E1, E2), env) ≜ [ v1 = eval(E1, env);
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                               env =  env.Assoc(s, v1);
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                               return val ]
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- Note: Case of id(s) implemented by lookup of the value of s in the current environment

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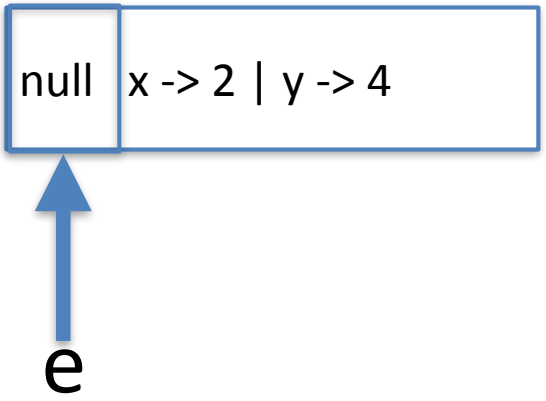

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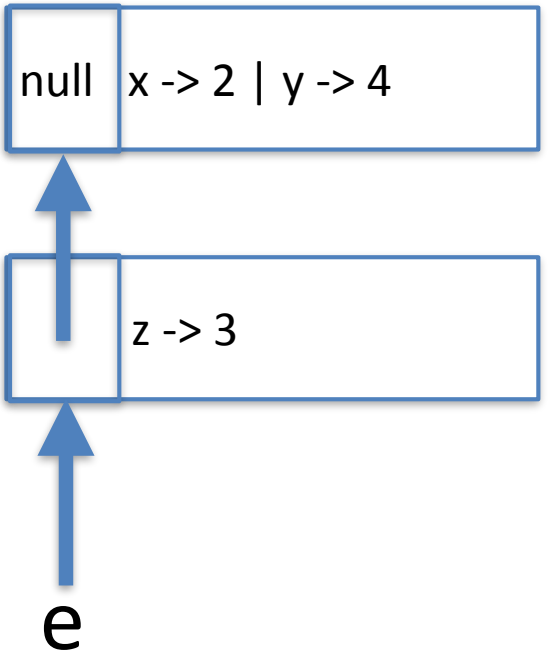

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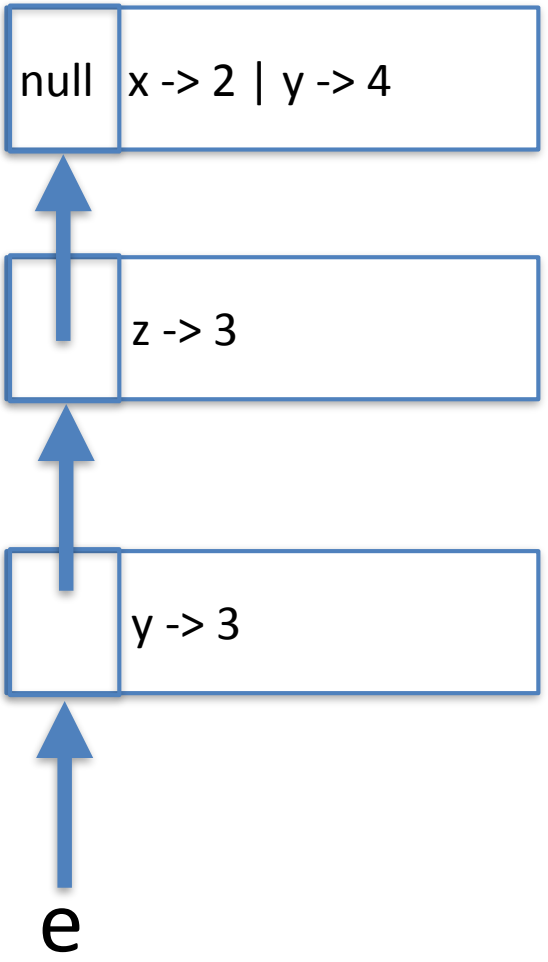

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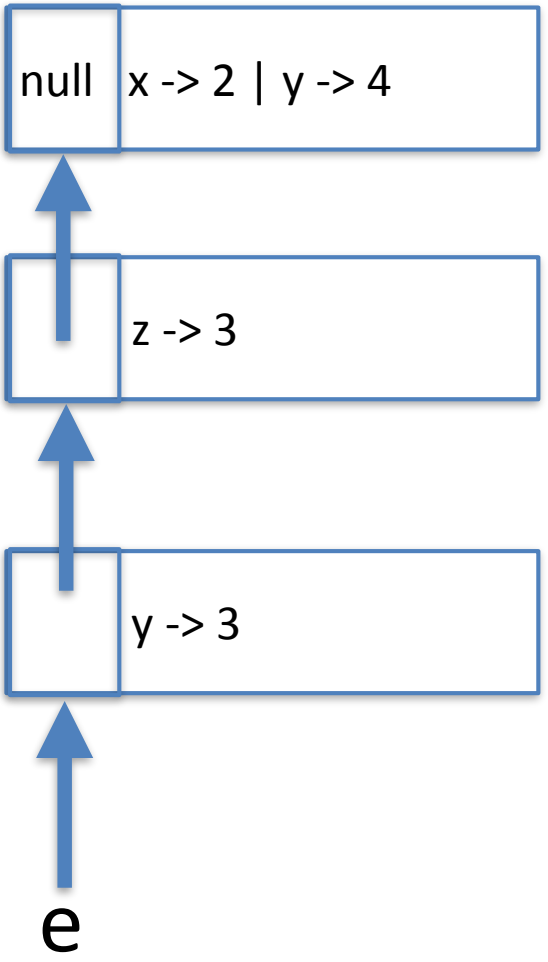

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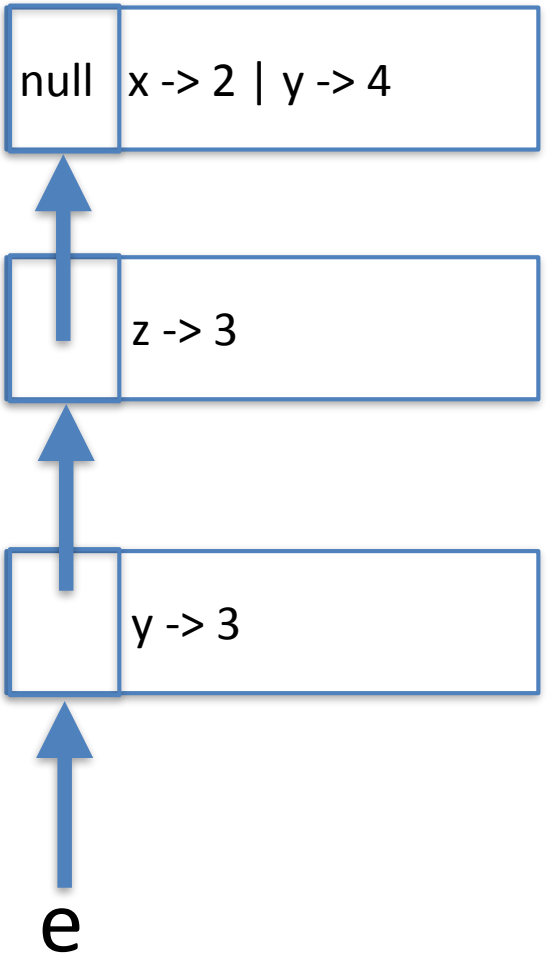

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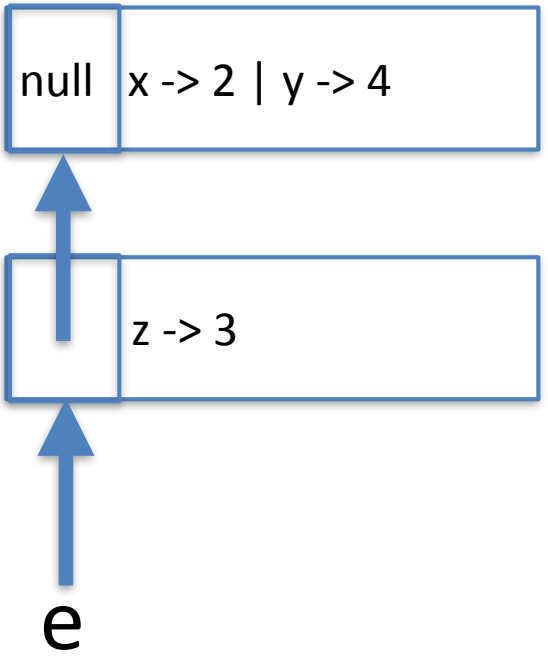

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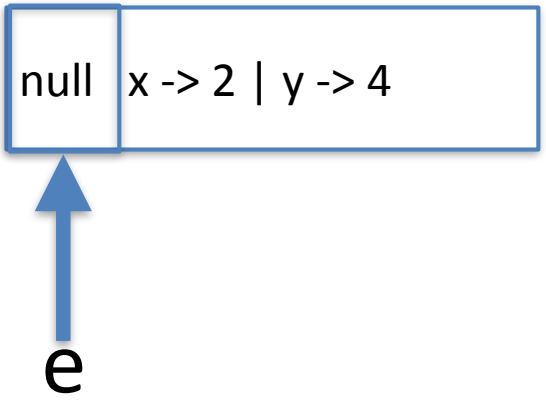

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