

1 First-Class Functions in Depth

1. Introduction: a discussion of what you can and cannot do with first-class functions. Sometimes, *not* being able to do something is a feature.
2. Recap some higher-order functions (writing their types:

- (a) `app` (consumes a function),
- (b) A function that returns another function:

```
function double(x) { return x; }  
function produceDouble(x) { return double; }
```

- (c) You can nest functions within each other (put `double` inside `produceDouble`)
- (d) Useful combination of nesting and returning functions (`makeAdder`). Show that each call does not “overwrite the outer value”.
- (e) You don’t have to name functions (refactor `makeAdder`). Go over using lambdas with `map` and `filter`.
- (f) Explain closures and go over their notation using the `add` function in `makeAdder`. I want to write

```
makeAdder(10) === add [ x -> 10 ]
```

- (g) Predict the output of the `crazy` function below:

```
function crazy(x) {  
  function add(y) {  
    let tmp = x + 1;  
    x = x + 1;  
    return tmp + y;  
  }  
  return add;  
}  
  
let f = crazy(100);  
let g = crazy(100);  
console.log(f(100));  
console.log(f(100));  
console.log(g(100));
```

3. What do functions actually do? Why do we write functions?

- (a) They let you parameterize a block of code. (Consider writing several `add` functions.)
- (b) They *delay evaluation*. Code inside a function does not execute until it is applied.

```
function F(f) {  
  return 10;  
}  
  
F(function() {  
  console.log("hi");  
});
```

4. Closures can be used to hide information:

```
// guessingGame(secret: number) => (guess: number) => undefined
function guessingGame(secret) {
  function game(guess) {
    if (guess === secret) {
      console.log("WINNER");
    }
    else if (guess < secret) {
      console.log("Guess higher");
      return game;
    }
    else {
      console.log("Guess lower");
      return game;
    }
  }
  return game;
}

let guesser = guessingGame(4383); // game[ secret -> 4383 ]
guesser(100) // === game[ secret -> 4383 ]
```

Play the guessing game by using $X \% Y$ as the secret.

5. The idea of curried functions: write original map and then write the addTenAll function. Show the curried variant of map and show that addTenAll becomes much easier to write.

```
function map(f) {
  return function(a) {
    let r = [];
    for (let i = 0; i < a.length; ++i) {
      r.push(f(a[i]));
    }
    return r;
  }
}

let addTenAll = map(function(n) { return n + 10; });
```

Functions don't need to take more than one argument.

6. Example problem: given an input that does not use console.log:

```
function foo(f) {
  f(function(x) {
    console.log("a");
  });
}
```