

Falcon

- First-class functions — functions are values
- Partial application — functions can be called with fewer arguments producing a function waiting for more
- Anonymous function — functions don't need names (fun s → s)

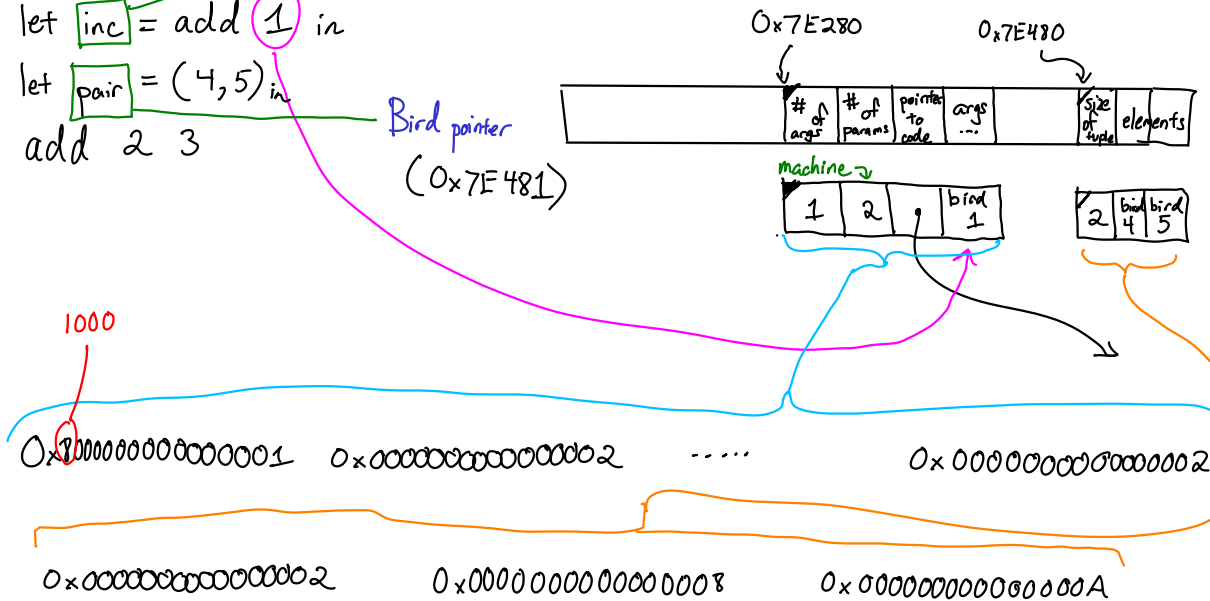
```
let add x y =
  x + y
in
let inc = add 1;
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```
def add x y =
  x + y
end
```

```
let inc = add 1 in
let pair = (4, 5) in
add 2 3
```

Bird pointer (0x7E281)

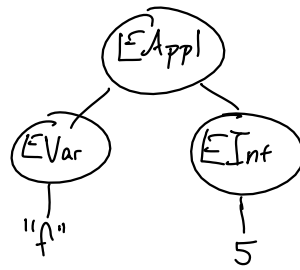
Bird pointer (0x7E481)



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Application

f 5



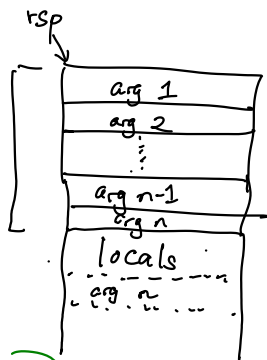
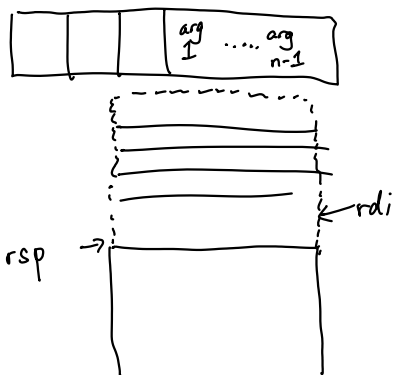
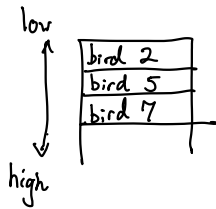
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def foo x y z =
  x + (y * z)
end
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let f = foo 2 in
  ⋮
let g = f 5 in
let g' = f 6 in
  ⋮
let n1 = g 7 in
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Assume f contains a bird ptr
to



g 7 ⇒ 37
Call foo with 2, 5, 7
just like Dave



1. Allocate stack memory
sub rsp, (.....) 8*n
2. Copy all args from closure
rep movsq
3. Copy last arg
mov [rsp+.....],

Algorithm for Application

- Evaluate both e_1 e_2
- Check first expr is a closure
- Is # params of fn > # args in closure + 1? If so
 - Copy closure to a new heap location
 - Increase # args in copy
 - Append new arg to end
 - Produce a pointer to copy
- Otherwise

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Have: pointer to a closure with all but last arg, also have last arg

Want: to call fn w/ all args & give result

Option 1:

push last arg
loop from right to left in closure, pushing each

call
pop args

must be assembly
because we don't know at
compile time how many args there are

Option 2:

rep movsq — copies memory

put into rdi the destination (machine ptr)
put into rsi the source (machine ptr)
put into rcx the # of 8-byte words (machine int)
rep movsq ← modifies all three registers

f 5 7

