Nested Functions Review

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Why is has-discount nested inside filter-by-discount? — Look at code structure

```
fun filter-by-discount(t :: Table, d :: String) -> Table:
  doc: "filter table to rows with given discount"
  fun has-discount (r : Row) - Boolean:
     r["discount"] == d
  end
  filter-by(t, has-discount)
end
                                                                 d is only visible
student-tickets =
                                                              (only gets substituted)
   sum(filter-by-discount(event-data, "student"),
                                                              within the body of its
        "tickcount")
                                                                enclosing function
      filter-by requires a function
                                      has-discount needs to
         that takes a Row and
                                     compare the value in the
          returns a Boolean
                                      discount column to the
      (this is just how Pyret works)
                                     value for d originally given
                                       to filter-by-discount
```

To filter-by-discount, we need to use filter-by

thus, has-discount is nested inside filter-by-discount

How do the pieces tie together? Evaluate this file by hand — what order do steps happen in?

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fun filter-by-discount(t :: Table, d :: String) -> Table:
    doc: "filter table to rows with given discount"
    fun has-discount(r :: Row) -> Boolean:
        r["discount"] == d "student"
    end
    filter-by (), has-discount)
end    event-data

student-tickets =
    sum(filter-by-discount(event-data, "student"),
        "tickcount")
```

- 1. Pyret remembers that you defined a filter-by-discount function, but doesn't look inside the body
- 2. Pyret notices that you want to define student-tickets, but must evaluate the sum(...) expression first
- 3. Pyret calls filter-by-discount. It substitutes event-data for t and "student" for d in the function body
- 4. Pyret remembers that you defined has-discount, but doesn't look inside
- 5. Pyret evalulates the filter-by call.
- 6. Internally, Pyret calls has-discount once on each row.
- 7. Pyret calls sum on the table that resulted from filter-by-discount, then remembers the value of student-tickets