

CSc 372

Comparative Programming Languages

16 : Haskell — Exercises

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List Prefix

- Write a recursive function `begin xs ys` that returns `true` if `xs` is a prefix of `ys`. Both lists are lists of integers. Include the type signature.

```
> begin [] []
```

```
True
```

```
> begin [1] []
```

```
False
```

```
> begin [1,2] [1,2,3,4]
```

```
True
```

```
> begin [1,2] [1,1,2,3,4]
```

```
False
```

```
> begin [1,2,3,4] [1,2]
```

List Containment

- Write a recursive function `subsequence xs ys` that returns `true` if `xs` occurs anywhere within `ys`. Both lists are lists of integers. Include the type signature.
- Hint: reuse `begin` from the previous exercise.

```
> subsequence [] []
```

```
True
```

```
> subsequence [1] []
```

```
False
```

```
> subsequence [1] [0,1,0]
```

```
True
```

```
> subsequence [1,2,3] [0,1,0,1,2,3,5]
```

```
True
```

Mystery

- Consider the following function:

```
mystery :: [a] -> [[a]]  
mystery [] = [[]]  
mystery (x:xs) = sets ++ (map (x:) sets)  
                where sets = mystery xs
```

- What would `mystery [1,2]` return? `mystery [1,2,3]`?
- What does the function compute?

foldr

- Explain what the following expressions involving `foldr` do:
 - ① `foldr (:) [] xs`
 - ② `foldr (:) xs ys`
 - ③ `foldr (\ y ys -> ys ++ [y]) [] xs`

shorter

- Define a function `shorter xs ys` that returns the shorter of two lists.

```
> shorter [1,2] [1]
```

```
[1]
```

```
> shorter [1,2] [1,2,3]
```

```
[1,2]
```

stripEmpty

- Write function `stripEmpty xs` that removes all empty strings from `xs`, a list of strings.

```
> stripEmpty ["", "Hello", "", "", "World!"]
["Hello", "World!"]
> stripEmpty [""]
[]
> stripeEmpty []
[]
```

merge

- Write function `merge xs ys` that takes two ordered lists `xs` and `ys` and returns an ordered list containing the elements from `xs` and `ys`, without duplicates

```
> merge [1,2] [3,4]
[1,2,3,4]
> merge [1,2,3] [3,4]
[1,2,3,4]
> merge [1,2] [1,2,4]
[1,2,4]
```


Function Composition

- Rewrite the expression

`map f (map g xs)`

so that only a single call to `map` is used

Reduce

- Let the Haskell function `reduce` be defined by

```
reduce f [] v = v
```

```
reduce f (x:xs) v = f x (reduce f xs v)
```

- Reconstruct the Haskell functions `length`, `append`, `filter`, and `map` using `reduce`. More precisely, complete the following schemata (in the simplest possible way):

```
mylength xs = reduce ___ xs ___
```

```
myappend xs ys = reduce ___ xs ___
```

```
myfilter p xs = reduce ___ xs ___
```

```
mymap f xs = reduce ___ xs ___
```

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 1

- Write a non-recursive function

```
invert :: [Bool] -> [Bool]
```

that turns all `True` values into `False`, and `False` values into `True`. Example:

```
> invert [True,False]  
[False,True]
```

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 2

- Write a non-recursive function `count p xs` that takes a predicate `p` and a list `xs` of elements (of arbitrary type) as arguments and returns the number of elements in the list that satisfies `p`:

```
> count even [1,2,3,4,5]
2
```

- Ideally, you should define the function using composition of higher-order functions from the standard prelude!

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 3

- Write a non-recursive function `blend xs ys` that takes two lists of elements (of arbitrary type) as argument, and returns a list where the elements have been taken alternately from `xs` and `ys`:

```
> blend [1,2,3] [4,5,6]  
[1,4,2,5,3,6]
```

You can assume that `xs` and `ys` are of the same length.

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 4

- Write a function `adjpairs` that takes a list as argument and returns the list of all pairs of adjacent elements. Examples:

```
> adjpairs []
```

```
[]
```

```
> adjpairs [1]
```

```
[]
```

```
> adjpairs [1,2]
```

```
[(1,2)]
```

```
> adjpairs [1,2,3]
```

```
[(1,2), (2,3)]
```

```
> adjpairs [1,2,3,4,5,6]
```

```
[(1,2), (2,3), (3,4), (4,5), (5,6)]
```

- Give both a recursive and a non-recursive solution!

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 5

- Write a non-recursive function `section f c xs` that extracts a sublist of the list `xs` starting at position `f` and which is `c` elements long. Use 0-based indexing. Assume that `xs` has at least `f+c` elements. Examples:

```
> section 0 1 [1,2,3,4,5]
[1]
```

```
> section 0 3 [1,2,3,4,5]
[1,2,3]
```

```
> section 1 3 [1,2,3,4,5]
[2,3,4]
```

```
> section 4 1 [1,2,3,4,5]
[5]
```

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 6

- Given these Haskell function definitions

```
duh :: [Int] -> Int -> [[Int]]
```

```
duh xs a = duh' xs a []
```

```
duh' [] _ [] = []
```

```
duh' [] _ xs = [xs]
```

```
duh' (x:xs) a ys
```

```
    | a == x           = nut ys (duh' xs a [])
```

```
    | otherwise        = duh' xs a (ys ++ [x])
```

```
nut [] xs = xs
```

```
nut xs ys = xs : ys
```


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answer these questions:

- 1 What is the result of `nut [] [[1,2]]`?
- 2 What is the result of `nut [2] [[1,2]]`?
- 3 What is the most general type of `nut`?
- 4 What is the result of `duh [1,2,3] 1`?
- 5 What is the result of `duh [1,2,3,1,4] 1`?

372 Midterm 2004 – Problem 7

What are the results of these Haskell expressions?

- 1 `filter p [[1],[1,2],[1,2,3],[1,2,3,4]]`
where `p xs = length xs > 2`
- 2 `filter (not . even . length) xs`
where `xs = [[1],[1,2],[1,2,3],[1,2,3,4]]`
- 3 `foldr (\ xs i -> length xs + i) 0 xs`
where `xs = [[1],[1,2],[1,2,3],[1,2,3,4]]`
- 4 `iterate id 1`
- 5 `(fst . head . zip [1,2,3]) [4,5,6]`

372 Final 2004 – Problem 1

- Given these Haskell function definitions

```
mystery :: [a] -> [[a]]
mystery xs = [take n xs, drop n xs]
              where n = h xs
```

```
h :: [a] -> Int
h [] = 0
h [_] = 0
h (_:_:xs) = 1 + h xs
```

what does the expression

```
mystery [1,2,3,4,5]
```

return?

372 Final 2004 – Problem 2

- 1 What is *referential transparency*? Illustrate with an Icon procedure and a Haskell function.
- 2 Haskell is a *lazy* language. What does this mean?