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## THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

## FACULTY OF SCIENCE

# FINAL EXAMINATION

### COMPUTER SCIENCE 521

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Time: 2 hrs.

Instructions

The exam contains questions totaling 100 points. Answer all **questions.** This exam is closed book.

(10 Marks)

- 1. (a) Given the definition of fold(right) in Haskell for lists.
  - (b) Use the fold(right) on lists to implement the function

 $\texttt{inlist} :: \texttt{Eq} \; a \Rightarrow a \rightarrow [a] \rightarrow \texttt{Bool}$ 

which tests whether an element is in a list.

(c) What is the foldleft combinator for a list? How do you implement it using a the fold(right) combinator?

### (15 marks)

- 2. (a) Explain what a fixed point combinator is in the  $\lambda$ -calculus.
  - (b) Show that  $X = (\lambda xy.x \ y \ x)(\lambda yx.y \ (x \ y \ x))$  is a fixed point combinator (this is Tromp's fixed point combinator). Remember to try  $\beta$ -reducing at both ends of the desired equality!
  - (c) Consider the general recursive function

nats  $n = \langle n, nats (n+1) \rangle$ 

where  $\langle x, y \rangle := \lambda p.p \ x \ y$ . Describe how **nats** is implemented in the  $\lambda$ -calculus (you may assume a general fixed point combinator Y).

(d) When is a  $\lambda$ -term in head normal form? Illustrate a head reduction on nats 0 as implemented in the  $\lambda$ -calculus in part (c) above.

20 marks

- 3. In the  $\lambda$ -calculus:
  - (a) Give an example of a term with a normal form for which a rightmost innermost rewriting strategy will *not* find the normal form. Explain briefly why a leftmost outermost reduction will find a normal form if there is one.
  - (b) Give the de Bruijn form of the term:

$$\lambda xy.(\lambda x.(\lambda y.yx)(xy))(yx)$$

and give the step-by-step outermost leftmost reduction of the term.

- (c) Explain how the natural numbers, Nat, can be represented in the λ-calculus - the so called Church numerals. How does one write the fold and the predecessor function?
- (d) One may represent  $\lambda$ -terms in the  $\lambda$ -calculus using the following datatype:

data LTerm a = Var a | App LTerm LTerm | Abs a LTerm

Describe the encoding of the constructors, the fold, and the map for this data type.

(e) In the second recursion theorem one uses a function T such that  $T(\underline{X}) = \underline{X}$  where  $\underline{X}$  is the representation of the  $\lambda$ -term X in the  $\lambda$ -calculus (as above using LTerm Nat). Describe how T can be implement as a  $\lambda$ -calculus term. (Hint: use the folds above!!)

#### 15 marks

- 4. Call a  $\lambda$ -term *n*-cyclic if all reduction sequences leaving the term revisit the term (for the first time) after exactly *n*-steps. Every term is 0-cyclic and, for example,  $\Omega$  is 1-cyclic.
  - (a) Show that the terms

$$(\lambda yx.xxx)(\lambda yx.xxx)(\lambda yx.xxx)$$

and

 $\lambda z.z((\lambda yx.xxy)(\lambda yx.xxy)(\lambda yx.xxy))$ 

are 2-cyclic.

- (b) Show that for each n > 0, there are always terms which are *n*-cyclic and are not *n*-cyclic. Furthermore, show that for each *n* there are always infinitely many terms which are *n*-cyclic and infinitely many which are not *n*-cyclic!
- (c) Explain why it is decidable, for n > 0, whether a term is not *n*-cyclic but (harder!) undecidable whether a term *never reduces* to any *n*-cyclic term.

Explain your reasoning carefully!

15 marks

5. The basic modern SECD/CES machine has instructions:

 $\mathsf{Clo}(c)$  for pushing a closure of the code c with the current environment on the stack,

App for perform an application,

#(n) for retrieving the  $n^{\text{th}}$  value in the environment,

Ret for jumping to the continuation on the stack,

Const(n) for pushing the constant n on the stack, and Add for addition.

Before			After		
Code	Env	Stack	Code	Env	Stack
Clo(c'):c	e	8	c	e	Clos(c',e):s
App: c	e	Clos(c',e'):v:s	<i>c</i> ′	v:e'	Clos(c,e):s
#(n);c	e	8	c	e	e(n):s
Ret: c	e	v:Clos(c',e'):s	<i>c</i> ′	e'	v:s
Const(k): c	e	8	c	e	k:s
Add: c	e	n:m:s	c	e	(n+m):s

The machine transitions are:

Where Clos(c, e) denotes closure of code c with environment e and e(n) is the n<sup>th</sup>-element of the environment.

One way to express the compilation of  $\lambda$ -terms (with arithmetic) into CES-machine code is as follows:

$$\begin{split} & [\![\lambda x.t]\!]_s = [\mathsf{Clo}([\![t]\!]_{x:s} + [\mathsf{Ret}])] \\ & [\![M \ N]\!]_s = [\![N]\!]_s + [\![M]\!]_s + [\mathsf{app}] \\ & [\![x]\!]_s = [\#(n)] \text{ where } n = \mathsf{index} \ x \ s \\ & [\![k]\!]_s = [\mathsf{Const}(k)] \\ & [\![a+b]\!]_s = [\![b]\!]_s + [\![a]\!]_s + [\mathsf{Add}] \end{split}$$

Compile

$$(\lambda x.(\lambda y.x+y)\ 10)\ 3$$

into CES-machine code and show in detail the machine steps for evaluating this code.

Which reduction strategy does this machine implement? What are the advantages and disadvantages of this reduction strategy?

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### 25 marks

- 6. Using the judgments for type inference in Table 1 give the result of collecting the type equations and solving the equations (or showing there is no solution) in the following:
  - (a) For the term,  $\lambda x f.(f x) (x f)$ , in the simply typed lambda calculus (or in **BPCF**), either provide the most general type or show that it cannot be typed.
  - (b) Show how the recursive program, map, map on lists:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{map}\ f\ z = & \mathsf{case}\ z \\ \mathsf{of} & \left| \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{nil} & \mapsto & \mathsf{nil} \\ \mathsf{cons}\ a\ as & \mapsto & \mathsf{cons}\ (f\ a)\ (\mathsf{map}\ f\ as) \end{array} \right. \end{array}$$

can be written in **BPCF** as a close term using the fix construct and show how its most general type can be inferred.

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Table 1: Rules for type inference