

Comp 311

Functional Programming

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Announcements

- Homework 2 Available from Piazza (Due October 1)
- Two Sigma Info Session at Huff House, 4pm Today

Traversing Multiple Recursive Datatypes

Taking the First Few Elements

```
def take(n: Nat, xs: List): List = {  
  // require n <= size(xs)  
  (n,xs) match {  
    case (Zero, xs) => Empty  
    case (Next(m), Cons(y, ys)) => Cons(y, take(m, ys))  
  }  
}
```

Taking the First Few Elements

```
def take(n: Int, xs: List): List = {  
  require ((n >= 0) && (n <= size(xs)))  
  (n,xs) match {  
    case (0, xs) => Empty  
    case (n, Cons(y, ys)) => Cons(y, take(n-1, ys))  
  }  
}
```

Dropping the First Few Elements

```
def drop(n: Int, xs: List): List = {  
  require (n <= size(xs))  
  (n, xs) match {  
    case (0, xs) => xs  
    case (n, Cons(y, ys)) => drop(n-1, ys)  
  }  
}
```

Functional Update of a List

```
def update(xs: List, i: Nat, y: Int): List = {  
  require (xs != Empty) // && i < size(xs)  
  
  (xs, i) match {  
    case (Cons(z, zs), Zero) => Cons(y, zs)  
    case (Cons(z, zs), Next(j)) => Cons(z, update(zs, j, y))  
  }  
}
```

Functional Update of a List

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def update(xs: List, i: Int, y: Int): List = {  
  require ((i >= 0) && (i < size(xs)))  
  assert (xs != Empty)  
  
  (xs, i) match {  
    case (Cons(z, zs), 0) => Cons(y, zs)  
    case (Cons(z, zs), _) => Cons(z, update(zs, i-1, y))  
  }  
}
```


Design Abstraction

Our Function Templates

Reveal Common Structure

```
def containsZero(xs: List): Boolean = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => false  
    case Cons(n, ys) => (n == 0) || containsZero(ys)  
  }  
}
```

```
def containsOne(xs: List): Boolean = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => false  
    case Cons(n, ys) => (n == 1) || containsOne(ys)  
  }  
}
```

Our Function Templates Reveal Common Structure

```
def contains(m: Int, xs: List): Boolean = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => false  
    case Cons(n, ys) => (n == m) || contains(m, ys)  
  }  
}
```

But Sometimes the Part We Want to Abstract Is a Function

```
def below(m: Int, xs: List): List = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(n, ys) => {  
      if (n < m) Cons(n, below(m, ys))  
      else below(m, ys)  
    }  
  }  
}
```

But Sometimes the Part We Want to Abstract Is a Function

```
def above(m: Int, xs: List): List = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(n, ys) => {  
      if (n > m) Cons(n, above(m, ys))  
      else above(m, ys)  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Taking Functions As Parameters

```
def filter(f: (Int)=>Boolean, xs: List): List = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(n, ys) => {  
      if (f(n)) Cons(n, filter(f, ys))  
      else filter(f, ys)  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Passing Functions as Arguments

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

```
filter((n: Int) => (n > 0)), xs)  $\mapsto^*$   
Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

```
filter((n: Int) => (n < 0)), xs)  $\mapsto^*$   
Empty
```

```
filter((n: Int) => (n < 3)), xs)  $\mapsto^*$   
Cons(1, Cons(2, Empty))
```

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Empty
```

```
filter((n: Int) => (n < 3)), xs)  $\mapsto^*$   
Cons(1, Cons(2, Empty))
```

These are
function literals



First-Class Functions

- Function literals are expressions with static arrow types that reduce to *function values*
- The value type of a function value is also an arrow type
- Function values are first-class values:
 - They are allowed to be passed as arguments
 - They are allowed to be returned as results

Simplifying Function Literals

- Parameter types on function literals are allowed to be elided whenever the types are clear from context

```
filter((n: Int) => (n > 0)), xs)
```

can be written as

```
filter((n) => (n > 0)), xs)
```

Simplifying Function Literals

- Parentheses around a single parameter is allowed to be omitted

```
filter((n) => (n > 0)), xs)
```

can be written as

```
filter(n => (n > 0), xs)
```

Simplifying Function Literals

- When a single parameter is used only once in the body of a function literal:
 - We can drop the parameter list
 - We simply write the body with an `_` at the place where the parameter is used

For example,

`((x: Int) => (x < 0))`

becomes

`_ < 0`

Passing Functions as Arguments

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))  
  
    filter(_ < 3, xs)  $\mapsto^*$  Cons(1, Cons(2, Empty))
```

Mapping a Computation Over a List

```
def double(xs: List) = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(y,ys) => Cons(y * y, double(ys))  
  }  
}
```

We Might Express a Similar Computation
Mathematically as a Comprehension

$$\{2x \mid x \in xs\}$$

Mapping a Computation Over a List

```
def negate(xs: List) = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(y,ys) => (-y, negate(ys))  
  }  
}
```


Negation as a Comprehension

$$\{-x \mid x \in xs\}$$

Mapping a Computation Over a List

```
def map(f: Int => Int, xs: List) = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => Empty  
    case Cons(y,ys) => Cons(f(y), map(f,ys))  
  }  
}
```

Mapping a Computation Over a List

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

```
negate(xs)  $\mapsto^*$ 
```

```
Cons(-1, Cons(-2, Cons(-3, Cons(-4, Cons(-5, Cons(-6, Empty))))))
```

```
double(xs)  $\mapsto^*$ 
```

```
Cons(1, Cons(4, Cons(9, Cons(16, Cons(25, Cons(36, Empty))))))
```

Mapping a Computation Over a List

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

```
map(_-, xs)  $\mapsto^*$ 
```

```
Cons(-1, Cons(-2, Cons(-3, Cons(-4, Cons(-5, Cons(-6, Empty))))))
```

```
map(x => x * x, xs)  $\mapsto^*$ 
```

```
Cons(1, Cons(4, Cons(9, Cons(16, Cons(25, Cons(36, Empty))))))
```

Recall Our Sum Function Over Lists

```
def sum(xs: List): Int = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => 0  
    case Cons(y,ys) => y + sum(ys)  
  }  
}
```

In Mathematics, We Might
Write a Summation

$$\sum_{n \in X_S} n$$

And Our Product Function Over Lists

```
def product(xs: List): Int = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => 1  
    case Cons(y,ys) => y * sum(ys)  
  }  
}
```

In Mathematics, We Might
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$$\prod_{n \in X_S} n$$

We Abstract to a Reduction Function Over Lists

```
def reduce(base: Int, f: (Int, Int) => Int, xs: List): Int = {  
  xs match {  
    case Empty => base  
    case Cons(y,ys) => f(y, reduce(base, f, ys))  
  }  
}
```

Example Reductions

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

```
reduce(0, (x,y) => x + y, xs)  $\mapsto^*$  21
```

```
reduce(1, (x,y) => x * y, xs)  $\mapsto^*$  720
```

Simplifying Function Literals

- When *each* parameter is used only once in the body of a function literal, and in the order in which they are passed:
 - We can drop the parameter list
 - We simply write the body with an `_` at the place where each parameter is used

For example,

`((x: Int, y: Int) => (x + y))`

becomes

`_ + _`

Example Reductions

```
val xs = Cons(1, Cons(2, Cons(3, Cons(4, Cons(5, Cons(6, Empty))))))
```

`reduce(0, _+_, xs) \mapsto^* 21`

`reduce(1, _*__, xs) \mapsto^* 720`

Note the multiple parameters



Combinations of Maps and Reductions

$$\sum_{n \in X_S} n^2 + 1$$

Combinations of Maps and Reductions

`reduce(0, _+_, map(x=> x*x + 1, xs))`

\mapsto

97

Summation

```
def square(x:Int) = x * x
```

```
def summation(f: Int => Int, xs: List) =  
  reduce(0, _+_, map(f, xs))
```

Summation

`summation(square(_)+1, xs) ↦ 97`

More Syntactic Sugar

- Functions defined with **def** can be passed as arguments whenever an expression of a compatible function type is expected
- What constitutes a compatible function type?

Partially Applied Functions

- If we want to pass a function as an argument, but supply some of the arguments to the function ourselves, we can wrap an application to the function in a function literal:

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```
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```

which is equivalent to

```
map(_ + 1, xs)
```

Partially Applied Functions

- **Eta Expansion:** Wrapping a function in function literal that takes all of the arguments of `f` and immediately calls `f` with those arguments

`(x:Int) => square(x)`

is equivalent to

`square`

Mapping a Computation Over a List

We can use eta expansion to pass operators
as arguments:

```
map(x => -x, xs)
```

Mapping a Computation Over a List

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as arguments:

```
map(-_, xs)
```

Recommended Viewing

- Guy L. Steele Jr., “Growing a Language”:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ahvzDzKdB0