

CS242 Midterm

Fall 2021

- Please read all instructions (including these) carefully.
- There are 4 questions on the exam, some with multiple parts. You have 90 minutes to work on the exam.
- The exam is open note. You may use laptops, phones and e-readers to read electronic notes, but not for computation or access to the internet for any reason.
- Please write your answers in the space provided on the exam, and clearly mark your solutions. Do not write on the back of exam pages or other pages.
- Solutions will be graded on correctness and clarity. Each problem has a relatively simple and straightforward solution. You may get as few as 0 points for a question if your solution is far more complicated than necessary. Partial solutions will be graded for partial credit.

NAME: _____

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Problem	Max points	Points
1	25	
2	10	
3	30	
4	25	
TOTAL	90	

1. **Lambda Calculus** (25 points)

Recall the following definitions of booleans, integers, and lists from homework 1:

```
def T =  $\lambda x. \lambda y. x$ ;  
def F =  $\lambda x. \lambda y. y$ ;  
def not =  $\lambda b. b F T$   
def inc =  $\lambda n. \lambda f. \lambda x. f (n f x)$ ;  
def 0 =  $\lambda f. \lambda x. x$ ;  
def cons =  $\lambda h. \lambda t. \lambda f. \lambda x. f h (t f x)$ ;  
def nil =  $\lambda f. \lambda x. x$ ;
```

For the following problems, feel free to define and use helper functions.

- (a) Write a lambda expression `xor` that returns the `xor` of two booleans. Recall that `xor` is true iff exactly one of its two boolean arguments is true.

```
def xor =  $\lambda a. \lambda b. \underline{\hspace{10em}}$ 
```

- (b) Write a lambda expression `num_odds` that returns the number of odd integers in a list of integers.

```
def num_odds =  $\lambda l. \underline{\hspace{10em}}$ 
```

2. **Object Calculus** (10 points)

Consider the following object calculus, extended with some constants. Objects are defined by

$$o = [\dots, l_i : \zeta(x) e_i, \dots]$$

where the method bodies e_i can use variables x , integers i , sums of integers $e + e'$, method selections $e.l$, and method overrides $e.l \Leftarrow \zeta(y) e'$. Consider the following object calculus program:

$$o = [\mathbf{a} : \zeta(x) 0, \mathbf{b} : \text{_____}]$$

Fill in the **b** field with a method that, when invoked, returns an object of the same kind with the **a** field changed to a method that returns the old value of **a** incremented by 1. For example, the expression $o.b.b.b.b.a$ should evaluate to 5 (that is the number 5, not an encoding of 5).

3. Simple Types (30 points)

In this problem we extend the Simply Typed Lambda Calculus (STLC) with some new features. As a reminder, STLC has no polymorphic (quantified) types. The STLC's syntax is:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Constants } c &::= 0 \mid 1 \mid \dots \\ \text{Expressions } e &::= x \mid \lambda x : \tau. e \mid e e \mid c \\ \text{Types } \tau &::= \text{int} \mid \tau \rightarrow \tau \mid \alpha \end{aligned}$$

Recall that the type checking rules $\Gamma \vdash e : \tau$ for the STLC are:

$$\frac{}{\Gamma \vdash c : \text{int}} \quad \frac{}{\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash x : \tau} \quad \frac{\Gamma, x : \tau \vdash e : \tau'}{\Gamma \vdash \lambda x : \tau. e : \tau \rightarrow \tau'} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \tau \rightarrow \tau' \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \tau}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 e_2 : \tau'}$$

- (a) We add *product* types to the STLC. Product types provide a way to construct and use pairs by packing two values together into a single value. Here we are introducing pairs as a new primitive type instead of using an encoding in the lambda calculus itself. Pairs are formed by the constructor $\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle$, and are eliminated through the accessors $.l$ and $.r$. For example $\langle 3, 4 \rangle.r \rightarrow 4$ and $\langle 3, 4 \rangle.l \rightarrow 3$.

A pair of expressions $\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle$ has type $\tau_1 \times \tau_2$ if $e_1 : \tau_1$ and $e_2 : \tau_2$. We extend the syntax of the STLC as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Expressions } e &::= \dots \mid \langle e, e \rangle \mid e.l \mid e.r \\ \text{Types } \tau &::= \dots \mid \tau \times \tau \end{aligned}$$

Fill in the typing rules for pairs:

$$\frac{\boxed{} \quad \boxed{}}{\Gamma \vdash \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle : \boxed{}}$$

$$\frac{\boxed{}}{\Gamma \vdash e.l : \boxed{}}$$

$$\frac{\boxed{}}{\Gamma \vdash e.r : \boxed{}}$$

- (b) Consider the following approach to adding pairs to the STLC by using an encoding instead of adding them as primitives to the language:

```
let pair =  $\lambda x. \lambda y. \lambda f. f x y$   
let dotl =  $\lambda p. p (\lambda x. \lambda y. x)$   
let dotr =  $\lambda p. p (\lambda x. \lambda y. y)$   
let p = pair 0 ( $\lambda f. f$ )  
let x = dotl p  
let y = dotr p
```

Is this program well typed? If so, provide the types of `pair`, `dotl` and `dotr`. If not, explain why the program cannot be typed.

4. Combinator Calculi (25 points)

- (a) Show that the I combinator in the SKI calculus isn't needed: Write a combinator using only S and K that implements I. There is a solution that uses three combinators.

- (b) Consider the following combinator language:

- $\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ is a list of length n
- $\mathbf{fold} \ f \ y \ \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle = f \ x_1 \ (f \ x_2 \ (\dots (f \ x_n \ y) \dots))$
- $\mathbf{cons} \ x_0 \ \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle = \langle x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$
- $\langle \rangle$ is the empty list, so we don't need a separate empty list constructor

Note that **fold** performs a reduction starting from the right end of the list using y as the initial value. In the following problems, you may use **fold**, **cons** and lambda expressions (including helper function definitions if you like) in your solution, but you may not use any form of iteration or recursion other than **fold**.

- i. Write a function *append* that appends an element x to the right end of a list l .
 $\mathit{append} \ x \ l =$

- ii. Using *append*, write a function *reverse* that reverses a list l .
 $\mathit{reverse} \ l = l$