

Ocaml HOF ①

Ocaml Higher Order Functions (fns which take fns as args)

Tail calls

- pop local frame before calling
- callee returns to fn's caller

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let rec fac n = match n with
| Ø → 1
| n when n > 0 → n * fac(n-1)
| _ → raise (Invalid_arg "fac")
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let fac n =
  let fac' n' m' =
    if n' = 0 then m'
    else fac'(n'-1)(n'*m')
in fac
  in if n >= 0 then fac' n 1
     else raise (Invalid_arg "fac")
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- can use pattern matching
or if then else

Pattern Matching

let hd l = match l with
 | [] → raise (Invalid_arg "hd")
 | x :: _ → x

hd: 'a list → 'a

let tl l = match l with
 | [] → raise (Invalid_arg "tl")
 | _ :: xs → xs

tl: 'a list → 'a list

- 'a is parametric type
- is wildcard (ignored)

let curry f (x, y) = f x y

(~~(x : 'a) * (y : 'b) → ('a × 'b) → 'c~~)

('a * 'b) → 'a → 'b → 'c

let uncurry f x y = f (x, y)

'a → 'b → ('a * 'b) → 'c

let add = uncurry (+)

add (3, 4) ⇒ 7

~~(f : a → b) → int → a~~
~~f n computes n closure f "x"~~
~~ex f³ x = f (f (f x))~~
~~arg & result both 'c~~

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Apply fn n times
ex $f^3x = f(f(fx))$

let apply-n f n x =

if $n < 0$ then raise (Invalid_arg "apply-n")
else if $n = 0$ then x
else apply-n f (n - 1) (f x)

$('a \rightarrow 'a) \rightarrow \text{int} \rightarrow 'a \rightarrow 'a$

apply-n (fun x → x + 1) 4 $\not\equiv$ || apply-n ((+) 1) 4

$\Rightarrow 4$

let foldl f u list = match list with

| [] → u

| x :: xs → foldl f (f v x) xs

$('a \rightarrow 'b \rightarrow 'a) \rightarrow 'a \rightarrow 'b \text{ list} \rightarrow 'a$

let sum l = match l with

| [] → 0

| x :: xs → x + sum xs

let sum l =

let sum' l t = match l with

| [] → t

| x :: xs → sum' xs (t + x)

in sum' l $\not\equiv$

let sum l = foldl (+) 0 l

β reduction:

let sum = foldl (+) 0

- currying makes fns simpler

#let len l =

let len' l m = match l with
| [] → m

in len' _ :: xs → len' xs (m + 1)

#let len = fold l (fun u → u + 1) Ø

use a lambda, ignore 2nd argument

NOTE: foldl is left associative

with unit value at left of list

- is tail recursive

But what if no identity

use reduce instead

#let reduce f l = match l with

| [] → raise (Invalid_arg "reduce")

| x :: xs → foldl f x xs

~~don't~~:

don't want error? → return option

#let reduce f l = match l with

| [] → None

| x :: xs → Some (foldl f x xs)

('a → 'b → 'a) → 'b list → 'a option.

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let foldl f u l = match l with

| [] → u

| x :: xs → foldl f (f u x) xs

let foldr f l u = match l with

| [] → u

| x :: xs → f x (foldr f xs u)

foldl: ('a → 'b → 'a) → 'a → 'b list → 'a

foldr: ('a → 'b → 'b) → 'a list → 'b → 'b

Use of foldr

let map f l = match l with

| [] → []

| x :: xs → f x :: map f xs

(~~map~~) ('a → 'b) → 'a list → 'b list

let map f l = foldr ~~map~~

(fun h t → f h :: t)

map (~~map~~) [1; 2; 3]

((+) 1) = foldr ⊕ [1; 2; 3] []

= ((+) 1) 1 :: (foldr ⊕ [2; 3] [])

= ((+) 1) 1 :: ((+) 1) 2 :: (foldr ⊕ [3] [])

= 2 :: 3 :: 4 :: []

= [2; 3; 4] , skipped steps.

Reverse a list

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- consider two stacks
- pop old push new until done

#~~let~~ reverse l =

let rev l m = match l with
| [] → m
| x :: xs → rev xs (x :: m)
in rev l []

$$\begin{aligned}\text{reverse } [1; 2; 3] &= \text{rev } [1; 2; 3] [] \\ &= \text{rev } [2; 3] [1] \\ &= \text{rev } [3] [2; 1] \\ &= \text{rev } [] [3; 2; 1] \\ &= [3; 2; 1]\end{aligned}$$

tail rec so use fold l

let reverse = fold l (fun t h → h :: t) []

$$\begin{aligned}\text{reverse } [1; 2; 3] &= \text{foldl } \textcircled{6} [] [1; 2; 3] \\ &= \text{foldl } \textcircled{6} 1 [2; 3]\end{aligned}$$

⋮

Filter
 $l \leftarrow [\forall x \in l \mid p x]$

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~~#filter~~

let filter p l = match l with
| [] → []
| x::xs → if p x then x::filter p xs
else filter p xs

let filter p =
foldr (fun h t → if p h
then h::t
else t) []

let rec copy l = match l with
| [] → []
| x::xs → x :: copy xs

let copyl = foldr (fun t h → h :: t) []

copyl [1;2;3]
= foldr @ [1;2;3] []
= 1 :: 2 :: (3 :: [])

let rec unzip l = match l with

| [] → ([], [])

| (a, b)::xs →

let (al, bl) = unzip xs

in (a::al, b::bl)

// list of pairs → pair of lists

('a * 'b) list → 'a list * 'b list

unzip [1;2;3;4;5;6] → [1;3;5], [2;4;6]

zipwith
join pair of lists with operator

let rec zipwith f l1 l2 =

match l1, l2 with

| [], [] → []

| [], _ → raise (Invalid_arg "zipwith")

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| h1::t1, h2::t2 →

f h1 h2 :: zipwith f t1 t2

('a → 'b → 'c) → 'a list → 'b list → 'c list

zipwith (+) [1;2;3][4;5;6] → [5;7;9]

zipwith (fun a b → a, b) [1;2;3][4;5;6]

⇒ [(1,4);(2,5);(3,6)]

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let^{rec} apply'n f n x =

match n with

| n when n < 0 → invalid arg "apply'n"

| Ø → x

| n → apply'n f (n-1) ⋙ (fx)

('a → 'a) → int → 'a → 'a

apply'n (fun x → x + 2) 5 Ø ⇒ 10

f(f(fx))

How about trees?

type 'atree = Tree of 'a tree * 'a * 'a tree

~~list of~~
| Null

let~~postorder~~ f tree match tree with

~~| Leaf a → f a~~
~~| Tree (l, a, r) → f l~~
~~a~~
~~Tree (l, a, r)~~

let^v postorder f u tree = match tree with

| Null → u

| Tree (l, a, r) → ~~f l~~ a

 →
f (postorder^v_l) a (postorder^v_r)

('a → 'b → 'a → 'a) → 'a → 'b tree → 'a