

Exercises for Lecture: Functional Programming

Exercise Sheet 13 (Type Inference, Parsing)

Problem 1 (Type Inference)

Derive the most general type of the following function:

```
len xs = if null xs then 0 else 1 + len (tail xs)
```

For every subexpression, state its type currently known at the time it was derived. If necessary, also state the substitutions that needed to be carried out. You can assume that $0::\text{Int}$, $1::\text{Int}$, $(+)\::\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Int}\rightarrow\text{Int}$, $\text{null}::\forall\alpha.[\alpha] \rightarrow \text{Bool}$, and $\text{tail}::\forall\alpha.[\alpha] \rightarrow [\alpha]$.

Problem 2 (Parser Combinators)

In Stud.IP you can find the file `Expr.hs`, which defines the abstract syntax of a simple language with λ -expressions together with an interpreter for the language (function `run`). In `Parser.hs` you can find some basic definitions for a parser and a simple grammar for a concrete syntax for the language defined in `Expr.hs`. Implement a parser for the language (following the grammar described in the file) as `expr`. The `main` function of `Main.hs` asks the user for an expression, runs the parser and then interprets the expression.

Note: You may need to start GHCi with `-package parsec` to make the Parsec library available. You can find the documentation of Parsec at <https://hackage.haskell.org/package/parsec>.

The modules `Text.Parsec.Prim` and `Text.Parsec.Combinator` provide some useful combinators to help with parsing.

Due date: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 16:00

Upload your solutions to the `Submissions` folder for this exercise in Stud.IP.