#### Lectures 3-4

# Functional languages

Iztok Savnik, FAMNIT

March, 2023.

### Literature

John Mitchell, Concepts in Programming Languages, Cambridge Univ Press, 2003 (Chapter 7)

Michael L. Scott, Programming Language Pragmatics (3rd ed.), Elsevier, 2009 (Chapters 10)

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Models of computation

- In 1930s many mathematicans were dealing with the formal notion of algorithm
  - Turing, Church, Kleene, Post, ...
  - Formalizations of »effective procedure«
- Mathematical models
  - Lambda calculus, General recursive functions. Combinatory logic. Abstract rewriting systems
- State machine models
  - Finite state machines. Pushdown automata. Random access machines. Turing machines
- Concurrent models
  - Cellular automaton. Kahn process networks. Petri nets.
     Synchronous Data Flow. Interaction nets. Actor model

## Models of computation

- Church's thesis says that all such formalizations are equally powerful
- Foundations of imperative and functional languages
  - Turing machine
  - Lambda calculus

## Functional languages

- In recent years functional languages have become increasingly more popular
  - Scientific as well as bussiness applications
- Functional languages have a great deal in common with imperative and object-oriented relatives
  - Names, scoping, expressons, types, recursion, ...
- We will learn common concepts of PL in different paradigms
  - Functions, parameter passing, blocks, ...
- Specific concepts of particular computation models will also be presented
  - Iteration, recursion, OO paradigm, ...

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

#### **Values**

- Atomic types
  - integer, real, boolean, string
  - Simple value is an instance of atomic type
- Functional languages use values
- Imperative languages use variables
- Ocaml includes atomic types:
  - Integer, float, char, string
  - Operations are bound to particular types
  - Derivation of expression type is easier

```
# 7;;
-: int = 7
# 5.3;;
-: float = 5.3
# 'c';;
-: char = 'c'
# "spring";;
-: string = "spring"
```

#### Lists

- Values of some type can be stored into lists
  - List is either empty [], or, it includes value of fixed type
- List has a head and a tail:
  - 1 is head and [2; 3] a tail
  - $-[1; 2; 3] \equiv 1::[2; 3] \equiv 1::2::3::[]$

```
# [ 1 ; 2 ; 3 ] ;;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3]
```

- Operator :: corresponds to Lisp cons operator
- Two lists can be concatenated using operator append @
  - $-[1]@[2;3] \equiv [1;2;3]$
- Implementation details & other aspects
  - Lectures on (1) Imperative lang. and (2) Types

#### **Products**

- Products are defined as in mathematics
  - Interpretation of a product type is the Cartesian product of the interpretations of types that comprise product
  - Instances of products are pairs, triples, n-tuples

```
# ( 65 , 'B' , "ascii") ;;
- : int * char * string = 65, 'B', "ascii"
```

```
# ( 12 , "October") ;;
- : int * string = 12, "October"
```

```
# fst;;
-: 'a * 'b -> 'a = <fun>
# fst ( "October", 12 ) ;;
-: string = "October"
```

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Bindings

- A binding is an association between two things, such as a name and the thing it names
- let statement binds value with its name
  - $\text{ let } x = M \text{ in } N \equiv (\lambda x.N)M$
- Value can be defined globally or locally
  - Global definition is accessible in global context
  - Local definition is seen solely in local context

```
let name<sub>1</sub>= expr<sub>1</sub>
...
and name<sub>n</sub>= expr<sub>n</sub>
in expr
```

```
let name_1 = expr_1
...
and name_n = expr_n
```

## Statement let: Examples

```
# let a = 3.0 and b = 4.0;;
val a : float = 3.
val b : float = 4.
# a;;
- : float = 3.
```

```
# let x = 3 in x * x ;;
- : int = 9
# (let x = 3 in x * x) + 1 ;;
- : int = 10
```

```
# let a = 3.0 and b = 4.0 in sqrt (a*.a +. b*.b);;
- : float = 5.
# a;;
Error: Unbound value a
```

```
# let c = (let a = 3.0 and b = 4.0 in sqrt (a*.a + .b*.b));; val c : float = 5.
```

### **Functions**

- Function is lambda abstraction λx.M
  - x is a parameter and M is the body of a function
- Function expression is composed of a parameter x and a function body M
  - Function parameter is formal
- Example:
  - $-\lambda x.x*x$
  - $-(\lambda x.x*x)$  5

```
# function x -> x*x ;;

-: int -> int = <fun>

# (function x -> x * x) 5 ;;

-: int = 25
```

### **Functions**

Function body can be another function

```
# function x -> (function y -> 3*x + y) ;;
-: int -> int -> int = <fun>
```

The result of a function can again be a function

```
# (function x -> function y -> 3*x + y) 5 ;;
-: int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# (function x -> function y -> 3*x + y) 4 5 ;;
-: int = 17
```

#### **Function**

- The arity of function is number of its parameters
  - Functions have single parameters in OCaml

$$f(g, x) = g(x)$$
  
 $f_{curry} = \lambda g.\lambda x.g x$ 

- This is called Curry form of function
- Single parameter can also be a tuple or a record
  - Curry form of the same function

```
# function (x,y) -> 3*x + y ;;
-: int * int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# function x -> function y -> 3*x + y;;
- : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# (function x -> function y -> 3*x + y) 4 5;;
- : int = 17
```

### **Function values**

- Function is treated as a value
  - Using let statement to define binding between function and name
- Examples:

```
# let succ = function x -> x + 1;;
val succ : int -> int = <fun>
# succ 420;;
-: int = 421
# let g = function x -> function y -> 2*x + 3*y;;
val g : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# g 1 2;;
-: int = 8
```

### **Function definition**

Alternative syntax for function definition in Ocaml

```
let name p_1 p_2 ... = <function-body> let name = function p_1 -> ... -> function p_n -> <function-body>
```

#### • Example:

- h1(y) = 2 + 3\*y
- h2(x) = 2\*x + 6

```
# let s x = x + 1;;
val s : int \rightarrow int = <fun>
# let g x y = 2*x + 3*y;;
val g : int \rightarrow int \rightarrow int = \langle fun \rangle
# let h1 = g1;
val h1 : int -> int = < fun>
# let h2 = function x -> g x 2 ;;
val h2 : int -> int = < fun>
# h2 2 ;;
-: int = 10
```

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

#### **Blocks**

- Most modern programming languages provide some kind of blocks
  - Block is program region that includes begin and end
  - Blocks have local variables
  - Global variable of some block is defined in some encompassing block
- Block are used in all modern PLs
  - C, C++, Java, Scala, Rust, C#, ML, ...
- Local def. of value can hide def. of global value

```
{ int x = ...;
    { int y = ...;
        x = y+2;
        { int x = ...;
        ...
        };
    };
```

```
# let a = 1.0;;
- : float = 1
# let a = 3.0 and b = 4.0 in sqrt (a*.a +. b*.b) ;;
- : float = 5
```

## Scope and lifetime

- Scope of value (or variable) is program area where it is defined
  - Value defined in some global block is defined in all subsuming blocks
- Lifetime of value (or variable) is duration of definition of value
- In many cases scope implies lifetime
  - Variables defined in a scope are disposed together with the environment of the scope
  - Global declarations in C, C++ can appear locally

## Static and dynamic scope

- Let some value be defined outside current block
  - Then variable is global relatively to local block
- Static scope
  - Variables are first searched in local block and then in structurally enclosing blocks
- Dynamic scope
  - Variables are searched by following function calls i.e.
    - blocks where function was invoked
- Static: C, Schema, Scala, Rust, ML, Pascal Dynamic: older Lisp, macros in C

```
# let x=1;;
val x : int = 1
# let g z = x+z;;
val g : int -> int = < fun>
# let f y = let x = y+1 in g (y*x);;
val f : int -> int = < fun>
# f(3);;
-: int = 13 (or 16)?
```

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

#### Recursion

- Definition of a symbol includes reference to itself
- Recursion was first introduced in Lisp
  - McCarthy advocated to use recursion in Algol
- Lambda abstractions do not have name
  - McCarthy suggestion for naming functions in Lisp

```
(label f (lambda (x) (cond ((eq \times 0) 0) (true (+ \times (f (- \times 1)))))))
```

Later they simply declared function using define

```
(define f (lambda (x) (cond ((eq x 0) 0) (true (+ x (f (- x 1)))))))
```

#### Linear recursion

- Recursion that evolves in one direction
  - Recursive call is at the end of function body
- Example: factorial

```
# let rec factorial n \rightarrow if n=1 then 1 else n * factorial (n-1);; val factorial : int \rightarrow int = \langle fun \rangle
```

- Tail recursion
  - Can be converted into iteration

```
fact 6 = 6 * fact 5

= 6 * (5 * fact 4)

= 6 * (5 * (4 * fact 3))

= 6 * (5 * (4 * (3 * fact 2)))

= 6 * (5 * (4 * (3 * (2 * fact 1))))

= 6 * (5 * (4 * (3 * (2 * 1))))

= 720
```

## Examples

- Function sigma computes sum from 1 to n.
  - Linear recursion

```
# let rec sigma x = if x = 0 then 0 else x + sigma (x-1);;
val sigma : int -> int = <fun>
# sigma 10 ;;
- : int = 55
```

- Function even and odd return boolean value
  - Recursion in two cycles

```
# let rec even n = (n<>1) && ((n=0) or (odd (n-1)))
  and odd n = (n<>0) && ((n=1) or (even (n-1)));;
val even : int -> bool = <fun>
val odd : int -> bool = <fun>
# even 4 ;;
- : bool = true
# odd 5 ;;
- : bool = true
```

### Ackermann function

- Ackermann f. is not primitive recursive but decidable (total fun.)
  - Linear recursion with termination condition
  - Growing faster than any primitive recursive f.
  - Decidable functions exist "above" primitive recursive functions.
- Example
  - A(1,1) and A(2,1)

```
A(0, y) = y+1

A(x+1, 0) = A(x, 1)

A(x+1, y+1) = A(x, A(x+1, y))
```

```
A(1, 1) = A(0, A(1, 0))
        = A(0, A(0, 1))
       = A(0, 2)
        = 3
A(2, 1) = A(1, A(2, 0))
        = A(1, A(1, 1))
        = A(1, 3)
        = A(0, A(1, 2))
        = A(0, A(0, A(1, 1)))
        = A(0, A(0, 3))
        = A(0, 4)
        = 5
```

## Ackermann function

- Implementation in OCaml
  - Recursive functions can be transl. almost directly to ML
- Function is growing very fast
  - Num. of atoms in the universe
  - Try: ack 4 2;;
    - Notebook with 16GB RAM
    - Combinatorial explosion
    - ack 2 n = 2\*n + 3
    - ack  $3 n = 2^{(n+3)} 3$
    - ack  $42 = 2^{65536} 3$
    - ack  $4.3 = 2^{2^{65536}} 3$

```
# let rec ack x y =
  if (x == 0) then y+1
  else if (y == 0) then ack (x-1) 1
      else ack (x-1) (ack x (y-1));;
val ack : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# ack 3 5;;
- : int = 253
```

```
# ack 1 2;;
-: int = 4
# ack 2 3;;
-: int = 9
# ack 3 14;;
-: int = 131069
# ack 3 15;;
Stack overflow during evaluation (looping recursion?).
# ack 4 1 ;;
-: int = 65533
# ack 4 2;;
Stack overflow during evaluation (looping recursion?).
#...
```

#### Recursive functions on lists

- A list is a linear data structure
  - Grows in one direction h::t (head and tail)
  - A tail again has a head and a tail, etc.
- Linear recursion
  - Recursion guided by the structure
  - Pattern:
    - Take the head and use it to compute the task.
    - Recur the action on the tail.
    - On return from the recursive call, take the result and build something that is again returned as the result.
    - Stopping condition is the end of a list.
    - Parameters can be used to assist in the construction of the result
- Can be converted into iteration, in some cases.

#### Recursive functions on lists

```
# let null I = (I = []);;
val null: 'a list -> bool = <fun>
# let rec size I =
if null I then 0
else 1 + (size (List.tl I)) ;;
val size : 'a list -> int = <fun>
# let rec reverse | =
if null I then []
else (reverse (List.tl I)) @ [(List.hd I)];;
val reverse : 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
```

### Recursive functions on lists

```
# let rec member x = 1
if null I then false
else if x = List.hd(I) then true
else member x (List.tl I);;
val member : 'a -> 'a list -> bool = \langle fun \rangle
# member 3 [2;3;1];;
-: bool = true
# let rec inter(xs, ys) =
if null xs then []
else let x = List.hd xs
     in if (member x ys) then x :: inter(List.tl xs, ys)
        else inter(List.tl xs, ys);;
val inter: 'a list * 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# inter ([1;2;3],[4;2]);;
-: int list = [2]
```

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Polymorphism

- Polymorphism (Greek, »many shapes«)
- Parametric polymorphism
  - Function can have "many shapes"
  - Types of parameters are variables
- Type variables
  - Variable that stands for any type
  - 'a, 'b, 'c, ...
- A form of genericity

```
# let make_pair a b = (a,b);;
val make_pair : 'a -> 'b -> 'a * 'b = <fun>
# let p = make_pair "paper" 451;;
val p : string * int = "paper", 451
# let a = make_pair 'B' 65;;
val a : char * int = 'B', 65
# fst p ;;
- : string = "paper"
# fst a ;;
- : char = 'B'
```

## **Examples: Polymorphic functions**

# let app = function  $f \rightarrow function x \rightarrow f x$ ;; val app : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a -> 'b = <fun>

- Function application
  - Any function f of type 'a->'b can be passed as parameter
- Function composition
  - Any functions f and g of type
     'a->'b and 'c->'a can be passed
     as parameters

```
# app odd 2;;
- : bool = false
# let id x = x ;;
val id : 'a -> 'a = <fun>
# app id 1 ;;
- : int = 1
```

```
# let compose f g x = f (g x) ;;
val compose : ('a -> 'b) -> ('c -> 'a) -> 'c -> 'b = <fun>
# let add1 x = x+1 and mul5 x = x*5 in compose mul5 add1 9 ;;
- : int = 50
```

# Examples: Polymorphic functions on lists

```
# let rec member x l =
if null I then false
else if x = List.hd(I) then true
else member x (List.tl I);;
val member: 'a -> 'a list -> bool = \langle fun \rangle
# member 3 [2;3;1];;
-: bool = true
# member 'a' ['c';'d';'e';'a'];;
-: bool = true
# member 1 ['c';'d';'e';'a'];;
Error: This expression has type char but an
expression was expected of type int
```

```
# let rec append I1 I2 =
if null I1 then I2
else (List.hd I1)::append (List.tl I1) I2 ;;
val append : 'a list -> 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# append [1;2] [3;4];;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3; 4]
# append ["2";"ab"] ["3";"c";"d"];;
- : string list = ["2"; "ab"; "3"; "c"; "d"]
```

### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Pattern matching

- A special feature of languages of ML family
  - Haskell, Erlang, SML, ...
  - Close to Prolog unification
  - Very complex case statement
- Declarative language construct!
  - Logic based languages?
  - Not functional and not imperative?
- Allows simple access to the components of complex data structures
- Functions can be defined by cases
  - Pattern matching over an argument

#### Pattern matching

- The patterns for the data structures characteristic for the functional languages are presented
  - Lists, products and unions
- The patterns used for the data structures of the imperative languages are presented later
  - in the frame of the imperative prog. Languages
  - Records and arrays.

#### Pattern matching

#### Pattern definition

- Structure comprised of tuples, records, unions and lists including constants (of predefined types) and variables
- Variables are "hooks" that catch the values
- The symbol \_ is called the wildcard pattern: matches to any data (as in Prolog)
- The evaluation is parametrised by data
  - When pattern in data is recognised, the corresponding expression is evaluated.

#### Statement match

- Patterns in match must be of the same type
- match <expression> with
  | <pattern\_1> -> <expression\_1>
  | <pattern\_2> -> <expression\_2>
  ....
  | <pattern\_k> -> <expression\_k>
- Pattern must be linear a variable can appear just once in a pattern
- Patterns in match are tested sequentially!
- The expression with the first match is evaluated
- List of patterns in match must be exhaustive every value must be matched with a pattern in the list
- First pipe (character | on the first line) is optional

#### Examples

Simple match:

With variable:

• With wildchard pattern:

#### Linearity and completeness

Every pattern must be linear:

```
let equal a b = match (a,b) with
  | (x,x) -> true
  |_ -> false;;
Error: Variable x is bound several times in this matching
# equal 1 2;;
Error: Unbound value equal
```

Every pattern must be exhaustive:

```
# let iszero x = match x with 0 -> true;;
Warning 8: this pattern-matching is not exhaustive.
Here is an example of a value that is not matched:
1
val iszero : int -> bool = <fun>
# iszero 0;;
- : bool = true
# iszero 10;;
Exception: "Match_failure //toplevel//:3:-34".
```

#### Combining patterns

# Pattern matching is sequential:

- 1. 'A' is "Consonant"
- 2. 'A' matched by "Vowel"

```
# let char discriminate c = match c with
  |'a' | 'e' | 'i' | 'o' | 'u' | 'y'
  | 'A'| 'E' | 'I' | 'O' | 'U' | 'Y' -> "Vowel"
  | 'a'..'z' | 'A'..'Z' -> "Consonant"
  | '0'..'9' -> "Digit"
  | -> "Other";;
val char discriminate : char -> string = <fun>
# val char discriminate 'A';;
-: string = "Vowel"
# val char discriminate 'z';;
-: string = "Consonant"
# val char discriminate '$';;
-: string = "Other"
```

#### Named patterns

 During pattern matching, it is sometimes useful to name part or all of the pattern. This is useful when one needs to take apart a value while still maintaining its integrity.

```
# let less_rat pr = match pr with
    | ((_,0),p2) -> p2
    | (p1,(_,0)) -> p1
    | (((n1,d1) as r1), ((n2,d2) as r2)) ->
        if (n1*d2) < (n2*d1) then r1 else r2;;
val min_rat : (int * int) * (int * int) -> int * int = <fun>
```

 As a result, the value matched by the named pattern can be returned.

## Pattern guards

- Guard is a conditional expression applied immediately after the pattern is matched.
- Syntax:

```
match <expression> with
....
| <pattern_i> when <condition> -> <expression_i> ....
```

• Example:

```
# let eq_rat cr = match cr with
    ((_,0),(_,0)) -> true
    | ((_,0),_) -> false
    | (_,(_,0)) -> false
    | ((n1,1), (n2,1)) when n1 = n2 -> true
    | ((n1,d1), (n2,d2)) when ((n1 * d2) = (n2 * d1)) -> true
    |_ -> false;;
val eq rat : (int * int) * (int * int) -> bool = <fun>
```

#### Matching on arguments

 Pattern matching is used in an essential way for defining (unary) functions by cases.

```
function
| <pattern_1> -> <expression_1>
....
| <pattern_k> -> <expression_k>
```

- Ordinary function with one argument:
  - function <x> -> <expression>
  - Using a single pattern

```
# let f (x,y) = 2*x + 3*y + 4;;
val f : int * int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# let f = function (x,y) \rightarrow 2*x + 3*y;;
val f : int * int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# let rec sigma = function
0 -> 0
| x -> x + sigma (x-1);;
val sigma : int -> int = <fun>
# sigma 10;;
- : int = 55
```

 We will see more examples of functions defined by patterns shortly! Let's consider first pattern matching on lists.

## Examples: Matching on arguments

Size of a list

```
# let rec length = function
    |[] -> 0
    |_::tl -> 1 + length tl;;
val length : 'a list -> int = <fun>
# length [1;2;3;4;5];;
- : int = 5
```

Joining two lists

```
# let rec append = function
    |[], | -> |
    | hd::tl, | -> hd :: append (tl,l);;
val append : 'a list * 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# append ([1;2;3;4], [5;6;7]);;
- : int list = [1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7]
```

#### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Type declaration

- Type is defined from simpler types using type constructors: \*, |, list, array, ...
- Type definition in Ocaml
- Example:

```
# type int_pair = int*int;;
type int_pair = int * int
# let v:int_pair = (1,1);;
val v : int_pair = (1, 1)
```

```
type name = typedef;;
type name<sub>1</sub> = typedef<sub>1</sub>
and name<sub>2</sub> = typedef<sub>2</sub>
...
and name<sub>n</sub> = typedef<sub>n</sub>;;
```

```
typedef char byte;
typedef struct {int m;} A;
typedef struct {int m;} B;
A x; B y;
x=y; /* incompatible types in assignment */
```

#### Parametrized types

- Type declarations can include type variables
- Type variable is a variable that can stand for arbitrary type
- Types that include variables are called parametrized types or also polymorphic types
- Parametrized type in Ocaml:

```
# type ('a,'b) pair = 'a*'b;;

type ('a, 'b) pair = 'a * 'b

# let v:(char,int) pair = ('a',1);;

val v: (char, int) pair = ('a', 1)
```

```
type 'a name = typedef ;;
type ('a_1 ... 'a_n) name = typedef ;;
```

#### **Products**

- Products of types T<sub>1</sub>\*T<sub>2</sub>\*...\*T<sub>n</sub>
  - Denotation: Cartesian product
     of sets that correspond to types T<sub>1</sub>T<sub>2</sub>...T<sub>n</sub>
  - $-I(T_1*T_2*...*T_n) = I(T_1) \times I(T_2) \times ... \times I(T_n)$
- Examples in Ocaml:
- Operations
  - Pattern matching
  - fst, snd

```
# fst;;

- : 'a * 'b -> 'a = <fun>

# snd;;

- : 'a * 'b -> 'b = <fun>
```

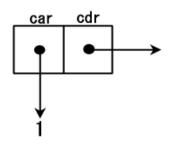
## Product: Ocaml examples

```
# type 'param paired_with_integer = int * 'param ;;
type 'a paired_with_integer = int * 'a
# type specific_pair = float paired_with_integer ;;
type specific_pair = float paired_with_integer
# let x:specific_pair = (3, 3.14) ;;
val x : specific_pair = 3, 3.14
```

```
# type ('a,'b,'c) triple = 'a*'b*'c;;
type ('a, 'b, 'c) triple = 'a * 'b * 'c
# let t = 1,'1',"1";;
val t : int * char * string = (1, '1', "1")
# let t:(int,char,string) triple = 1,'1',"1";;
val t : (int, char, string) triple = (1, '1', "1")
```

#### Lists

- Functional and logic languages
  - Work via recursion and higher-order functions
  - In Lisp a program is a list; can extend itself at run time
  - Built-in polymorphic functions to manipulate arbitrary lists
- Lists in Lisp
  - Two pointers: First (car) and Rest (cdr)
    - Names are historical accidents (contents of address|decrement register)



- Lists are implemented in this way in Lisp
  - Also in Python, Prolog
- Lists in Lisp are heterogeneous (of different types)

#### Lists

- Lists in ML-family
  - Lists in ML are homogeneous (of the same type)
  - Chains of blocks including element and a pointer to the next block
    - Also Clu (Barbara Liskov, 1974), Haskell
- Lists can also be used in imperative programs
  - Implementation as an example
- Lists work best in a language with automatic garbage collection
  - many of the standard list operations tend to generate garbage

## Pattern matching on lists

- Matching lists defined with:
  - Matching the head with a variable; can use '\_'
  - Matching the tail with a variable
  - Matching list elements as vars
  - Wild card '\_' instead of a variable
- Examples with let statement
  - All examples get warning:
    - Warning 8 [partial-match]:
       this pattern-matching is not
       exhaustive.
       Here is an example of a case
       that is not matched: []

```
# let h::t = [1; 2; 3; 4];;
val h: int = 1
val t : int list = [2; 3; 4]
\# \text{ let } [a;b;c;d] = [1; 2; 3; 4];;
val a : int = 1
val b : int = 2
val c : int = 3
val d: int = 4
# let h::h1::t = [1; 2; 3; 4];;
val h : int = 1
val h1 : int = 2
val t: int list = [3; 4]
```

## Examples: Pattern matching on lists

Membership test

 Intersection of two lists (as sets)

```
# let rec contains e lst = match lst with
    |[] -> false
    | hd::_ when e = hd -> true
    |_::tl -> contains e tl;;
val contains : 'a -> 'a list -> bool = <fun>
# contains 1 [1;2;3;4;5;6];;
- : bool = true
# contains 10 [1;2;3;4;5;6];;
- : bool = false
```

## Examples: Pattern matching on lists

 Union of two lists (as sets)

#### Example: Key-value store

- Key-value store implemented in a sorted list
  - Alternative names: dictionary, map, associative array

```
# type ('a,'b) kvstore = ('a*'b) list;;
type ('a, 'b) kvstore = ('a * 'b) list
```

```
# let empty_kvs : ('a,'b) kvstore = [];;
val empty_kvs : ('a, 'b) kvstore = []
# let rec put (k,v) (kvs : ('a,'b) kvstore) : ('a,'b) kvstore =
    match kvs with
    |[] -> [(k,v)]
    | (a,b)::t when k>a -> (a,b)::put (k,v) t
    | I -> (k,v)::I;;
val put : 'a * 'b -> ('a, 'b) kvstore -> ('a, 'b) kvstore = <fun>
```

#### Example: Key-value store

```
# let s = put (5,"five") (put (1,"one") (put (7,"seven") empty_kvs));;
val s : (int, string) kvstore = [(1, "one"); (5, "five"); (7, "seven")]
```

```
# exception Not found;;
# let rec get k (kvs : ('a,'b) kvstore) : 'b = match kvs with
  |(a, )::t when k>a -> get k t
  |(a,b):: when a=k \rightarrow b
  -> raise Not found;;
val get : 'a -> ('a, 'b) kvstore -> 'b = <fun>
# get 5 s;;
-: string = "five"
# get 8 s;;
Exception: Not found.
```

#### **Unions**

- Type constructed by union
  - Make a new set by taking the union of existing sets
  - $I(T_1|T_2|...|T_n) = I(T_1) \cup I(T_2) \cup ... \cup I(T_n)$
- Unions in Ocaml
- Operations:
  - Construction of instance
  - Pattern matching

```
type name = ...

| Name<sub>i</sub> ...

| Name<sub>j</sub> of t_j ...

| Name<sub>k</sub> of t_k * ... * t_l ... ;;
```

```
# type coin = Heads | Tails;;
type coin = | Heads | Tails
# Tails;;
- : coin = Tails
```

#### Example: Tarot

```
# type suit = Spades | Hearts |
              Diamonds | Clubs ;;
# type card =
     King of suit
    | Queen of suit
    | Knight of suit
    | Knave of suit
    | Minor card of suit * int
    | Trump of int
    | Joker ;;
```

```
# King Spades ;;
- : card = King Spades
# Minor_card(Hearts, 10) ;;
- : card = Minor_card (Hearts, 10)
# Trump 21 ;;
- : card = Trump 21
```

#### Example: Tarot

```
# let rec interval a b = if a = b then [b] else a :: (interval (a+1) b) ;;
val interval : int -> int -> int list = <fun>
# let all cards s =
   let face cards = [Knave s; Knight s; Queen s; King s]
   and other cards = List.map (function n \rightarrow Minor card(s,n)) (interval 1 10)
   in face cards @ other cards ;;
val all cards : suit -> card list = <fun>
# all cards Hearts ;;
-: card list =
[Knave Hearts; Knight Hearts; Queen Hearts; King Hearts;
Minor card (Hearts, 1); Minor card (Hearts, 2); Minor card (Hearts, 3);
Minor card (Hearts, ...); ...]
```

## Pattern matching on unions

```
# let string of suit = function
     Spades -> "spades"
    | Diamonds -> "diamonds"
    | Hearts -> "hearts"
    | Clubs -> "clubs";;
val string of suit : suit -> string = <fun>
# let string of card = function
     King c -> "king of "^ (string_of_suit c)
    | Queen c -> "queen of "^ (string of suit c)
    | Knave c -> "knave of "^ (string of suit c)
    | Knight c -> "knight of "^ (string_of_suit c)
    | Minor card (c, n) -> (string of int n) ^ "of "^(string of suit c)
    Trump n -> (string of int n) ^ "of trumps"
    val string_of card : card -> string = <fun>
```

#### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

#### Higher-order functions

- Higher-order function either takes function as the parameter, or, returns function.
  - We have already seen many examples
- Function compose is an example of higher-order function

```
# let compose f g x = f (g x) ;;
val compose : ('a -> 'b) -> ('c -> 'a) -> 'c -> 'b = <fun>
```

- The result is compositum of two functions stated as parameters compose
- Result is again a function

## Example: Higher-order functions

```
# let rec sum_ints (a,b) =
    if (a > b) then 0 else a + sum_ints (a+1,b);;
val sum_ints : int * int -> int = <fun>
# sum_ints (5,7);;
- : int = 18
```

```
# let cube x = x*x*x;;
val cube : int -> int = <fun>
# let rec sum_cubes (a,b) =
    if (a > b) then 0 else cube a + sum_cubes (a+1,b);;
val sum_cubes : int * int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# let rec fact x = if x=0 then 1 else x*fact (x-1);;
val fact : int -> int = <fun>
# let rec sum_facts (a,b) =
    if (a > b) then 0 else fact a + sum_facts (a+1,b);;
val sum_facts : int * int -> int = <fun>
```

#### Example: Higher-order functions

- Functions sum\_ints, sum\_cubes in sum\_facts can be generalized by implementing sum f (a,b).
- Function sum f (a,b) is example of a function in Curry form.
  - All functions sum\_\* can be now constructed.

```
# let rec sum f (a,b) =
    if (a > b) then 0 else f a + sum f (a+1,b);;
val sum : (int -> int) -> int * int -> int = <fun>
```

```
# let sum_ints = sum (function x -> x);;
val sum_ints : int * int -> int = <fun>
# sum_ints (1,5);;
- : int = 15
# let sum_cubes = sum cube;;
val sum_cubes : int * int -> int = <fun>
# let sum_facts = sum fact;;
val sum_facts : int * int -> int = <fun>
# sum_facts (2,4);;
- : int = 32
```

## Currying

- Function with more than one argument can be represented by sequence of functions with one argument (Currying)
- Curry functions can be evaluated partially in order to get some specific function
  - Intermediate functions can be used to define a new fun.
  - They can be linked with other function
  - We will see an example...
- Let's have a look at the example of functions that transform a function in Curry form into ordinary function, and back.

## **Example: Currying**

```
# let curry f = function x -> function y -> f(x,y);;
val curry : ('a * 'b -> 'c) -> 'a -> 'b -> 'c = < fun>
# let uncurry f = function(x,y) \rightarrow f x y;
val uncurry : ('a -> 'b -> 'c) -> 'a * 'b -> 'c = <fun>
# uncurry add1;;
- : int * int -> int = <fun>
# curry(uncurry add1);;
- : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# (uncurry add1) (2,3);;
-: int = 5
# curry(uncurry add1) 2 3;;
-: int = 5
```

```
# let add1 x y = x + y;;
val add1 : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# add1 3 4;;
- : int = 7
```

```
# let add2 (x,y) = x + y;;
val add2 : int*int -> int = <fun>
# add2 (3,4);;
- : int = 7
```

## Higher-order functions on lists

Function map is an example of higher-order function

```
# let rec map f l =
if null I then []
else f(List.hd I)::(map f (List.tl I));;
val map : ('a -> 'b) -> 'a list -> 'b list = <fun>
# let square x = string_of_int (x*x) ;;
val square : int -> string = <fun>
# map square [1; 2; 3; 4] ;;
- : string list = ["1"; "4"; "9"; "16"]
```

- Higher-order functions can be useful as programming tool
  - Used to manipulate big data! Map-Reduce and Spark.

#### Higher-order functions on lists

- Function for\_all is an example of higher-order function
  - Universal quantification for a property expressed as boolean function f on elements of list I

```
# let rec for_all f l =
if null l then true
else (f (List.hd l)) && for_all f (List.tl l);;
val for_all : ('a -> bool) -> 'a list -> bool = <fun>
# for_all (function n -> n<>0) [-3; -2; -1; 1; 2; 3] ;;
- : bool = true
# for_all (function n -> n<>0) [-3; -2; 0; 1; 2; 3] ;;
- : bool = false
```

#### Higher-order functions on lists

```
# type 'a option = Some of 'a | None;;
type 'a option = Some of 'a | None
```

```
# let div5 n = if (n mod 5 = 0) then Some n else None;;
val div5 : int -> int option = <fun>
# let rec find_map f = function (* from module List *)
    |[] -> None
    | h::t when (f h)=None -> find_map f t
    | h::_ -> (f h);;
val find_map : ('a -> 'b option) -> 'a list -> 'b option = <fun>
# find_map div5 [1;2;3;4;5];;
- : int option = Some 5
```

## Aggregate functions

#### Folding a list

```
- fold left f a [e_1; e_2; ...; e_n] = f (... (f (f a e_1) e_2) ... e_n).
```

#### Parameters

- f: 'a -> 'b -> 'a
- a : 'a
  - Initial value
- $[e_1; ...; e_n] : 'b list$

#### Algorithm

- Liner recursion
- Result is computed in the second parameter
- Folding starts on the left side of I;
   it is computed when I = ∏.

```
# let rec fold_left f a l =
    if null I then a
    else fold_left f (f a (List.hd I)) (List.tl I) ;;
val fold_left : ('a -> 'b -> 'a) -> 'a -> 'b list -> 'a = <fun>
```

```
# let sum_list = fold_left (+) 0;;
val sum_list : int list -> int = <fun>
# sum_list [2;4;7];;
-: int = 13
# let concat_list = fold_left (^) "";;
val concat_list : string list -> string = <fun>
# concat_list ["Hello "; "world"; "!"];;
-: string = "Hello world!"
```

## Aggregate functions

- Folding a list
  - fold right f a  $[e_1; e_2; ...; e_n] = f e_1 (f e_2 ( ... (f e_n a) ...)).$

```
# let rec fold_right f a l =
if null l then a
else f (List.hd l) (fold_right f a (List.tl l)) ;;
val fold_left : ('a -> 'b -> 'a) -> 'a -> 'b list -> 'a = <fun>
```

- Parameters are the same as in fold\_left
- Algorithm
  - Linear recursion
  - Folding starts at the right-hand side of I
  - Initial a is used when recursion is completed
  - The result is built backwards: f e<sub>1</sub> ... (f e<sub>n-1</sub> (f e<sub>n</sub> a)) ...)

#### Functions that construct functions

Function constructs function

```
# let rec iterate n f = if n = 0 then (function x \rightarrow x) else compose f (iterate (n-1) f) ;; val iterate : int -> ('a -> 'a) -> 'a -> 'a = <fun>
```

Construction of function power

```
# let rec power i n =
let i_times = (*) i in
iterate n i_times 1;;
val power : int -> int -> int = <fun>
# power 2 8;;
- : int = 256
```

#### Outline

- History
- Values
- let statement, functions
- Blocks, name spaces
- Recursion
- Polymorphism
- Pattern-matching
- Types in functional languages
- Higher-order functions
- Trees

## Example: Binary search tree

```
# type 'a bin_tree =
    Empty
    | Node of 'a bin_tree * 'a * 'a bin_tree ;;
# let t = Node (Node (Empty,2,Empty), 5, Node (Empty,7,Empty));;
val t : int bin_tree = Node (Node (Empty, 2, Empty), 5, Node (Empty, 7, Empty))
```

# Example: Binary search tree

```
# let rec member x = function
    Empty -> false
| Node(_,e,_) when e=x -> true
| Node(I,_,r) -> member x I || member x r;;
val member : 'a -> 'a bin_tree -> bool = <fun>
```

```
# let rec member x = function
    Empty -> false
| Node(_,e,_) when e=x -> true
| Node(I,v,r) when x<v -> member x I
|_ -> member x r;;
val member : 'a -> 'a bin_tree -> bool = <fun>
```

```
# let rec height = function
    Empty -> 0
    | Node( I, _, r ) -> 1 + max (height I) (height r);;
val height : 'a bin_tree -> int = <fun>
# height a;;
- : int = 9
```

## Example: Binary search tree

```
# let rec list_of_tree = function
    Empty -> []
    | Node(lb, r, rb) -> (list_of_tree lb) @ (r :: (list_of_tree rb)) ;;
val list_of_tree : 'a bin_tree -> 'a list = <fun>
```

```
# let rec tree_of_list = function
[] -> Empty
    | h :: t -> insert h (tree_of_list t) ;;
val tree_of_list : 'a list -> 'a bin_tree = <fun>
```

## Example: Binary search tree

```
# let t = tree_of_list [1;3;5;7;2;6;4];;
val t : int bin_tree =
Node (Node (Node (Empty, 1, Empty), 2, Node (Empty, 3, Empty)), 4,
Node (Node (Empty, 5, Empty), 6, Node (Empty, 7, Empty)))
```

```
# let sort x = list_of_tree (tree_of_list x) ;;
val sort : 'a list -> 'a list = <fun>
# sort [5; 8; 2; 7; 1; 0; 3; 6; 9; 4] ;;
- : int list = [0; 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9]
```