

First Exam
CS 3366 Programming Languages

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Before reading further, please arrange to have an empty seat on either side of you. Now that you are seated, please write your name **on the back** of this exam.

This is a closed-notes and closed-book exam. Computers, calculators, and books are prohibited.

- Partial credit will be given so be sure to show your work.
- Feel free to write helper functions if you need them.
- **Please write neatly.**

Problem	Points	Out Of
1		7
2		6
3		7
Total		20

1. (7 Points): Context-Free Grammars

JavaScript is king of the hill in web programming. JavaScript objects can be created using record notation. A slight variation of this notation, JavaScript Object Notation (JSON), has become a standard language for data exchange.

JSON forms are made up of key/value pairs where the keys are specified as strings and the values can be strings, numbers, booleans, JSON forms or lists of JSON values. For example

```
{ "name" : "Alice",  
  "eyog" : 2017,  
  "classes" : [ {"dept" : "CSCI", "number" : 3366, "passfail" : true},  
                 {"dept" : "ECON", "number" : 2234, "passfail" : false}],  
  "clubs" : []  
}
```

Assuming the existence of terminal symbols **String**, **Boolean** and **Number**, give a context-free grammar for JSON forms. Use the symbol **JSON** as your start symbol. Note that records and lists can both be empty.

Answer:

```
JSON      ::= { } | { Bindings }  
Bindings ::= Binding | Binding , Bindings  
Binding  ::= String : Value  
Value    ::= String | Number | Boolean | JSON | List  
List     ::= [ ] | [ Values ]  
Values   ::= Value | Value , Values
```

2. (6 Points): Evaluation

This question is about the operational semantics of Venus. Figure 1 shows a *call-by-value* semantics for Venus. The axiom system defines an evaluation function as shown in the caption. Let $A_0 = \epsilon$ be the empty environment and let E be the following Venus program:

`let x : int = 2 in let y : int = x in x + y`

Is $(A_0, E, 4)$ in eval_V ? If not, why not. If so, prove it by showing a derivation.

Answer:

Yes it is. Let A_x abbreviate $A_0[x \mapsto 2]$ and A_y abbreviate $A_x[y \mapsto 2]$. We omit the type annotations.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{A_0 \vdash 2 \Downarrow 2} \quad \frac{A_x(x) = 2}{A_x \vdash x \Downarrow 2} \quad \frac{A_y(x) = 2 \quad A_y(y) = 2}{A_y \vdash x \Downarrow 2 \quad ; \quad A_y \vdash y \Downarrow 2 \quad ; \quad 2 + 2 = 4} \\
 \frac{}{A_0 \vdash x = 2 \Rightarrow A_x \quad ;} \quad \frac{A_x \vdash y = x \Rightarrow A_y \quad ; \quad A_y \vdash x + y \Downarrow 4}{A_x \vdash \text{let } y = x \text{ in } x + y \Downarrow 4} \\
 \hline
 A_0 \vdash \text{let } x = 2 \text{ in let } y = x \text{ in } x + y \Downarrow 4
 \end{array}$$

Figure 2 shows a *call-by-name* semantics for Venus. The system defines an evaluation function eval_N as shown in the caption. Let $A_0 = \epsilon$ be the empty environment and let **E** be the program from before:

let $x : \text{int} = 2$ **in** **let** $y : \text{int} = x$ **in** $x + y$

Is $(A_0, \mathbf{E}, 4)$ in eval_N ? If not, why not. If so, prove it by showing a derivation.

Answer:

Yes it is. Let C abbreviate Closure, let A_x abbreviate $A_0[x \mapsto C(A_0, 2)]$ and A_y abbreviate $A_x[y \mapsto C(A_x, x)]$. We omit the type annotations.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{\frac{\frac{\frac{A_x(x) = C(A_0, 2); \quad \overline{A_0 \vdash 2 \Downarrow 2}}{A_x \vdash x \Downarrow 2}}{A_y(y) = C(A_x, x); \quad \overline{A_x \vdash x \Downarrow 2}}{\dots; \quad \overline{A_y \vdash y \Downarrow 2}}; \dots}{\overline{A_x \vdash y = x \Rightarrow A_y} \quad ; \quad \overline{A_y \vdash x + y \Downarrow 4}}{\overline{A_0 \vdash x = 2 \Rightarrow A_x} \quad ; \quad \overline{A_x \vdash \text{let } y = x \text{ in } x + y \Downarrow 4}}{\overline{A_0 \vdash \text{let } x = 2 \text{ in let } y = x \text{ in } x + y \Downarrow 4}}
 \end{array}$$

3. (7 Points): Implementation

The defining characteristic of a variable is that it can be replaced. Let E_1 and E_2 be Venus-programs. The notation $E_1[x := E_2]$ denotes E_1 with free occurrences of x replaced by E_2 .

$$\begin{aligned}
V[x := E] &\equiv V \\
y[x := E] &\equiv y \\
x[x := E] &\equiv E \\
(E_1 \text{ op } E_2)[x := E] &\equiv (E_1[x := E] \text{ op } E_2[x := E]) \\
i2r(E_1)[x := E_2] &\equiv i2r(E_1[x := E_2]) \\
r2i(E_1)[x := E_2] &\equiv r2i(E_1[x := E_2]) \\
(\text{let } x = E_1 \text{ in } E_2)[x := E_3] &\equiv (\text{let } x = E_1[x := E_3] \text{ in } E_2) \\
(\text{let } y = E_1 \text{ in } E_2)[x := E_3] &\equiv (\text{let } z = E_1[x := E_3] \text{ in } E_2[y := z][x := E_3]) \text{ z fresh}
\end{aligned}$$

With the following representation of Venus-programs

```

type t =
  | Literal of {typ : Typ.t; bits : int}
  | Var of Symbol.t
  | App of {rator : t; rands : t list}
  | Let of {decl : decl; body : t}
and
  decl = VarDef of {bv : Symbol.t; defn : t}

```

write an OCaml function `val substitute : t -> Symbol.t -> t -> t`. You may assume the existence of

```

val Symbol.fresh : unit -> Symbol.t
val Symbol.equal : Symbol.t -> Symbol.t -> boolean

```

Answer:

```

let rec substitute e1 x e2 =
  match e1 with
  | Literal _ -> e1
  | Var y -> if (Symbol.equal x y) then e2 else e1
  | App {rator; rands} ->
    App {rator = rator; rands = List.map (fun e1 -> substitute e1 x e2) rands}
  | Let {decl = VarDef {bv; defn}; body} ->
    let defn' = substitute defn x e2
    in
    if (Symbol.equal bv x) then
      Let {decl = VarDef {bv = bv; defn = defn'}; body = body}
    else
      let z = Symbol.fresh() in
      let body' = substitute body bv (Var z) in
      let body'' = substitute body' x e2
      in
      Let {decl = VarDef {bv = z; defn = defn'}; body = body''}

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$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{}{A \vdash i \Downarrow i} (\text{int}) \qquad \frac{}{A \vdash r \Downarrow r} (\text{real}) \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash E \Downarrow i; \text{i2r}(i) = r}{A \vdash \text{i2r}(E) \Downarrow r} (\text{i2r}) \qquad \frac{A \vdash E \Downarrow r; \text{r2i}(r) = i}{A \vdash \text{r2i}(E) \Downarrow i} (\text{r2i}) \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash E_1 \Downarrow V_1; A \vdash E_2 \Downarrow V_2; \text{Apply}_2(o, V_1, V_2) = V}{A \vdash E_1 \circ E_2 \Downarrow V} (\text{BinOp}) \\
\\
\frac{A(x) = V}{A \vdash x \Downarrow V} (\text{Id}) \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash D \Rightarrow A'; A' \vdash E \Downarrow V}{A \vdash \text{let } D \text{ in } E \Downarrow V} (\text{Let}) \qquad \frac{A \vdash E \Downarrow V}{A \vdash x : \tau = E \Rightarrow A[x \mapsto V]} (\text{Decl})
\end{array}$$

Figure 1: $\text{eval}_V = \{(A, E, V) \mid A \vdash E \Downarrow V\}$.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{}{A \vdash i \Downarrow i} \text{(int)} \qquad \frac{}{A \vdash r \Downarrow r} \text{(real)} \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash E \Downarrow i; \text{i2r}(i) = r}{A \vdash \text{i2r}(E) \Downarrow r} \text{(i2r)} \qquad \frac{A \vdash E \Downarrow r; \text{r2i}(i) = i}{A \vdash \text{r2i}(E) \Downarrow i} \text{(r2i)} \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash E_1 \Downarrow V_1; A \vdash E_2 \Downarrow V_2; \text{Apply}_2(o, V_1, V_2) = V}{A \vdash E_1 \circ E_2 \Downarrow V} \text{(BinOp)} \\
\\
\frac{A(x) = \text{Closure}(A', E); A' \vdash E \Downarrow V}{A \vdash x \Downarrow V} \text{(Id)} \\
\\
\frac{A \vdash D \Rightarrow A'; A' \vdash E \Downarrow V}{A \vdash \text{let } D \text{ in } E \Downarrow V} \text{(Let)} \\
\\
\frac{}{A \vdash x : \tau = E \Rightarrow A[x \mapsto \text{Closure}(A, E)]} \text{(Decl)}
\end{array}$$

Figure 2: $\text{eval}_N = \{(A, E, V) \mid A \vdash E \Downarrow V\}$.