# Haskell Lecture 3

Recursion and More

# Loops in Haskell

- There are none
  - No while loops
  - No for loops

## Triangle Numbers

- The nth triangle number is computed by adding the integers 1 to n.
- In C (or Java), implement using a for loop
- In Haskell, implement using Recursion

# Recursive Def. of tri(n)

- Base
  - if n < 0, tri(n) = -1 -- do this for completeness
  - if n == 0, tri(n) = 0
- Recursive part
  - rightharpoonup tri(n) = n + tri(n-1)
- See tri1.hs (guards) and tri2.hs (if then else)

## Primitive Recursion

- Define value of function at 0 (or other base)
- Define how to get from value at n-1 to value at n:
  - fun n
  - n == 0 = (base value)
  - | n > 0 = (expression using fcn(n-1))
- Above is a template
- ▶ In class, write function for power3, (3 raised to int power n)

## General Recursion

- Define a function in terms of base value(s) and
- A recursive formula calling function with smaller value(s)
- Fibonacci function is an example, see fib.hs
- This function is not a good solution to problem

## Power of 2

- Note that if n is even, then  $2^n = (2^m)^2$  where m is n/2
- Note that if n is odd, then  $2^n = (2^m)^2$  \*2 where n is  $2^m + 1$
- Write power2 function using these insights
  - Prelude functions even and odd may be useful

## Tuples

- A pair is a 2-tuple
- ◆ A triple is a 3-tuple
- An n-tuple has n elements
- In Haskell, an n-tuple has n elements, the types of each element are fixed for that defined tuple

# Naming Tuple Types

- type Person = (String, Int) -- Person is a synonym
- ldSngr :: Person
- ldSngr = ("John", 25)
- See tuple.hs for example uses

## List

- The list is an undetermined size sequence of the same type of elements
- square brackets define a list
- Haskell has many list functions defined for use
- list.hs has examples

# Prelude List Functions p. 127

- : cons operator to add element to front of list
- ++ concatenate two lists
- !! list !! n returns element n of list
- concat Make a list of lists into a list
- length number of elements in list

## Prelude List Functions Cont.

- head, last first, last element of list
- tail, init all but the first, last element of list
- replicate make a list of so many copies of item
- take take a number of element from front of list
- drop drop a number of elements from front of list

## Prelude List Functions Cont.

- splitAt split list at given position
- reverse reverse order of elements in list
- zip make a list of pairs out of a pair of lists
- unzip make a pair of lists out of a list of pairs