

Unions and Products

Concepts of Programming Languages
Lecture 7

Announcements

- » Thanks for providing feedback on the course!
- » Lectures will be more **interactive**: I will be asking more questions; we will do derivations and programming together
- » More **examples**! Each concept will be followed by an example on typing, semantic rules, and programming. More practice via **homework**.

Practice Problem 1 (Tail Recursive)

Implement the function

reverse : 'a list -> 'a list



Practice Problem 2 (Tail Recursive)

*Implement the function **double** where **double l** doubles every element of the list **l***



Homework (Tail Recursive)

Implement the function

delete_every_other : 'a list -> 'a list



Outline

- » Discuss the use of **tuples** and **records** for creating collections of data
- » Introduce **algebraic data types (ADTs)** for creating data with given "shapes"
- » Cover **parametric** and **recursive** ADTs for more general data structures

Products

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Pattern Matching on Tuples

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  match p1, p2 with  
  | (x1, y1), (x2, y2) ->  
    let x = x1 -. x2 in  
    let y = y1 -. y2 in  
    sqrt ((x *. x) +. (y *. y))
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There are no accessors for tuples

Instead we can use **pattern matching**

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We *match* on an expression e , and check if the value of e *matches* with the pattern p

Note: Patterns are not Expressions

```
<expr> ::= match <expr> with
        | <pattern> -> <expr>
        | <pattern> -> <expr>
        | ...
```

Patterns are similar to expressions, but with some key differences

They can be wildcards, they can be variables, there's a lot of possibilities ([link](#))

Advanced Pattern Matching

```
let dist ((x1, y1) : float * float) ((x2, y2) : float * float) : float =  
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Pattern matching can also be done implicitly in let-expressions and function arguments!

And we can do all this
formally!

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Practice Problem

$\emptyset \vdash \text{fun } x \rightarrow \text{match } x \text{ with } | (a, b) \rightarrow a + b : \tau$

Determine the type τ so that the above judgment is derivable from the rules below. Also give a derivation

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$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash e_1 : \text{int} \quad \Gamma \vdash e_2 : \text{int}}{\Gamma \vdash e_1 + e_2 : \text{int}} \text{ (addInt)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : \tau_1 \vdash e : \tau_2}{\Gamma \vdash \text{fun } x \rightarrow e : \tau_1 \rightarrow \tau_2} \text{ (fun)}$$

$$\frac{(v : \tau) \in \Gamma}{\Gamma \vdash v : \tau} \text{ (var)}$$



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Solution

Homework

Implement the function

```
val fill_in_steps : (int, int, int) -> int list
```

so that `fill_in_steps (a, b, c)` is the shortest list of numbers starting at `a`, ending at `c`, containing `b` and having consecutive adjacent elements

example: `fill_in_steps (1, 4, -2) = [1;2;3;4;3;2;1;0;-1;-2]`



Records

```
type point = { x_cord : float ; y_cord : float }  
let origin : point = { x_cord = 0. ; y_cord = 0. }
```

```
type user = {  
  name : string ;  
  email : string ;  
  num_posts : int ;  
}
```

Records are *unordered* *labeled* fixed-length heterogeneous collections of data

They are useful for organizing large collections of data (akin to database records)

Record Syntax (Informal)

```
type record_ty =  
  {  
    field1 : ty1;  
    field2 : ty2;  
    ...  
    fieldn : tyn;  
  }
```

```
let record_expr : record_ty =  
  {  
    field1 = expr1;  
    field2 = expr2;  
    ...  
    fieldn = exprn;  
  }
```

For a record, we have to specify the type of each field

When we construct a record, every field must have a value

Accessors

```
type point = { x_cord : float ; y_cord : float }
```

```
let dist (p : point) (q : point) =  
    let xd = p.x_cord -. q.x_cord in  
    let yd = p.y_cord -. q.y_cord in  
    sqrt (xd *. xd +. yd *. yd)
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Records support **dot-notation**

(we can also access records by pattern matching)

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Data in functional languages are immutable. This returns a new record with the update

demo
(tuples and records)

Homework

- » Define formal syntax rules for records
- » Define formal typing rules for records
- » Define formal semantics rules for records



Unions

Second Greatest Feature of OCaml

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  wildcard pattern | _ -> true
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Data-Carrying Variants

```
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type os  
  = BSD of int * int  
  | Linux of linux_distro * int  
  | MacOS of int  
  | Windows of int
```

```
let supported (sys : os) : bool =  
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Practice Problem

```
let area (s : shape) =  
  match s with  
  | Rect r -> r.base *. r.height  
  | Triangle { sides = (a, b) ; angle } -> Float.sin angle *. a *. b  
  | Circle r -> r *. r *. Float.pi
```

*Define the variant **shape** which makes this function type-check*



What about variable
length data?

Recursive ADTs

Greatest Feature of OCaml

Example: Lists

```
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  = Nil  
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```

```
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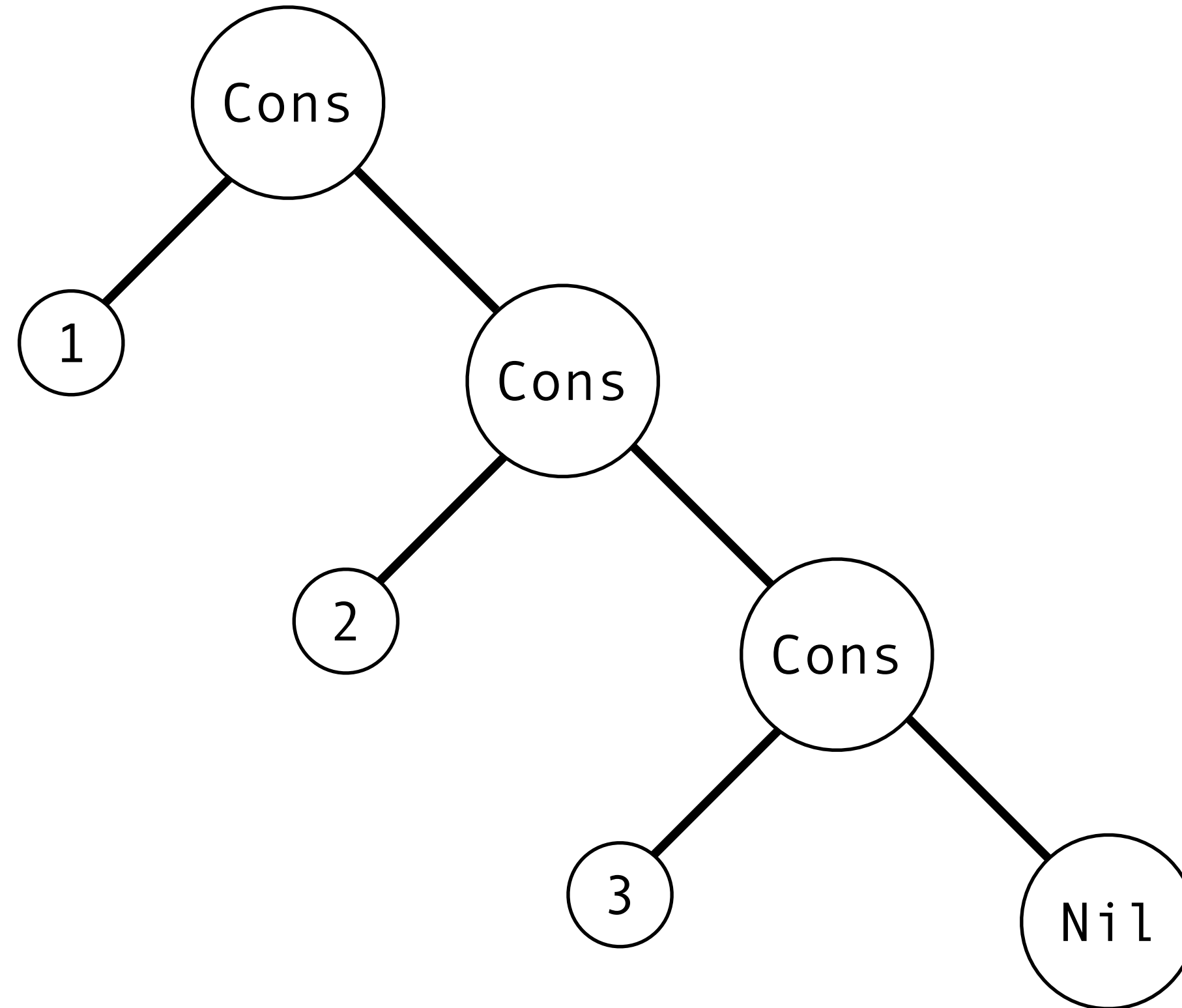
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The Picture

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We think of values of recursive variants as **trees** with constructors as nodes and carried data as leaves

demo

(snoc for intlist)

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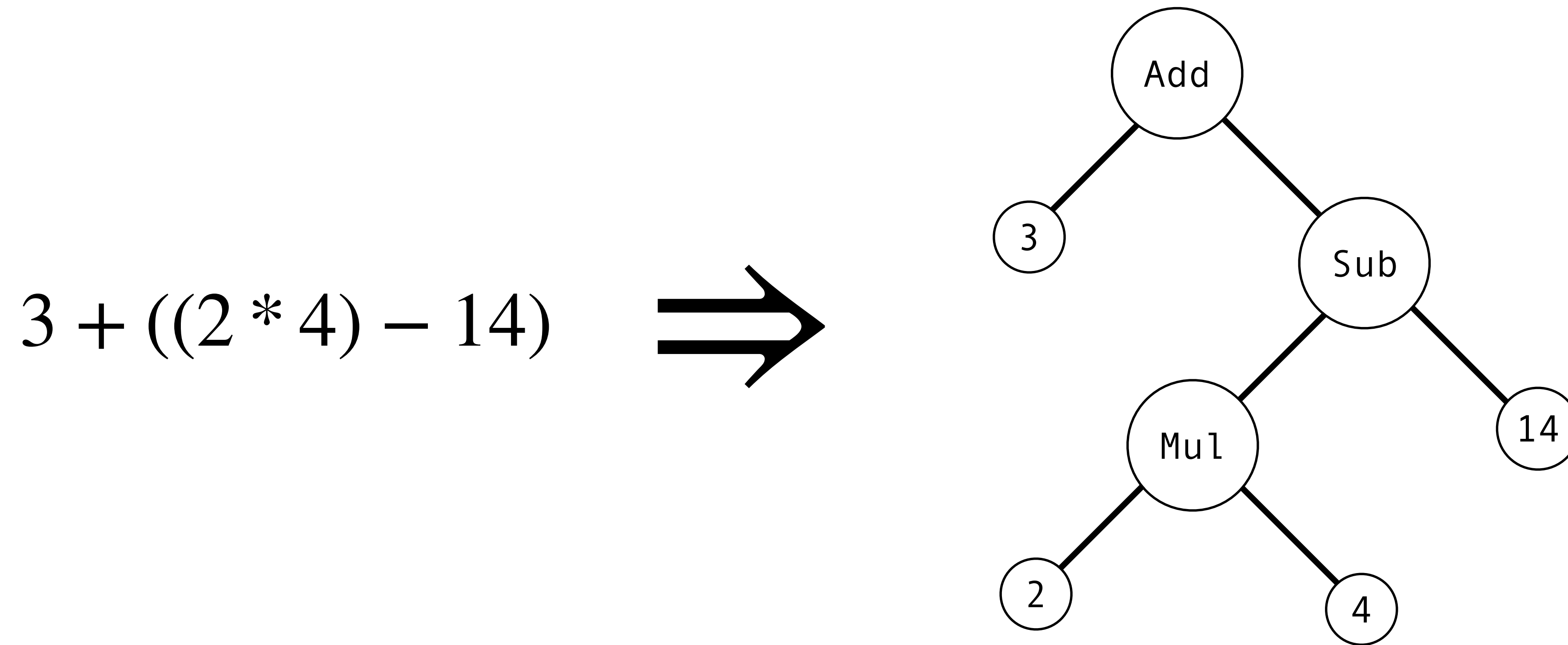
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This will help us separate the tasks of **evaluation** and **parsing**

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We can represent an expression abstractly as a **tree** with operations as nodes and number values as leaves

A More Interesting Example: Expressions

```
type expr
  = Val of int
  | Add of expr * expr
  | Sub of expr * expr
  | Mul of expr * expr
```

```
let _ = Add (Val 3, Sub (Mul (Val 2, Val 4), Val 14))
```

Which means we can represent it as a recursive variant!

Parametrized ADTs

Parameterized Variants

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type 'a mylist  
  = Nil  
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Note. Because of **type-inference**, we rarely have to think about this

We 'll come back to this
next time...

Summary

Tuples, records, and ADTs help us organize data and create abstract interfaces

Recursive and parametrized ADTs give us richer structure