



ML Lab 4

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Exercise 4.1

- Write a function `flip` that flips alternate elements of a list using patterns. $[a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_n]$ should become $[a_2, a_1, \dots, a_n, a_{n-1}]$. If n is odd, leave a_n at the end.
- For instance
 - `flip [1,2,3,4,5] = [2,1,4,3,5]`
 - `flip [1,2,3,4] = [2,1,4,3]`



Solution 4.1

```
> fun flip ([]) = []  
    | flip ([x]) = [x]  
    | flip (x::y::zs) = y::x::flip(zs);  
val flip = fn: 'a list -> 'a list
```

```
> flip [1,2,3,4,5];  
val it = [2, 1, 4, 3, 5]: int list
```



Exercise 4.2

- Write a function `remove` that, given a list L and an integer i , returns L with the i^{th} element deleted. If the length of L is lower than i , return L .
- For instance
 - `remove([1],1) = []`
 - `remove([1,2,3],3) = [1,2]`
 - `remove([1,2],3) = [1,2]`



Solution 4.2

```
> fun remove ([],m) = []  
    | remove (x::xs,1) = xs  
    | remove (x::ys,i) = x:: remove (ys,i-1);  
  
> remove([1],5);  
  
val it = [1]: int list  
> remove([],4);  
  
poly: : warning: The type of (it) contains a free type  
variable. Setting it to a unique monotype.  
  
val it = []: _a list  
> remove([1],1);  
  
val it = []: int list
```



Exercise 4.3

- Write a function `square` that takes as input an integer `n` and compute the square of `n`, using patterns according to the formula

$$n^2 = (n - 1)^2 + 2n - 1$$

- For instance
 - `square(2) = 4`
 - `square(5) = 25`
 - `square(0) = 0`



Solution 4.3

```
> fun square(0) = 0
  | square(n) = square(n-1)+2*n-1;
val square = fn: int -> int
```

```
> square 0;
val it = 0: int
> square 6;
val it = 36: int
```



Exercise 4.4

- Write a function `flip` that takes as input a list of pairs of **integers** and orders each pair so that the smallest number is first, using patterns.
- For instance
 - `flip [(1,2),(4,3)] = [(1,2),(3,4)]`
 - `flip [(5,2),(4,3),(6,5),(1,2)] = [(2,5),(3,4),(5,6),(1,2)]`
 - `flip [(1,1),(1,2)] = [(1,1),(1,2)]`
 - `flip nil = nil`



Solution 4.4

```
> fun flip(nil) = nil
    | flip((x as (a:int,b))::xs) =
        if a<b then x::flip(xs) else
        (b,a)::flip(xs);

val flip = fn: (int * int) list -> (int * int)
list

> flip [(1,2),(4,3),(6,5)];
val it = [(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)]: (int * int)
list
```



Exercise 4.5

- Write a function `vowel` that takes a list of characters and returns `true` if the first element is a vowel using patterns.
- For instance
 - `vowel ["a","b"] = true`
 - `vowel ["b","c"] = false`
 - `vowel ["a"] = true`
 - `vowel nil = false`



Solution 4.5

```
> fun vowel("#a"::ys) = true
  | vowel("#e"::ys) = true
  | vowel("#i"::ys) = true
  | vowel("#o"::ys) = true
  | vowel("#u"::ys) = true
  | vowel(_) = false;
val vowel = fn: char list -> bool
```

```
> vowel ["a", "b"];
val it = true: bool
> vowel ["b", "a"];
val it = false: bool
```



Exercise 4.6

- Let us represent sets by lists. We represent a set by a list: the elements can be in any order, but without repetitions.
- Write a function `member(x, S)` to test whether `x` is a member of set `S` using patterns.
- For instance
 - `member (1, [2,3]) = false`
 - `member (2, [2,3,1]) = true`
 - `member (5, nil) = false`
 - `member ("b", ["aa", "c"]) = false`



Solution 4.6

```
> fun member(_,nil) = false
    | member(x,y::ys) =
      (x=y orelse member(x,ys));
val member = fn: ''a * ''a list -> bool
```

```
> member (5,[6,7,5]);
val it = true: bool
> member (5,[6,7,8]);
val it = false: bool
```



Exercise 4.7

- Write a function `delete` that deletes an element from a set `delete(x, S)` using patterns – if the set contains the element. If the item is not contained in the set, the function returns the set itself.
- For instance
 - `delete(1, [2,3,4]) = [2,3,4]`
 - `delete (1, [2,1,3]) = [2,3]`
 - `delete (1, nil) = nil`
 - `delete ("a", ["c", "b", "a"]) = ["c", "b"]`



Solution 4.7

```
> fun delete (a,[]) = []  
    | delete (b,c::ys) = if b=c then ys  
                          else c::delete(b,ys);  
val delete = fn: ''a * ''a list -> ''a list
```

```
> delete (2,[3,4,2,5]);  
val it = [3, 4, 5]: int list  
> delete (2,[3,4,5]);  
val it = [3, 4, 5]: int list
```



Exercise 4.8

- Write a function `insert` that inserts an element `x` into a set `S` (in whatever order) using patterns. Since `S` is a set, although a list is used for representing it, it has to be added only if it is not already present in the set.
- For instance
 - `insert (2, [3,4,5]) = [3,4,5,2]`
 - `insert (3, [3,4,5]) = [3,4,5]`
 - `insert (2, nil) = [2]`
 - `insert ("a", ["b","c"]) = ["b","c", "a"]`



Solution 4.8

```
> fun insert(x,nil) = [x]
    | insert(x,S as y::ys) =
        if x=y then S else y::insert(x,ys);
val insert = fn: ''a * ''a list -> ''a list
```

```
> insert (2,[3,4,5]);
val it = [3, 4, 5, 2]: int list
> insert (3,[3,4,5]);
val it = [3, 4, 5]: int list
```



Exercise 4.9

- Write a function `insertAll` that takes an element `a` and a list of lists `L` and inserts `a` at the front of each of these lists.
- For example
 - `insertAll (1, [[2,3], [], [3]]) =`
`[[1,2,3], [1], [1,3]]`
 - `insertAll (1, nil) = nil`
 - `insertAll`
`(#"c", [#"a", #"t"], [#"a", #"r"], nil) =`
`[[#"c", #"a", #"t"], [#"c", #"a", #"r"],`
`[#"c"]]`



Solution 4.9

```
> fun insertAll(a,nil) = nil
    | insertAll(a,L::Ls) =
      (a::L)::insertAll(a,Ls);
val insertAll = fn: 'a * 'a list list -> 'a list
list
```

```
> insertAll (1,[[2,3],[4,5,6],nil]);
val it = [[1, 2, 3], [1, 4, 5, 6], [1]]: int
list list
```



Exercise 4.10

- Suppose that sets are represented by lists. Write a function `powerSet` that takes a list `L`, and produces as output the power set of the list
- If S is a set, the power set of S is the set of all subsets S' such that $S' \subseteq S$
- You can use support functions, if needed
- For instance
 - `powerSet([1,2,3]) = [[], [1], [2], [3], [1,2], [1,3], [2,3], [1,2,3]]`
 - `powerSet ["a","c"] = [[], ["c"], ["a"], ["a","c"]]`
 - `powerSet nil = [[]]` (do not care about type warning)



Solution 4.10

```
> fun powerSet(nil) = [nil]
  | powerSet(x::xs) =
    powerSet(xs)@insertAll(x,powerSet(xs));
val powerSet = fn: 'a list -> 'a list list

> powerSet [1,2,3];
val it = [[], [3], [2], [2, 3], [1], [1, 3], [1,
2], [1, 2, 3]]:
int list list
```



Exercise 4.11

- Write a function `prodDiff` that given a list of reals $[a_1, \dots, a_n]$ compute

$$\prod_{i < j} (a_i - a_j)$$

- You can use support functions, if needed
- For instance
 - `prodDiff([1.0, 2.0, 3.0]) = (1.0 - 2.0) * (1.0 - 3.0) * (2.0 - 3.0) = -2.0`
 - `prodDiff (nil) = 1.0`



Solution 4.11

```
> fun prodDiff1(_,nil) = 1.0
  | prodDiff1(a,b::bs) = (a-b)*prodDiff1(a,bs);
> fun prodDiff(nil) = 1.0
  | prodDiff(b::bs) =
  prodDiff1(b,bs)*prodDiff(bs);
val prodDiff = fn: real list -> real

> prodDiff [1.0,1.1,1.2,1.3,1.4];
val it = 2.88E~8: real
```



Exercise 4.12

- Write a function `is_one` that returns “one” if the parameter is 1 and “anything else” otherwise, using the construct `case` and pattern matching with `fun` and `fn`.
- For instance
 - `is_one 1 = "one"`
 - `is_one 3 = "anything else"`



Solution 4.12

```
val is_one = fn x => case x of  
    1 => "one"  
    | _ => "anything else ";
```

```
> is_one 1;  
val it = "one": string  
> is_one 3;  
val it = "anything else": string
```



Solution 4.12

```
val is_one = fn  
  1 => "one"  
  | _ => "anything else";
```

```
> is_one 1;  
val it = "one": string  
> is_one 3;  
val it = "anything else": string
```

- This would be wrong ...why?

```
val f = fn  
  _ => "anything else";  
  | 1 => "one"
```

It would always match
anything else