

ML Lab 3

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Exercise 3.1

- Write a function `fact` that computes the factorial of n ,

$$n! = 1 * 2 * \dots * n$$

where $n \geq 1$. It does not need to work correctly for small n .

- For instance
 - `fact 1 = 1`
 - `fact 10 = 3628800`



Solution 3.1

```
> fun fact(n) =  
  if n=1 then 1  
  else n * fact(n-1);  
val fact = fn: int -> int
```

```
> fact 1;  
val it = 1: int  
> fact 10;  
val it = 3628800: int  
> fact 100;  
Exception- Overflow raised
```

It exceeds the maxInt



Exercise 3.2

- Write a function `cyclei` that, given an integer i and a list $L = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$, cycles L i times, i.e., produce

$$[a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_n, a_1, \dots, a_i]$$

- For instance
 - `cyclei([1,2,3,4],2) = [3,4,1,2]`
 - `cyclei(["a","b","c","d","e"],4) = ["e","a","b","c","d"]`



Solution 3.2

```
> fun cycle L = tl(L)@[hd(L)];

> fun cyclei (i,L) =
    if i=0 then L
    else cyclei(i-1, cycle(L));
val cyclei = fn: 'a list * int -> 'a list

> cyclei([1,2,3,4],2);
val it = [3, 4, 1, 2]: int list
```



Exercise 3.3

- Write a function `duplicate` that duplicates each element of a list, that is given the list $L = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$, produce the list $[a_1, a_1, a_2, a_2, \dots, a_n, a_n]$
- For instance
 - `duplicate([1,2,3,4]) = [1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4]`
 - `duplicate(["a","b","c"]) = ["a","a","b","b","c","c"]`



Solution 3.3

```
> fun duplicate(L) =  
    if L=[] then []  
    else hd(L)::(hd(L)::duplicate(tl(L)));  
val duplicate = fn: ''a list -> ''a list
```

```
> fun duplicate2(L) =  
    if L=[] then []  
    else [hd(L),(hd(L))@duplicate(tl(L))];  
val duplicate = fn: ''a list -> ''a list
```

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



Exercise 3.4

- Write a function `len` that computes the length of a list.
- For instance
 - `len([1,2,3,4]) = 4`
 - `len(["a","b","c"]) = 3`



Solution 3.4

```
> fun len(L) =  
    if L=nil then 0  
    else 1+len(tl(L));  
val len = fn: ''a list -> int
```

```
> len [1,2,3,4];  
val it = 4: int
```



Exercise 3.5

- Write a function `pow` that computes x^i where x is a real, and i a non-negative integer. It doesn't need to work for $i < 0$
- For instance
 - `pow(2.1,3) = 9.261`
 - `pow(2.0,3) = 9.0`



Solution 3.5

```
> fun pow(x:real, i:int) = if i=0 then 1.0 else  
x*pow(x,i-1);  
val pow = fn: real * int -> real
```

```
> pow(2.1,3);  
val it = 9.261: real  
> pow(2.0,3);  
val it = 8.0: real
```



Exercise 3.6

- Write a function `maxList` that computes the largest (in a lexicographical sense) element of a list of strings, e.g., (`["a", "abc", "ab"]` \rightarrow `"abc"`). It doesn't need to work for empty lists.
- Note that in the lexicographical order:
 - `> "abc">"ab";`
`val it = true: bool`
 - `> "abc">"abb";`
`val it = true: bool`
 - `> "ab">"a";`
`val it = true: bool`
- For instance
 - `maxList(["a", "abc", "ab"]) = "abc"`

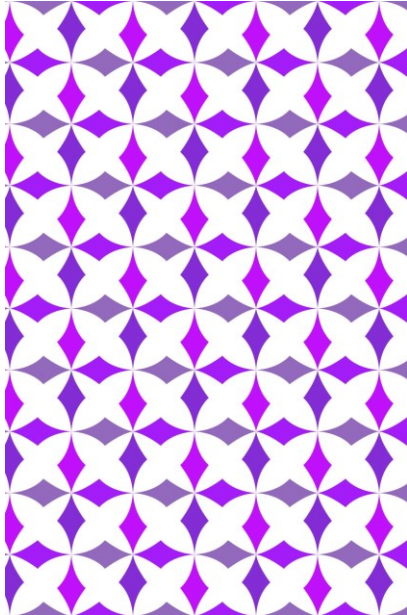


Solution 3.6

```
> fun maxList(L: string list) =  
    if tl(L)=nil then hd(L)  
    else  
        if hd(L)>hd(tl(L)) then maxList(hd(L)::tl(tl(L)))  
        else maxList(tl(L));  
val maxList = fn: string list -> string  
  
> maxList(["a","abc","ab"]);  
val it = "abc": string
```



Patterns in ML



Function definition: patterns

- Very powerful mechanism for defining functions
- A bit like a generalization of “case” or “switch” statements in procedural languages
- Example

`x :: xs`

matches any non-empty list, with `x` set to the head and `xs` to the tail

- Function definition uses a sequence of patterns. The first that matches the argument determines the produced value

```
fun <identifier> (<first pattern>) = <first expression>
  | <identifier> (<second pattern>) = <second expression>
  ...
  | <identifier> (<last pattern>) = <last expression>;
```

Example: reverse a list

- Using patterns

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

- Without patterns

```
> fun reverse L =
    if L = nil then nil
    else reverse (tl L) @ [hd L];
val reverse = fn: ''a list -> ''a list
```


List of alternatives

- Note: The **list of alternatives must be exhaustive**, as with `if-then` clauses
 - If the list is not exhaustive, many implementations of ML only give a **warning**, with an error only if we actually use a parameter that does not match any of the possibilities

```
> fun reverse (nil) = nil;
poly: : warning: Matches are not exhaustive. Found near fun
reverse (nil) = nil
val reverse = fn: 'a list -> 'b list
> reverse([3]);
poly: : warning: The type of (it) contains a free type variable.
Setting it to a unique monotype.
Exception- Match raised
```

Reverse a list with patterns

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

> reverse([1,2,3])
```

We even do not try to match the second pattern

xs	nil
x	3
xs	[3]
x	2
xs	[2,3]
x	1
reverse	Definition of reverse

Added in call to
reverse (nil)

Added in call to
reverse ([3])

Added in call to
reverse ([2,3])

Added in call to
reverse ([1,2,3])

Environment
Before the call



Exercise 3.7

- Write the factorial function `fact` using patterns.
- For instance
 - `fact 1 = 1`
 - `Fact 10 = 3628800`



Solution 3.7

```
> fun fact(1) = 1
    | fact(n) = n*fact(n-1);
val fact = fn: int -> int
```

```
> fact 1;
val it = 1: int
> fact 10;
val it = 3628800: int
```



Exercise 3.8

- Write a function `cycle1` that cycles a list by one position using patterns. If the list is empty, return the empty list.
- For instance
 - `cycle1 [1,2,3,4,5] = [2,3,4,5,1]`
 - `cycle1 [1] = [1]`
 - `cycle1 nil = nil`



Solution 3.8

```
> fun cycle1 (nil) = nil  
    | cycle (x::xs) = xs @ [x];
```

```
> cycle1 [1];  
val it = [1]: int list
```

```
> cycle1 [1,2,3];  
val it = [2, 3, 1]: int list
```



Exercise 3.9

- Write a function `cycleip` that, given an integer i and a list $L = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$, cycles L i times, i.e., produce

$$[a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_n, a_1, \dots, a_i]$$

using patterns

- For instance
 - `cycleip([1,2,3,4],2) = [3,4,1,2]`
 - `cycleip(["a","b","c","d","e"],4) = ["e","a","b","c","d"]`



Solution 3.9

```
> fun cycleip (L,0) = L
    | cycleip (L,i) = cycleip (cycle(L),i-1);
val cycleip = fn: 'a list * int -> 'a list

> cycleip([1,2,3,4],2);
val it = [3, 4, 1, 2]: int list
```




Exercise 3.10

- Write a function `duplicatep` that duplicates each element of a list using patterns.
- For instance
 - `duplicatep [1,2,3,4] = [1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4]`
 - `duplicatep [2.0] = [2.0,2.0]`



Solution 3.10

```
> fun duplicatep(nil) = nil  
    | duplicatep(x::xs) = x::x::duplicatep(xs);  
val duplicatep = fn: 'a list -> 'a list
```

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



Exercise 3.11

- Write a function `power` that computes x^i where x is an integer, and i a non-negative integer. It doesn't need to work for $i < 0$
- For instance
 - `power(2.1,3) = 9.261`
 - `power(2.0,3) = 9.0`



Solution 3.11

```
> fun power (x,0) = 1
    | power (x,i) = x * power (x,i-1);
val power = fn: int * int -> int
```

```
> power (4,0);
val it = 1: int
> power (4,3);
val it = 64: int
```



Exercise 3.12

- Write a function `maxList` that computes the largest of a list of reals, assuming that the list is not empty, using patterns.
- For instance
 - `maxList [2] = 2`
 - `maxList [2,5,4] = 5`



Solution 3.12

```
> fun maxList([x:real]) = x
  | maxList(x::y::zs) =
    if x<y then maxList(y::zs)
    else maxList(x::zs);
```

poly: : warning: Matches are not exhaustive.

```
val maxList = fn: real list -> real
```

```
> maxList [2.0];
```

```
val it = 2.0: real
```

```
> maxList [2.0,3.1,2.7];
```

```
val it = 3.1: real
```